



## **“Winter Military Leadership Training Program 2026”**

Organized by  
the Hellenic Army Academy  
02-11 February 2026

### **Administrative information**

#### **1. Training Program**

The Winter Military Leadership Training Program focused on Small Units Tactics will take place at the Hellenic Army Academy (HAA) from February 2-11, 2026. This intensive program, organized as a Blended Intensive Program (BIP), awards 3 ECTS and is eligible for Erasmus+ funding. Detailed BIP instructions will be provided to participating institutions after the registration deadline.

#### **2. Participants**

Participants should include cadets, students, and military officers interested in this training and are expected to be in the Academy NO LATER THAN Sunday, Feb 1st, 2026.

#### **3. Health Measures**

A signed confirmation from your institution is required to verify cadets' medical fitness for the training.

#### **4. Costs**

International participants accommodated at the HAA facilities will receive free accommodation and meals, as well as complimentary lodging for accompanying officers. Participants opting for external accommodation can select nearby hotels, with costs to be covered by their institution. There is no participation fee for this program.

#### **5. Transportation**

Participants are requested to make their own travel arrangements to and from the Athens International Airport.

The HAA will provide free transportation from the Athens International Airport to the Academy and vice versa. The participants will be welcomed at the Arrival Hall of the Athens International Airport by a representative officer holding a "HELLENIC ARMY ACADEMY" sign.



Whoever does not want to use the Academy's transportation benefits can choose from the choices below:

- Car Rental
- Taxi  
[Taxi prices are approximately 20 € from the Athens International Airport to the HAA.]
- Public transportation  
[Bus (X96 or X97) routes are available 24/7. They depart every 30 to 60 minutes from a designated area at the arrivals level (between Exit 4 and Exit 5). The stop for the Hellenic Army Academy is called "Scholi Evelpidon."]

Additionally, free transportation will be provided for the optional arranged event schedule.

## **6. Cultural Visits**

The HAA will also provide cultural visit to Acropolis (free of charge).

## **7. Uniform/Dress code**

Arrival/departure and sightseeing: Civilian clothes (casual attire)

Participation in the Training: Battle Dress uniform

## **8. Registration**

Please fill out the attached application form (if you do not know the flight information at this stage, leave it blank) and send it to the Academy's POC **by the 10th of January 2025.**

## **9. Point of Contact (POCs)**

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## **10. Useful Links**

The Hellenic Army Academy: <https://sse.army.gr/en/home-en/>



Weather Forecast for Athens: [https://meteo.gr/cf-En.cfm?city\\_id=12](https://meteo.gr/cf-En.cfm?city_id=12)



European Security and Defence College: <https://esdc.europa.eu/>

City of Athens: <https://www.cityofathens.gr/en/>

European Security and Defence College: <https://esdc.europa.eu/>

Hellenic Ministry of National Defence: <https://www.mod.mil.gr/en/>

Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs: <https://www.mfa.gr/en/index.html>

## 11. General Information about Greece

- Language

The official language is Greek.

- Local Time

Greece is in the Eastern European Time Zone: EET (UTC +2).

The Eastern European Summer Time: EEST (UTC +3)

- Climate & Weather

Greece has a primarily Mediterranean climate, featuring mild, wet winters and hot, dry summers. This climate occurs at all coastal locations, including Athens, the Cyclades, the Dodecanese, Crete, the Peloponnese, the Ionian Islands, and parts of the Central Continental region.

The mountainous areas of Northwestern Hellas (parts of Epirus, Central Hellas, Thessaly, and Western Macedonia) and the mountainous central regions of Peloponnese feature an Alpine climate with heavy snowfalls. The inland parts of northern Greece, Central Macedonia, East Macedonia, and Thrace feature a temperate climate with cold, damp winters and hot, dry summers with frequent thunderstorms. Snowfalls occur every year in the mountains and



northern areas, and brief snowfalls are not unknown even in low-lying southern regions, such as Athens.

Summer in Athens is usually hot, with temperatures around 35°C (95°F). Winters are wet and mild, varying from 0°C to 14°C (32°F to 57,2°F). Spring in Greece starts on the 21st of March and is mainly characterized by warm and sunny weather. In Athens, the highest average temperature in July is around 33°C (92°F), and the lowest average temperature is 20°C (68°F).

- Currency / Exchange

The currency in Greece is Euro (€). All banks operating in Greece offer foreign currency services and quote the exchange rates of the Euro against all major foreign currencies daily. Major foreign currencies can also be exchanged in exchange offices in the city.

- ATMs and Credit Cards

All central banks in Greece have automatic teller machines (ATMs) in most towns and larger villages. All major credit cards are accepted almost everywhere.

- Electricity supply

In Greece, electrical sockets (outlets) usually supply between 220 and 240 volts AC. Electrical sockets (outlets) are one of the three European standard electrical socket types: The "Type C" Europlug, the "Type E," and "Type F" Schuko. If your appliance's plug doesn't match the shape of these sockets, you will need a travel plug adapter to plug in.

- Smoking

Smoking is prohibited in all public areas and indoor public places. There are smoking areas at the Academy campus, in restaurants, and in nightclubs.

- Opening hours

Shops usually open around 09:00 and close around 15:00. Depending on the day, shops open again from 17:30 till 21:00. Large Shopping Centres stay open till 21:00.

Banks are open on workdays (Monday to Friday) between 08:00 and 14:30.

Restaurants and cafes have varying opening hours, but most close at midnight on workdays (Monday to Friday).

- Driving side

Driving is on the right-hand side of the road. All the international traffic signs are in use and placed on the right-hand side of the streets and highways. At roundabouts, priority is given to vehicles coming from the right side.

- Emergency number



Police: 100

Fire and rescue: 199

Ambulance (Life emergency): 166

SOS, emergency call: 112

Dial Code for Hellas: +30



**Annexes**

- A. Activity's Schedule<sup>1</sup>
- B. Application Form

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that this schedule is tentative and subject to change. Should any further development arise, you will be notified accordingly