



Fighting Falcon Battalion

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BGSU Cadets in CULP 2015

Congratulations to the following Cadets who were selected and attended the 2015 Cultural Understanding and Language Program (CULP). Every year hundreds of Cadets travel the globe, spending up to three weeks immersed in foreign cultures, learning more about how others around the world live. The selected cadets participated in a military exchange program which involved both working and attending classes in a host country. The Army recognizes the need to develop cultural awareness and foreign language proficiency skills in future leaders. The overseas immersion experience educates leaders in an environment outside traditional classrooms. Cadets have the opportunity to compete to study abroad in more than 40 countries!



(Langmeier-Russia, Mansary-Vietnam, Pendleton-Czech Republic, Snyder-Serbia, Shammo-Kosovo)

BGSU Welcomes SFC Luna to the Fighting Falcon Battalion



Sergeant First Class Luna was born in Laredo, Texas; he joined the Army in 1995 as an infantryman and his first duty station was in Fort Stewart, GA. His first overseas tour took him to Baumholder, Germany. Shortly after arrival he deployed on a peace keeping operation to Kosovo. He then received orders to deploy with Charley Company 2-6 Infantry to the initial Invasion of Iraq in February of 2003. SFC Luna has four additional deployments, two additional to Iraq and two tours to Afghanistan. SFC Luna also worked as the Drill Sergeant in Fort Benning, GA from December 2008 to December 2010. He currently holds the Drill SGT Badge, Expert Infantry Badge and Combat Infantry Badge. He is also the proud father of twin boys Mario and Raul, and one daughter Monica.

BGSU Newly Contracted Cadets

The Fighting Falcon Battalion is proud to announce the contracting of nine new Cadets. These Cadets have shown the pride, confidence and a will to succeed. They have proven themselves in the classroom, physically and mentally which has enabled them to accept the challenge of contracting as a ROTC Cadet. Congratulations to the newly contracted Cadets:



(Racheal Fenton, Zachary Hoffman, Hugh McQuillen, Elizabeth Hunter, Kendall Kuhn, Brentten Wiley, Luke Earnest, Kathryn Kelly, Rebecca Shatney)

The Cadet Initial Entry Training- CIET



CIET is the premier leadership program unlike any other in the United States. An intense four-week introduction to Army life and leadership training of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps, the aim of the course is to motivate and qualify Cadets for entry into the Senior ROTC program. CIET is designed for college students, typically between their sophomore and junior years. Upon successful completion of the course, graduates can take part in ROTC at their college as a third-year student in the four-year program. We would like to recognize our recent graduates from the CIET summer training:

(Alexa DiPietrantonio, Rachel Fenton, Timothy Shimrock, Lucas Wertman, Chelsie Wright)

BGSU Army ROTC Clubs

The ROTC program offers additional involvement with ROTC clubs run by Cadet leaders. The clubs offered at BGSU are the Royal Greens, Pershing Rifles, and Ranger Challenge Club. The purpose of the clubs are to challenge the student leaders physically and mentally, promote self-confidence, increase leadership capability, increase military knowledge, promote overall professionalism, and improve the community. For additional information, or to join one or more of the above mentioned clubs, please contact the following Cadet leader(s):

(Royal Greens-CDT Shammo, Pershing Rifles-CDT Rowlands, Ranger Club-CDT Bintz)



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