

Virginia Military Institute

Editorial Style Guide

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Common VMI Terms/AP Style

active duty

active duty
M, M, L, C, J

advisor

A, D

cadre

Cadre Week

M, D, C

African American

B (A, A)

barracks

A, O, B, N, B

canceled

A, B, L, I

the "Bomb"

MI

catalog

A, B

Breakout

F, J, C, R, L

chaplain

è I

brother rat

L, C, B, R, J, O, BR

citizen-soldier

class year

A, F, C, E, J, E, C, E, J, A, MI

cadet

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Cadet Battery

R, A

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Founders Day

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Faculty and Sta Rank

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Sergeant Major	. a .	Master Gunnery Sergeant	a .
First Sergeant	. .	First Sergeant	. .
Master Sergeant	a .	Master Sergeant	a .
Sergeant First Class, SFC	. C a	Gunnery Sergeant	. .
Sta Sergeant	a .	Sta Sergeant	a .
Sergeant	. .	Sergeant	. .
Corporal	C .	Corporal	C .
Specialist	. .	Lance Corporal	a C .
Private First Class, PFC	. .	Private First Class, PFC	. .
Private	. .	Private	. .

Navy, Coast Guard

Admiral	A .
Vice Admiral	A .
Rear Admiral Upper Half	a A .
Rear Admiral Lower Half	a A .
Captain	Ca .
Commander	C .
Lieutenant Commander	. C .
Lieutenant	. . .
Lieutenant Junior Grade	. . .
Ensign	E .

Chief Warrant Officer	C Wa a
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Petty Officer First Class	C a
Petty Officer Second Class	C a
Petty Officer Third Class	C a
Seaman	a a
Seaman Apprentice	a a A
Seaman Recruit	a a

Marine Corps

Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps	. a .
Sergeant Major	a C .

Sergeant Major	. a .
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Air Force

Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force	C a
Chief Master Sergeant	. A F
Senior Master Sergeant	C a .
Master Sergeant	a .
Technical Sergeant	. . .
Sta Sergeant	a .
Senior Airman	A a
Airman First Class	A a C a
Airman	A a
Airman Basic	A a

Professional Ranks

Doctor	D .
Attorney	A .
Pharmacist	P .
Registered Nurse	R N .
Chaplain	C .

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Registered Nurse	R N .
Chaplain	C .

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File Photos

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Headshot

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Punctuation

Book and Movie Titles

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U.S. Navy Ships

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**Spelling, Abbreviations,
 and Fragments**
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 MIE...
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 F...

Areas of Study

degrees

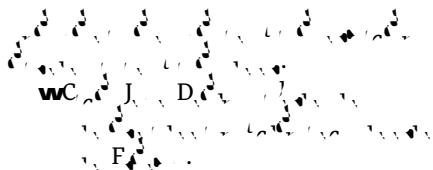
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bachelor of arts degree:

B... B.A.
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 M... L... C... B.A.

departments

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 D... A... M...
degrees: Applied Mathematics



degrees: Modern Languages and Cultures, B.A.

majors: Modern Languages and Cultures

minors: Arabic Minor, Chinese Minor, French Minor, German Minor, Modern Languages Minor, Spanish Minor

concentrations: Arabic Concentration, Chinese Concentration, French Concentration, German Concentration, Spanish Concentration

Mechanical Engineering—

Mechanical Engineering

Modern Languages and Cultures—Modern

Languages and Cultures

Physics—Physics & Astronomy

Psychology—Psychology

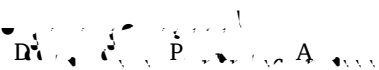
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Arabic Minor—Modern Languages and Cultures

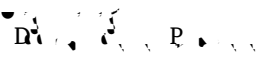
Art History and Visual Culture Minor—



degrees: Physics, B.S.

majors: Physics

minors: Astronomy Minor, Physics Minor



degrees: Psychology, B.S.

majors: Psychology

minors: Leadership Studies Minor, Psychology Minor

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Applied Mathematics—Applied Mathematics

Biology—Biology

Chemistry—Chemistry

Civil Engineering—Civil and Environmental Engineering

Computer Science—Computer and Information Sciences

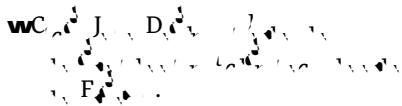
Economics and Business—Economics and Business

Electrical and Computer Engineering—Electrical and Computer Engineering

English—English, Rhetoric, and Humanistic Studies

History—History

International Studies—International Studies & Political Science



National Security Minor—International Studies & Political Science

Philosophy Minor—English, Rhetoric, and Humanistic Studies

Physics Minor—Physics & Astronomy

Psychology Minor—Psychology

Rhetoric and Writing Minor—English, Rhetoric, and Humanistic Studies

Spanish Minor—Modern Languages and Cultures

concentrations



concentrations

Aerospace Engineering Concentration—Mechanical Engineering

Arabic Concentration—Modern Languages and Cultures

Art History and Visual Culture Concentration—English, Rhetoric, and Humanistic Studies

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (BMB) Concentration—Biology and Chemistry

Chinese Concentration—Modern Languages and Cultures

Construction Management Concentration—Civil and Environmental Engineering

Ecology, Conservation, and Organismal Sciences (ECOS) Concentration—Biology

Environmental Engineering Concentration—Civil and Environmental Engineering

Financial Management Concentration—Economics and Business

Fluid Mechanics and Hydraulic Engineering Concentration—Civil and Environmental Engineering

French Concentration—Modern Languages and Cultures

Geotechnical Engineering

Concentration—Civil and Environmental Engineering

German Concentration—Modern Languages and Cultures

Global Management Concentration—Economics and Business

Hydrology and Water Resources

Engineering Concentration—Civil and Environmental Engineering

Interdisciplinary Studies in Latin

America Concentration—International Studies & Political Science

Literary Studies Concentration—English, Rhetoric, and Humanistic Studies

Military History Concentration—History

Nuclear Engineering Concentration—Mechanical Engineering

Philosophy Concentration—English, Rhetoric, and Humanistic Studies

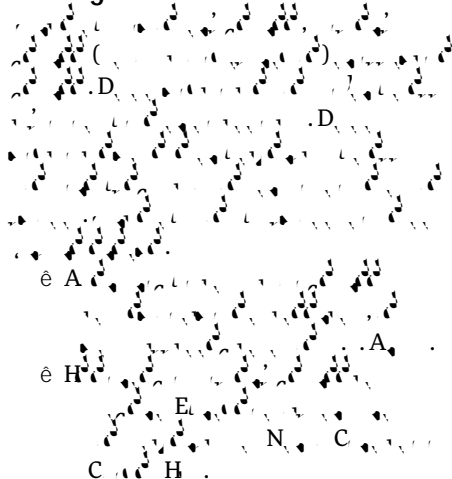
Rhetoric and Writing Concentration—English, Rhetoric, and Humanistic Studies

Spanish Concentration—Modern Languages and Cultures

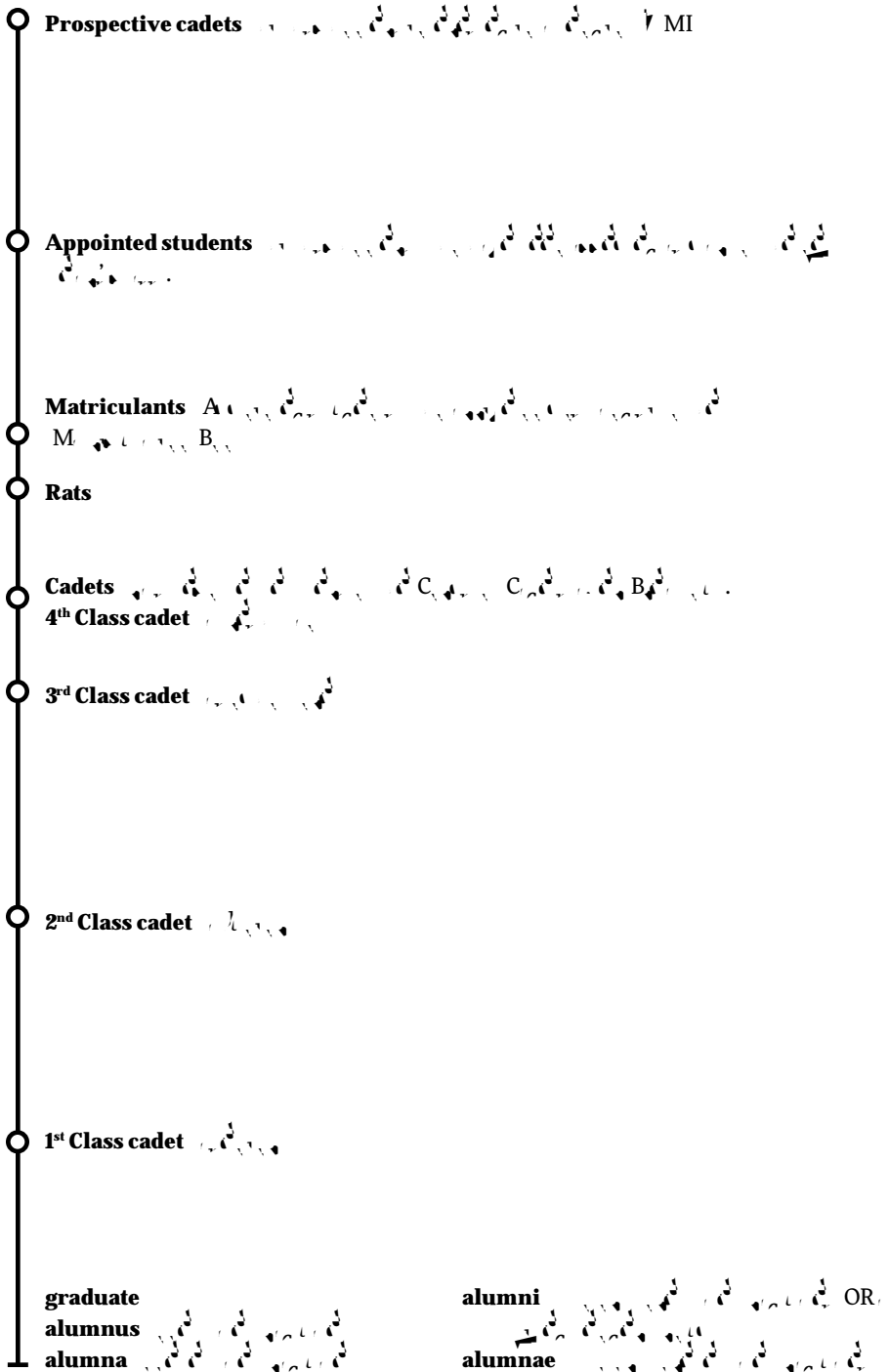
Structural Engineering Concentration—Civil and Environmental Engineering

Transportation and Planning Engineering Concentration—Civil and Environmental Engineering

Writing about someone's education:



Timeline of Terms for VMI students



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