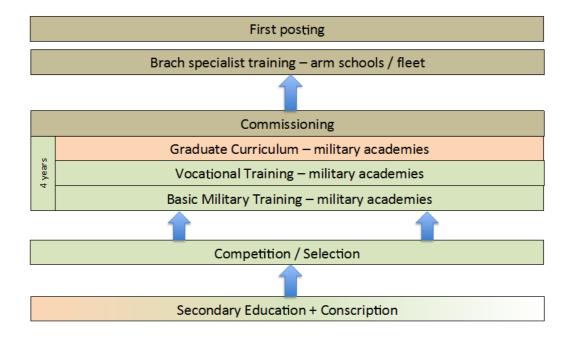


GREECE

How to Become a Military Officer in the Greek Armed Forces:



The basic education and training of the officers of the Greek Army, Navy and Air Force is primarily the responsibility of three respective academies. The national conscript service contributes also to the training of the future military elites.

These academies, which are used to educate and train officers also for foreign armed forces, are now on the way to integrate the *acquis* of the European Higher Education Area in order to obtain the instruments, which will allow them developing further their exchange capacities.

These academies, indeed, provide academic curricula at the first cycle level. In addition, the Army Academy proposes postgraduate curricula as a part of the intermediate – or advanced – education of the Greek officers. The Air Force Academy also intends to develop its educational offer in proposing in the future a master curriculum on *flight safety*.

The vocational training of the future Greek and Cypriot military elites, since they are fully trained in the Greek institutions, is also assured by the academies, in cooperation with the specialist training centres.

AIR FORCE

Hellenic Air Force Academy

(http://www.haf.gr/el/career/academies/si/)

Academic curricula

Military specialisations

Bachelor	Bachelor in Aviation Sciences Specialisations for pilots, engineers and air defence controllers
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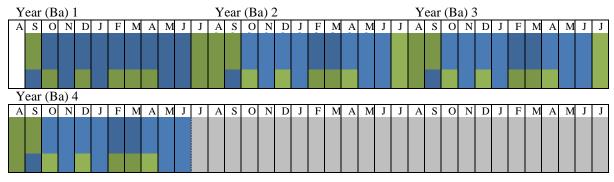
Pilots	Branch School (Kalamata)
Aeronautical / Telecommunications and Electronics / Civil Engineering	Branch School (Kavouri, Nea Liosia, Athens)
Air Defence Controllers	Branch School (Dekelia, Athens)

Number of cadets first year: 70

Total number of cadets: 330

Organisation of the basic officers' education

Bachelor:



Integration in the European Higher Education Area

Academic education:

Credit system		Learning	Internal quality		External quality assurance		Recognition	
			outcomes	assurance n	nechanisms	mechanisms		of education
			(described	Following the				taken abroad
			and used)	European				
			ŕ	Standards and	Involving the	National	Involving	
Nature	Ba	Ma		Guidelines	students	accreditation	EQAR agencies	
ECTS	240	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y

Vocational training:

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Credit system			Learning outcomes	Internal quality assurance mechanisms		National accreditation	Recognition of training done
Nature	Ba	Ma	(described and used)	Following the European Standards and Involving the Guidelines trainees			abroad
Specific	120	N/A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N

<u>Doctoral studies</u>	Forefront expertise and research fields of the main institution				
Hellenic Air Force Academy does not offer doctoral level postgraduate	The Hellenic Air Force Academy does not have a formal structure for organising research internally.				
degree.					

An exchange culture

Number of military students sent abroad on an exchange in 2013-2014: 8

The Hellenic Air Force Academy is following a long tradition and has created a solid culture of exchanging, hosting and training foreign officers. In particular, Greece trains on a regularly basis cadets of the European Union countries like Cyprus – and from a numerous countries worldwide. With graduates from over 35 countries so far, the Hellenic Air Force Academy represents a lighthouse of the Hellenic Air Force morals, culture and ethics. The Hellenic Air Force Academy is particularly active in the framework of the EUAFA and the Initiative for the exchange of young officers.

Context:

Erasmus	Member of fora	Use of the	Joint degrees with European
charter		framework	military institutions
signed		arrangement	
N	EUAFA	Y	N

Practice:

	Acad	demic		Vo	ocation	al	Practice of	Common modules proposed	Offer of
Sends students	Hosts students	Exchanges staff	Exchanges with civilian	Sends students	Hosts students	Exchanges staff	full- curriculum mobility		"international programmes"
Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	CSDP	N

Learning of, learning in foreign languages

During their curriculum at the Hellenic Air Force Academy, the future officers and their counterparts following the same initial education must learn or improve their English. In addition, they may choose to study a second foreign language. The Academy progressively develops its offer of vocational training to be provided in English, notwithstanding the teaching of regular international standards and operating procedures.

Command of the English at the end of basic education and training (CEFRL/STANAG 6001):

	Speak	Write	Read	Listen/Understand
Bachelor curriculum	B2	B2	B2	B2

Before and beyond basic education

The future military officers are recruited among the young nationals who have graduated from secondary education (high school) and succeed at the National Exams Scheme. On top of that, candidates must comply with medical, physical and psychological standards.

After graduation the Hellenic Air Force Officers receive additional advanced education and training according to their specialization at the Hellenic Air Staff and Command College (Captain), the Supreme Joint War College (Lieutenant Colonel) and the Hellenic National Defence College (Colonel).