



CM "Military Leadership B"

Military Training Course

Organized by
the Hellenic Army Academy
06 – 17 July 2026

Administrative information

1. Participants

Participants shall be cadets/students and military officers willing to participate in the Summer Military Leadership Training, which will take place in Mount Olympus, Litochoro area from July 6th to July 17th 2026.

2. Costs

During your cadets' stay at the Academy, we will provide all necessary amenities, including bedding, linen, meals, and access to hot water facilities. Each room in the Academy can accommodate 4 people.

No participation fee is required.

3. 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.

Participants are kindly requested to arrange their **arrival** at the Athens International Airport on the **July 4th or 5th not after 18:00 (Local Time)** and **departure on July 18th after 18:00 (Local Time) or 19th of July.**

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

- Rent a car
- Use a taxi.
Taxi prices are approximately 15 € from the Athens International Airport to the HAA.
- Public transportation buses (X96 or X97).



All bus 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."

Subsequently, at around 17:00-18:00, we will depart for the Summer Military Training area, which is approximately a 6-hour drive. We anticipate reaching the training camp around 23:00, where dinner will be served, and participants will be accommodated in military tents.

Departure:

On Friday, after the completion of the training, we will return to the Hellenic Army Academy (around 23:00) for some well-deserved relaxation. As your cadets are scheduled to depart on Saturday, we will ensure they are transported to the airport 2.5 hours prior to their departure time for a smooth journey.

If there is any information that may have been inadvertently omitted or any aspect that requires further clarification, please do not hesitate to let us know

4. Training:

The training program will commence on Tuesday morning and continue until Friday afternoon (15:00). Please find attached the detailed program, along with the necessary equipment list.

If any members of your delegation are unable to swim, kindly inform us in advance so that we can make appropriate arrangements, either by providing an alternative course or teaching them basic swimming skills. If there are any difficulties in bringing the equipment mentioned in the list, please inform us as soon as possible, and we will make arrangements to provide them for you.

In addition to the training, we have arranged cultural visits to renowned archaeological sites, such as the Tomb of Philip II of Macedon. We encourage your cadets to participate and immerse themselves in the rich cultural heritage of our city.

5. Uniform/Dress code

Arrival/departure and sightseeing: Civilian clothes

Participation in the training with battle uniform.

6. 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 POCs **by the 10th of June 2026.**

7. Points of Contact (POCs)



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8. 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

- Links

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

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

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

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

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

Village of Litochoro: <https://www.visitgreece.gr/mainland/macedonia/litochoro/>

Weather Forecast for Litochoro: https://meteo.gr/cf-en.cfm?city_id=356

We eagerly look forward to welcoming your cadets in our exceptional facilities!

Best regards,

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"the only thing that is constant is change", Heraclitus