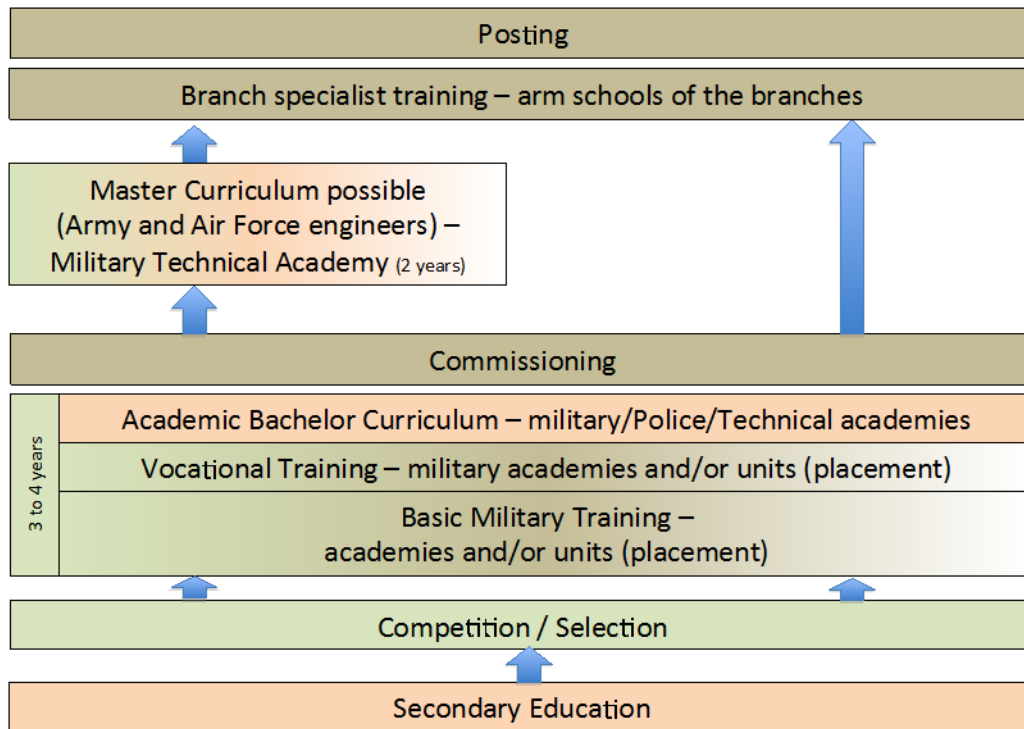




ROMANIA

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



In Romania, the basic education and training of the military officers of the 4 services (Army, Navy, Air Force and Gendarmerie) are provided by 4 different academies. The Gendarmerie training academy is the Police – civilian, therefore – Academy but the application training remains aligned with the military model. Beside, Romania maintains a separation of the technical officers from the other military professions. The future engineers of the Army and the Air Force, indeed, are educated and trained in a distinct Academy, the Military Technical Academy.

The duration of the basic education curriculum and vocational training of the candidates issued from direct recruitment varies from one service to another and, at the application level, from one specialty to another. However, all the academies have fully integrated the *acquis* of the Bologna Process in their education policies. As concerns the engineers of the Army and Air Force, in addition, they are offered the possibility to continue their education at an intermediate level with master studies shortly after their basic curriculum. The other officers will have, later in the course of their career, the opportunity to do so in advanced education institutions such as the National Defence University.

Academic curricula

Bachelor	Bachelor in Military Sciences, Intelligence and Public Order, specialisations in: - <i>Aviation Management</i> (I); - <i>Air Traffic Management</i> (II); - <i>Antiaircraft Artillery and Missile Systems Management</i> (III).
Master (advanced education)	Master in Military Sciences, Intelligence and Public Order, specialisations in: - <i>Airspace Security</i> ; - <i>Air Force Fighting Systems Management</i> .

Military specialisations

- Pilots (rotary and fixed wings) (I);	Air Force Training School “Aurel Vlaicu” (Bobocu)
- Air Traffic Controllers (II);	
- Radar operators (II);	
- Electronic warfare officers (II);	
- Ground-based air defence officers (III);	

Number of cadets first year: 60

Total number of cadets: 200

Organisation of the basic officers' education

Bachelor:

Year (Ba)1

Year (Ba)2

Year (Ba)3

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
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Year 4 (Branch Training School)

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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	180	120	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	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		
ECTS	18	0	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

<u>Doctoral studies</u>	<u>Forefront expertise and research fields of the main institution</u>
The Air Force Academy does not organise the doctoral studies.	The Air Force Academy is involved in scientific research activities with view to constantly improve the quality of its curricula, notably in the following fields: <i>UAVs, laser utilisation, electromagnetic compatibility, electromagnetic launch systems, intercultural communication, education communicative competences in foreign languages, leadership..</i>

An exchange culture

Number of military students sent abroad on an exchange in 2013-2014: 6

The Air Force Academy promotes both incoming and outgoing mobility of future military officers but also of teachers and instructors. The “Henri Coandă” Air Force Academy has obtained the ERASMUS+ CHARTA and is involved in students and teachers mobility under ERASMUS + conditions. The “Henri Coandă” Air Force Academy is also part of the EMILYO initiative and EUAFA at European level. The “Henri Coandă” Air Force Academy is involved based on bilateral agreements in cooperation in education and research area with similar universities from entire world.

Context:

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

Learning of, learning in foreign languages

During their entire education at the Academy, the future Romanian officers must learn English – general terminology courses – as a part of their core curriculum. They have also the possibility to learn French and/or chose additional English courses focusing on military terminology. Beyond the regular teaching of and training to international Air Force standards and procedures, the Academy progressively increases its offer of courses provided in English. 20% of the courses proposed at the Academy are 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	SLP 2	SLP 2	SLP 2	SLP 2

Before and beyond basic education

The future military officers are recruited among the young nationals who are graduated from secondary education and who comply with medical, physical and psychological standards. In addition, candidates must pass an entrance exam, which includes tests on the English language.

In the course of their career, the Romanian officers will receive additional education and training at an advanced level, notably in joint institutions, such as the National Defence University “Carol I”, which provides opportunities for doctoral studies.