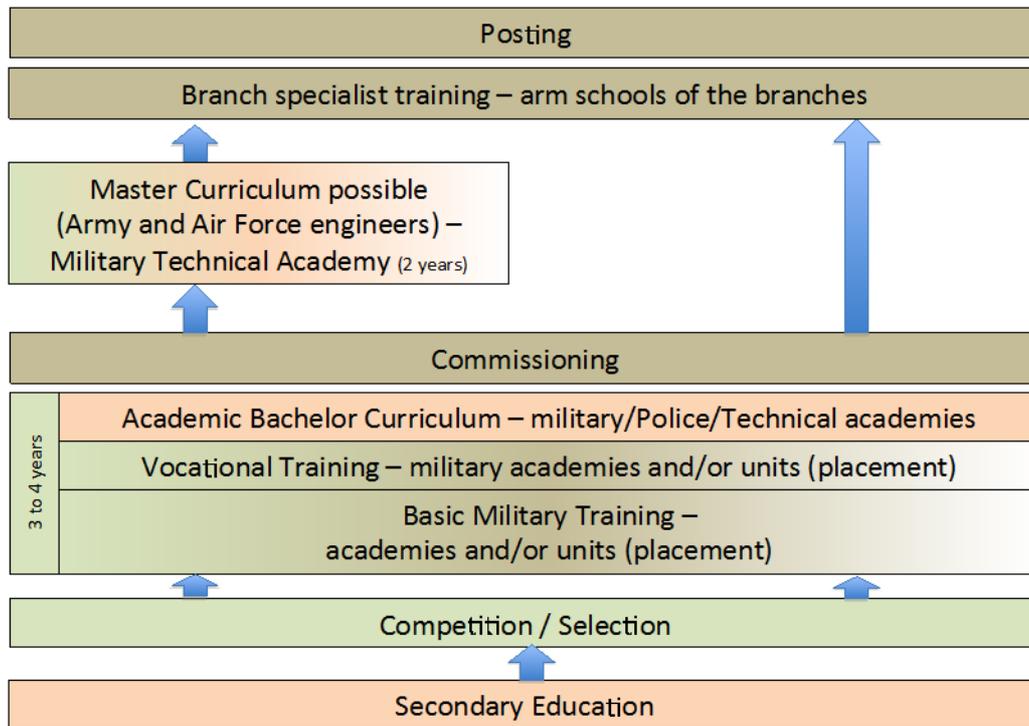




ROMANIA

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.

ARMY

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Academic curricula

| | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Bachelor | Bachelor in Military Sciences, Intelligence and Public Order , specialisations in: - <i>Organizational Management</i> - <i>Economic-Financial Management</i> Bachelor in Administrative Sciences, Public Administration |
| Master (advanced education) | Master in Military Sciences and Intelligence , specialisations in: - <i>Organizational Capability Management</i> - <i>Management and Technology</i> - <i>Organizational Leadership</i> - <i>Intelligence in Organizations</i> |

Military specialisations

| | |
|----------------|-------------------------------|
| Infantry | BTS (Făgăraș) |
| Mountaineering | BTS (Predeal) |
| Reconnaissance | BTS (Buzău) |
| Tanks, Auto | BTS (Pitești) |
| Engineering | BTS (Râmnicu Vâlcea) |
| Artillery | BTS (Sibiu) |
| Logistics | BTS (Chitila) |
| Communication | BTS (Sibiu) |
| CBRN | BTS (Campulung Muscel) |

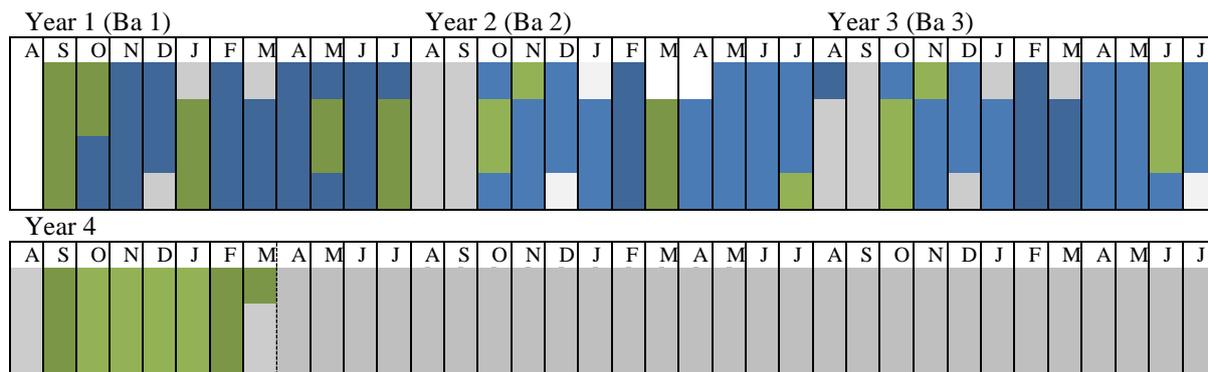
BTS = Branch Training School

Number of cadets first year: 206

Total number of cadets: 723

Organisation of the basic officers' education

Bachelor:



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 | N/A | 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 | | |
| Specific | 30 | N/A | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |

| <u>Doctoral studies</u> | <u>Forefront expertise and research fields of the main institution</u> |
|--|---|
| The Land Forces Academy does not organise the doctoral studies of Romanian officers. | Research at the Land Forces Academy is fully recognised by the Ministry of Education, Research, Youth and Sport in the areas of expertise of the Academy. |

An exchange culture

Number of military students sent abroad on an exchange in 2013-2014: 66

The Land Forces Academy has implemented a policy of “open doors” towards the European academic experience, supporting exchange programs for teaching staff in European universities within Erasmus or other programs. Romania and the Land Forces Academy are actively involved in the promotion of both inward and outward mobility of future military officers but also of teachers and instructors. They have implemented the acquis of the European Higher Education Area, as well as important instruments for exchanges, such as taking part in the Erasmus program. Their active contribution to the Initiative for the exchange of young officers and the European Military Academies Commandants Seminars, notably, demonstrates that they are willing to engaged so as to contribute to the growth of the European academic and vocational exchanges.

Context:

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

Learning of, learning in foreign languages

During their first two years at the Academy, the cadets learn English as part of their core curriculum. During the last year, they have the possibility to continue learning a second foreign language, either French or German. In addition, our Academy provides academic courses in English for international Erasmus students.

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

| | Speak | Write | Read | Listen/Understand |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------------------|
| Bachelor curriculum | B1-B2 | B1-B2 | B1-B2 | B1-B2 |

Before and beyond basic education

The candidates for the military career are recruited from among young nationals who are graduates from civilian and military high schools who comply with medical, physical and psychological standards. The candidates must pass an entrance exam, which includes a test of English language and other two other disciplines according to the specialisation.

The institution manages a building up process of the human resource with superior qualification in the field of leading military actions, thus setting the base for the military career. Upon graduation from the Academy, the cadets will be commissioned Second Lieutenants.

Further on, they will follow a branch course for specialized training. They also have access to master studies offered by our academy or other institutions.