# PREPARING TO WIN LIFE'S BATTLES AS A RESERVE OFFICER

# MEANS FIRST PREPARING TO WIN OUR NATION'S BATTLES—AS A MARINE.

Serving in the United States Marine Corps Reserve is every bit as honorable and challenging as becoming an active-duty Marine. You, too, are a rifleman and forever considered a Marine. You are combat ready, and carry with you the courage, pride and self-confidence emblematic of a United States Marine, possessing the ability to fully understand each and every mission on a tactical level, as well as the distinct ability to lead fellow Marines.



### YOU ARE AN OFFICER IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

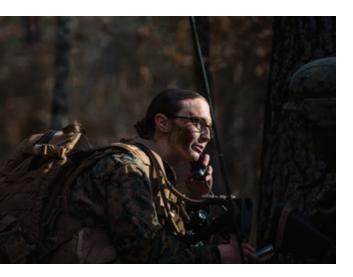
The mission of the Marine Corps Reserve is to augment and reinforce the active component with trained units and qualified personnel in times of war or national emergencies. As an officer in the Marine Reserve you are well-trained, fully prepared and more than eager to command and supplement the active-duty forces when needed. You are absolutely critical to the Marine Corps' ability to provide a balanced and effective force.

#### **BENEFITS AT A GLANCE:**

- Often, units are located near your home or school.
- Training with full pay one weekend per month and two weeks per year with the opportunity to serve more.
- Guaranteed Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) at time of commission.
- Advanced MOS training and leadership opportunities that will help you in all aspects of your life—including your civilian career.
- The same Officer Candidates School training as active-duty Marine Officers.
- Educational assistance available through the Reserve Montgomery GI Bill.

# BEYOND AN INNATE FIGHTING SPIRIT, THESE ARE THE REQUIREMENTS TO SERVE IN THE RESERVES.

- Be a U.S. citizen.
- Meet physical, mental and moral standards.
- Be between the ages of 17-29. Prior service age limits differ.
- Take and pass the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) test or obtainment of qualifying ACT or SAT scores.
- Be found qualified through a medical exam.



#### THE COMMITMENT

The Reserve component contract is an eight-year contract (four with a Selected Marine Corps Reserve Unit and four with the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR)). The contract encompasses all officer MOSs except Naval Aviator and Judge Advocate. Applicants choose between a preference of geographic location or MOS preference. Neither MOS or geographic preference are guaranteed, but an applicant may choose to travel to a unit outside of their local geographic location if the closest unit does not have the desired MOS.

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