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Corps of Cadets updates and the Institute for Leadership and Strategic Studies (ILSS) annual report can be found here:  
<http://ung.edu/institute-leadership-strategic-studies/updates-reports.php>

The UNG Corps of Cadets won the MacArthur Award! U.S. Army Cadet Command 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade (the military college brigade) recently announced that UNG won the MacArthur award this year. The award is based on the achievement of the school's commissioning mission, cadets' performance, standing on the command's National Order of Merit List, and its cadet retention rate. Other senior military college Army ROTC programs in contention were The Citadel, VMI, Texas A&M, Virginia Tech, and Norwich. Congratulations to our cadets and cadre are in order!

Our “average” contracted senior is above the average contracted senior in 271 of the 274 Army ROTC programs in the nation. The “national order of merit list” contains over 5,300 seniors who will commission as lieutenants this year. All cadets are ranked by a score that measures scholar/athlete/leader criteria. Ranking third, UNG is significantly ahead of the other senior military colleges, the next closest of which was 26<sup>th</sup>.

Lieutenant General Townsend, UNG '82, relinquished command of the XVIII Airborne Corps on 19 January 2018. He will pin on his fourth star and take command of the Army's Training and Doctrine Command at Ft. Eustis. See the article: <https://ung.edu/news/articles/2018/01/townsend-set-to-become-four-star-general.php>

The UNG Corps of Cadets appeared on the front cover of *Real Hero Report*, a publication targeted to Metro Atlanta's active and reservist military, veterans and first responders. Read the article here!  
<https://cdn.flipsnack.com/widget/v2/widget.html?hash=fdniomjkb&bgcolor=EEEEEE&t=1514925045> (must copy and paste link into browser)



FROG Week was conducted the 1<sup>st</sup> week in January. Sixty-five new cadets showed up and four additional new cadets showed up after FROG week. Demographics: 23% ethnic or racial minorities/77% white; 19% women/81% men; cadets came from Georgia, Florida, Illinois, Pennsylvania, and exchange cadets from Poland and South Africa; 42 are in the National Guard/3 are in the Army Reserve.

The cadet NCO Academy was also conducted the 1<sup>st</sup> week in January. Eighty-nine cadets were trained. Among the graduates were two international cadets from our partners in Poland, Tadeusz Kościuszko Military University of Land Forces.

Size of the Corps of Cadets this spring: 724

[Georgia Gold, American Treasure](#) development initiative is on-going for the sole benefit of the Corps of Cadets. With a goal of \$93,145,000, the vision of the initiative is to “Secure and strengthen the Corps of Cadets at the University of North Georgia”. All contributions benefitting Cadets will count toward our goal. For more information, contact Phil Collins at [phil.collins@ung.edu](mailto:phil.collins@ung.edu). We encourage alumni, friends and family of the Corps to participate in this vital fundraising effort.

If you're interested in hearing more about the Institute for Leadership and Strategic Studies, and you are visiting Dahlonega, we'd like to schedule a one-hour personal briefing for you. Please contact Keith Antonia at [keith.antonio@ung.edu](mailto:keith.antonio@ung.edu)