

# ARCTIC MILITARY FELLOWS

Program Overview | Ted Stevens Center for Arctic Security Studies

A Department of War Regional Center | Anchorage, Alaska

## WHAT IS THE PROGRAM

The Arctic Military Fellows program places active-duty military officers at the TSC in Anchorage for one to two years professional military education (PME). Fellows contribute to TSC research, courses, and international engagements while completing a fully funded graduate degree in Arctic security through the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA).

## PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- Develop military leaders with a broad understanding of the Arctic's role in international security.
- Build officer expertise applicable to Arctic command and staff assignments.
- Strengthen TSC research and engagement capacity through active-duty contributions.
- Connect fellows to U.S. and international Arctic security networks.

## GRADUATE DEGREE PARTNERSHIP

Fellows earn a **Master of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies (Arctic Security)** through UAA. Tracks include Environmental Security, Leadership, Defense Operations, and Policy. TSC staff serve as unpaid UAA faculty affiliates, teaching select courses in the program and integrating operational Arctic content into the curriculum. Tuition is fully TSC-funded.

## PARTICIPATING SERVICES

Service	Status	Notes
U.S. Air Force	Active	1 fellow current, 2 graduated
U.S. Coast Guard	Active	3 fellows current, 1 graduated
U.S. Army	Active	1 fellow current

## SERVICE OBLIGATIONS

- Fellows incur a 3-for-1 Active Duty Service Obligation (ADSO) for the TSC-funded degree.
- Following the fellowship, officers serve a 2-year utilization tour at the 11th Airborne Division, 11th Air Force, ALCOM, or a related Arctic command.
- Specific obligations are governed by applicable DoW and service policies.

## PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

### DURATION

1–2 years(service-dependent)

### LOCATION

Anchorage, Alaska (TSC Headquarters)

### DEGREE

M.S. Interdisciplinary Studies (Arctic Security)  
UAA

### CREDITS

30 credit hours

### TUITION

\$533/credit hour (\$15,990 total) Funded by TSC

### SERVICE OBLIGATION

3-for-1 ADSO for degree+ 2-year utilization tour

### UTILIZATION TOUR

11th Airborne Division, 11th Air Force, ALCOM, or related Arctic assignment

## COMMON QUESTIONS

### Who selects fellows?

Each service manages its own nomination and selection process in coordination with TSC.

### Is the degree required?

Yes — the graduate degree is a core component of the fellowship.

### Can fellows deploy?

Fellows are assigned to TSC for the duration; operational deployments are generally not anticipated.

### Who funds the degree?

TSC covers tuition in full. No cost to the fellow's parent unit.

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