

Revised Proposal to Modify the PEA GE Requirements
for ROTC and Veteran Students

Current Policy

Currently students who are in the ROTC program at UCSB or veterans who have served in the military prior to coming to Westmont receive no academic credit towards the PEA GE requirements despite the intense physical requirements of these programs. Over the last 5 years we have seen an increase in both ROTC and Veteran students on campus, and Admissions is working on strengthening our recruitment of Veterans. Over the last few years a number of these students have wondered why they don't receive any PEA credit for their military experience, especially since we offer PEA classes like Boot Camp, Swimming, Personal Conditioning and Weight Lifting. All of these forms of physical fitness are part of their past (for veterans) and their current military training (for ROTC students) military training.

Proposed Policy

ROTC students - The proposed change would be to waive one PEA requirement for every year of service for students who are enrolled in the ROTC program at UCSB or Loyola Marymount University. The maximum PEA requirements that can be waived under this provision is two courses. ROTC students would still need to complete PEA-032 (Fitness for Life) and one additional PEA course to complete this area of the GE.

Veterans - The proposed change would be to waive one PEA requirement due to their military service. Veteran students would still need to complete PEA-032 (Fitness for Life) and two additional PEA courses to complete this area of the GE.

If approved, each student's program evaluation would be adjusted to reflect the remaining needed PEA courses upon receiving documentation of service from Veterans Administration or the UCSB/LMU ROTC transcription officer.