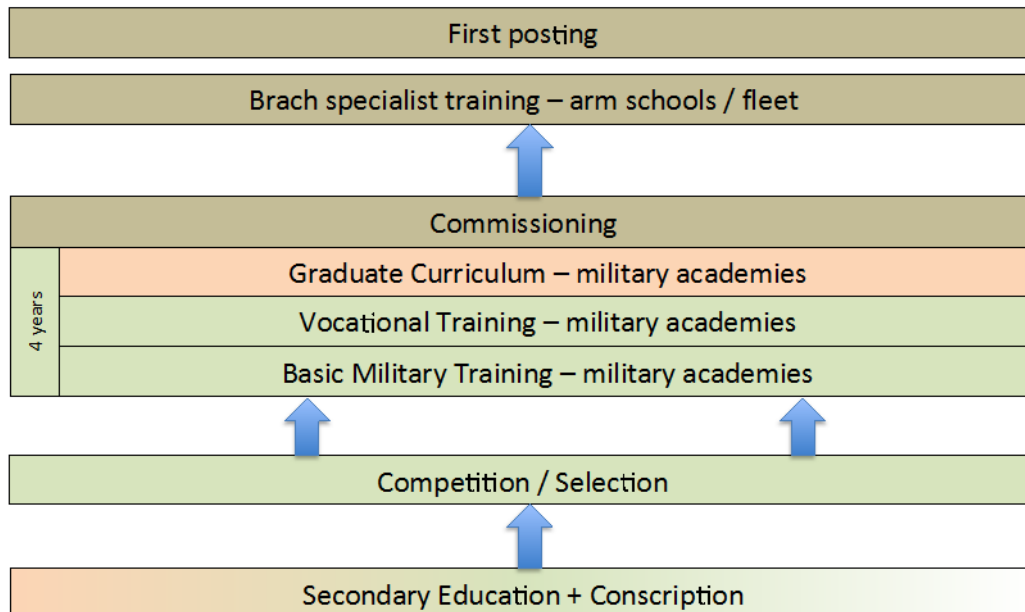




GREECE

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.

ARMY

Hellenic Army Academy

(www.sse.gr/index_en.php)

Academic curricula

Undergraduate (basic education)	Undergraduate in Military Science
Postgraduate (intermediate education)	Postgraduate (with Technical University of Crete) in: - Applied operational research and analysis - Systems engineering

Military specialisations

Infantry	Branch School (Chalkida)
Armoured Cavalry	Branch School (Avlona)
Artillery	Branch School (Nea Peramos Attikis)
Engineers	Branch School (Loutraki)
Signals	Branch school (Athens)
Army Aviation	Branch School (Stefanovikio Magnisias)
Technical corps	Branch School (Patra)
Ordnance corps	Branch School (Lamia)
Supply and Transportation corps	Branch School (Sparti)

Number of cadets first year: 250

Total number of cadets: 1000

Organisation of the basic officers' education

Bachelor level:

Year 1												Year 2												Year 3											
J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J
J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J
Year 4																																			
J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J

Master level:

Year 1												Year 2												Year											
J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J

Integration in the European Higher Education Area

Academic education:

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

Vocational training:

Credit system			Learning outcomes (described and used)	Internal quality assurance mechanisms		National accreditation	Recognition of training done abroad
Nature	Ba	Ma		Following the European Standards and Guidelines	Involving the trainees		
Specific	129	N/A	Y	Y	Y	N	Y

<u>Doctoral studies</u>	<u>Forefront expertise and research fields of the main institution</u>
The Hellenic Army Academy does not organise the doctoral studies of the Greek military officers, currently.	The Military Academy has not yet developed research activities within its premises.

An exchange culture

Number of military students sent abroad on an exchange in 2013-2014: 4

Greece and the Hellenic Army Academy have a strong and long-standing culture of exchanges based on a long tradition of hosting and training foreign officers. In particular, students from 11 countries are educated and trained in the Academy. The multi-nationality of the Academy's composition assigns to it the role of an ambassador of our morals and traditions beyond the borders of Greece and the European Union. Foreign cadets constitute approximately 15% of the total number of cadets.

Context:

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

Practice:

Academic				Vocational			Practice of full-curriculum mobility	Common modules proposed	Offer of "international programmes"
Sends students	Hosts students	Exchanges staff	Exchanges with civilian	Sends students	Hosts students	Exchanges staff			
Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	CSDP Olympiad, LOAC	N

Learning of, learning in foreign languages

During the entire curriculum at the Hellenic Army Academy, the Greek Cadets learn English. In addition, they may choose to study a second foreign language during their third and fourth years. In the vocational area, the Military Academy progressively develops its offer of training to be provided in English. It must also be noted that the Hellenic Army Academy provides, during a preparatory year, courses of Greek language within its premises, specifically designed for foreign cadets who are hosted for the entire duration of their initial education. One of the courses (LOAC common module) proposed at the Academy is provided in English

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 Cadets are recruited among the young nationals who are graduated from secondary education. Candidates must comply with medical, physical and psychological standards and successfully pass the Pan-Hellenic written exams.

After graduating from the Hellenic Army Academy as Second Lieutenant and through their career, the Greek officers will receive additional education and training in several educational centres depending on their rank: the Advanced Military Training (Captain), the Command and General Staff College (Major), the Supreme Joint War College (Lieutenant Colonel) and the Hellenic National Defence College (Colonel).