

# REVISED CORPS OF CADETS PARTICIPATION POLICY (CPP)

1 July 2016

Implementation Date: 1 August 2016

The UNG Corps of Cadets is an 8-semester residential learning experience that replicates the living and learning conditions of a Federal Service Academy. Therefore, Cadets, both men and women, who enter the Corps beginning 1 August 2016 will serve under a revised Corps of Cadets Participation Policy. This policy requires all Cadets in the Corps to be enrolled as “full participants” (See Policy Letter #9), while taking a minimum of 12 hours, including one 2-hour Military Science course, in every Fall and Spring semester AND a 1-hour MILS exercise physiology course (XX05) in every Fall and Spring Semester. In some cases, Cadets may be allowed to take designated UNG leadership courses in lieu of MILS 3000, 3100, 4000, 4100, if approved in writing by the Commandant. A formal plan of study is required.

Cadets may request an exception to the participation policy and live off campus as **military non-residents** if they meet one of the following criteria:

- a. Reside with parents or grandparents and commute daily to/from their residence within Dawson, Lumpkin, Hall or White Counties
- b. Are married (Show marriage certificate).
- c. Are age 23 or older at time of application
- d. Have completed 2 years of honorable federal service at time of application (show DD Form 214)

Cadets who can demonstrate extreme personal hardship may request a waiver of the participation policy to become military non-residents or to leave the Corps of Cadets and become civilian students. Documentation is required. The Commandant will decide whether or not a student can change from military to civilian status and when the change will occur.

Cadets, including transfer students, who have resided in military residence halls for eight Fall or Spring semesters, may request to leave the Corps to become civilian students.

**STOP OUT CLAUSE:** Cadets who **quit the Corps** or who are **administratively dismissed** by the Commandant may not take courses on the Dahlonega campus for a period of one calendar year from the date of their withdrawal.

**AUTHORITY:** In all cases, the **Assistant Commandant of Cadets has the authority to approve or disapprove requests** for exception or waiver depending on the need for residential leaders in the Corps of Cadets, the mission to train “in residence” as many leaders as possible, bed space occupancy rates, caps on the number of military non-resident students, the commissioning needs of the U.S. Army (input from PMS required) or the student’s ability to meet established deadlines and/or published suspenses. “Grandfathering” students under previous policy provisions is not required.

**ADMINISTRATION:** Prospective Cadets should submit requests for non-resident status to the office of Cadet Admissions. Enrolled Cadets should submit requests to the Assistant Commandant. A failure to comply with the Corps Participation Policy is defined as an act of providing false or misleading information during the admissions process or when applying for an exception/waiver; or not moving into or maintaining residence in designated University housing when available; or changing status from military resident to military non-resident (or from military to civilian status) without the approval of the Commandant. **SEE IMPLEMENTATION INSTRUCTIONS/SOP, dated 1 August 2016.**

**APPEAL:** The decision of the Assistant Commandant of Cadets regarding any aspect of the Corps Participation Policy may be **appealed to the Commandant of Cadets** within 3 business days.

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Name (Print)

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Signature

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Date

## MEDICAL INFORMATION RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

I hereby authorize the release of medical information from any doctor or hospital that I may utilize in case of illness or injury to officials of University of North Georgia.

I further authorize the physicians to Student Health Services, their agents or consultants, to perform diagnostic and treatment procedures, which in their judgment may become necessary while I am at University of North Georgia.

Limited medical services, including doctor consultations, are available to students at Student Health Services and are covered by Health fee. Consultations with specialists, X-rays, emergency room treatment, and other tests are not available on campus and are not covered by Health fee. Students should secure a personal health insurance policy, or be prepared to pay additional medical expenses, in case medical treatments are needed, which are not available at Student Health Services.

The U.S. Army, through the ROTC Department, will pay medical expenses incurred as a result of injury only during an organized ROTC activity. These circumstances are limited to physical training (PT), drill and field training exercises (FTX). Questions should be addressed to Julian Brock in the ROTC Department at 706-864-1778 or by email at julian.brock@ung.edu.

Every effort is made to ensure that activities are appropriately organized and supervised. I understand that neither University of North Georgia nor its staff or administration, is responsible, financially or otherwise, for accidents or injuries that occur during activities associated with training, extracurricular activities, or athletics.

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Name

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UNG Student ID #

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Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Meningococcal Disease

The following information is provided to you as required by law. Please sign the attached form and return as directed.

The Georgia General Assembly passed legislation requiring public and nonpublic postsecondary educational institutions to give students residing in campus housing information about **meningococcal disease** and vaccine. Students are **required** to sign a document **provided** by the postsecondary institution stating that they have received a vaccination against **meningococcal disease** or reviewed the information and declined to be vaccinated. The governor signed the legislation on May 28, 2003; effective January 1, 2004 (Official Code of Georgia Annotated § 31-12-3.2).

## Meningococcal Disease Facts

- **Meningococcal disease** is a serious infection caused by bacteria, most commonly causing meningitis (an infection of the membranes that surround the spinal cord and brain) or sepsis (an infection of blood that affects many organ systems).
- College freshmen, particularly those living in dorms, have a modestly increased risk of getting the **disease** compared with other persons of the same age. Up to 100 cases occur among the 15 million college students in the United States each year, with 5-15 deaths. However, the overall risk of **disease**, even among college students, is low.
- Crowded living conditions and smoking (active or passive) are additional risk factors that are potentially modifiable.
- Bacteria are spread from person-to-person through secretions from the mouth and nose, transmitted through close contact. Casual contact or breathing in the same air space is not considered sufficient for transmission.
- Common symptoms include: stiff neck, headache, fever, sensitivity to light, sleepiness, confusion, and seizures. Invasive **meningococcal disease**, or blood infection with the organism, causes fever and rash.
- The **disease** can be treated with antibiotics, but treatment must be started early. Even with treatment, some patients may die. Survivors may be left with a severe disability such as the loss of a limb.
- A **meningococcal** polysaccharide vaccine is available for those who wish to pay for it.
- Vaccine protects against 4 of the 5 most common types of **meningococcal** bacteria and protection typically lasts 3-5 years.
- Vaccination may decrease the risk of **meningococcal disease**; however, it does not eliminate the risk because the vaccine does not protect against all types of **meningococcal** bacteria. Approximately 50-70% of **disease** among college students is likely to be vaccine-preventable.
- Vaccine may be available at travel clinics, health departments, student health services, or through private providers. Prices may vary.
- Information about **meningococcal disease**:
- The availability of a safe and effective vaccine <http://www.cdc.gov/nip/publications/VIS/vis-mening.pdf>,
- A listing of additional sources of information <http://www.cdc.gov/nip/recs/teen-schedule.htm#chart>
- Map of Georgia's public health districts [http://www.usg.edu/student\\_services/immun/resources\\_map.pdf](http://www.usg.edu/student_services/immun/resources_map.pdf)).



## NOTICE OF PRIVACY RIGHT

This institution is covered by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), which is designed to protect the student's rights with regard to educational records maintained by the institution. Under this act, a student has the following rights:

- 1- The right to inspect and review one's own educational records maintained by the institution.
- 2- The right to challenge the content of records on the grounds that they are inaccurate, misleading, or a violation of privacy and other rights.
- 3- The right to file a complaint with the Department of Education if the University violates FERPA.

A written policy detailing how the University of North Georgia complies with the provisions of the Act, as well as procedures for filing a complaint is in the University of North Georgia handbook. Parents may obtain records if written permission from the student is on file, or if proof of dependency is on file with the Registrar.

I have read and fully understand the above, Notice of Privacy Right, in regard to the confidentiality of my educational records. In signing this document, I agree to allow my parents/legal guardian to inquire and/or obtain information from the Commandant's of Cadets and his staff members concerning my educational status, including my grades, my personal record of conduct, and my status at UNG Corps of Cadets for the period of my participation in the Corps. This information can also be discussed with other UNG officials on a "need to know" basis. This agreement is valid as long as I am in the Corps of Cadets or until

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Print name \_\_\_\_\_

Last

First

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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If you need this document in an alternate format, please contact Lisa Suita at 706-864-1793 or [Lisa.Suita@ung.edu](mailto:Lisa.Suita@ung.edu).