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Georgia Army National Guard Officer Candidate School

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Our History



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The National Guard is a unique and essential element of the U.S. military. Founded in 1636 as a citizen force organized to protect families and towns from hostile attacks. Today's National Guard Soldiers hold civilian jobs or attend college while maintaining their military training part time, always ready to defend the American way of life in the event of an emergency.

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Our Mission

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National Guard Soldiers serve both community and country. Our versatility enables us to respond to domestic emergencies, overseas combat missions, counterdrug efforts, reconstruction missions and much more. The Guard always responds with speed, strength and efficiency, helping to defend American freedom and ideals.

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SKILLS TO BE A LEADER



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Officer Candidate School (OCS) is an intense leadership training ground. It is physically and mentally challenging, and not everyone is cut out for it. But those who are accepted, and make it through, agree it is one of the most rewarding experiences of their lives. Whether you are a first-time Soldier or have prior military experience, OCS will transform you into an effective leader.

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State OCS (Traditional)



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Where: Your state's Regional Training Institute

When: One weekend a month and two two-week periods for 16-18 months



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Accelerated OCS



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Where: School locations vary by season and state

When: Eight weeks straight, seven days a week,
winter or summer session



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Federal OCS



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Where: Fort Benning, GA

When: 14 weeks, courses offered year-round



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Mandatory Requirements



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To join the National Guard without prior service, you must meet these mandatory requirements:

- Be between the ages of 17 and 35
- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Be at least a junior in high school, or have a high school diploma or a GED certificate
- Meet medical, physical and moral requirements

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