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Distinguished Military Graduates

LTC William "Todd Kuebler

Every year the Seniors (MSIVs) are ranked on an order of merit based on academics, extracurricular activities, performance at Advanced Camp, assessment by their Professor of Military Science and others, DMGs make up the top 20% of all Cadets Nationwide. The University of Iowa has the honor of having three of them: CDT Claire Hellman, CDT Emma Holesinger, and CDT Jacob Reifert. Being assessed as a DMG is such a notable accomplishment that it will remain on their Military Records. Dean- Uden-Holman, Dean of the University of College will be honoring the Cadets at a future event.

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Hawkeyes on the Move

The University of Iowa's Nursing program is considered number 4 in the nation for undergraduate nursing programs and is tied for number 1 among public universities. After years of rigorous academic schedules, hard work, and application processes CDT Lundtvedt a current junior (MSIII) was accepted into the university's program. She will divert from the traditional ROTC career pipeline to focus on her future profession of being an Army Nurse. CDT Lundtvedt's hard work paid off and we look forward to others following in her footsteps.

Tradition of Excellence

Once again, the Mighty Hawkeye Battalion Ranger Challenge Team won the Task Force championship at Camp Dodge. The Ranger Challenge is ROTC's varsity competition. Over two days, the cadets were tested on physical fitness, endurance, individual and collective skills. Nearly every morning since the start of the semester, the team came together to hone individual skills and improve their physical conditioning. Our team (comprised of freshman thru seniors) handily defeated ISU, UNI, UNL, KSU, K-State, and others for the fourth year in a row. Team Captain CDT Dixon, did a fantastic job leveraging each individual's strengths and hopes to emulate the success of the 1987 National Champion "I Team".



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Iowa National Guard

The ROTC program relies on support from the Iowa National Guard. Over the past two months, IANG members supports the ROTC program through transportation, armory support, medics, guest speakers, and equipment. Iowa Army National Guard units often excuses Cadets from their monthly training requirements (split training), if they are participating in ROTC activities outside the regular course load. This year 6 of our 14 Cadets elected to commission into the National Guard. SSG Kyle Mumby is our in house recruiter, ensuring cadets leverage the opportunities afforded to them. A big thank you to SSG Mumby, 109th MMB, Bravo Company 133, 67th TC, 1133rd TC, and the Iowa Army National Guard.

A Hawkeye First

CDT Claire Hellman

I have always known that I wanted to attend the University of Iowa, I didn't decide to join ROTC until my Sophomore year. I had no idea that ROTC would come to play such a large role in my college experience when I first accepted my admission, but I cannot stress enough how happy I am that I got involved in the program when I did. Already a member of the Iowa Army National Guard, my decision to contract with the ROTC was largely influenced the community of incredible Cadre and Cadets in the Mighty Hawkeye Battalion. It is very apparent that every member of the battalion truly cares about the program, and the people within it, which creates a great sense of community within the program.

The ROTC program has afforded me many opportunities to develop as a leader and a person. As a Cadet I've been able to intern at USEUCOM, attend foreign language training, and participate in and lead various (victorious) challenge teams; these experiences have left me better prepared for my future in the military, and helped me to establish a vast network of future officers I cannot wait to work with during my career. I'm excited to commission in the Spring and look forward to being a proud Mighty Hawkeye Battalion Alumni!

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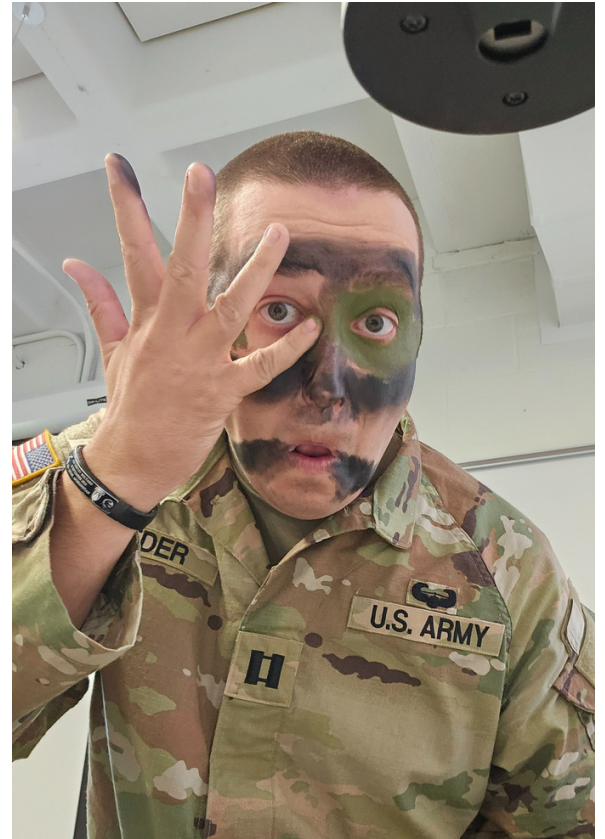


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Meet the Cadre

CPT Curtis Feder

Greetings to Cadets, family, and friends of the Mighty Hawkeye Battalion! My name is Captain Curtis Feder and I am in my second year teaching in the ROTC program. I graduated from a Midwestern ROTC program, and have been on active duty as a Field Artilleryman for 10 years. My passion is cultivating leadership skills, pushing cadets to give their best effort, and preparing them to be future officers. I hope someday to get a call from one of my former teammates about how lucky they feel to have one of our cadets as their leaders. I am endlessly grateful for the opportunity here at the University of Iowa and am proud to be a Hawkeye. GO HAWKS!