

# EMU General Dynamics Site Visit

**Mission:** Eastern Michigan University ROTC Eagle Battalion conducts site visit to General Dynamics Land Systems installation in Sterling Heights, MI

**Purpose:** Gain exposure to vehicle systems the Army employs and increase interest in potential future career branches.

## Key Tasks:

1. Attend Briefing on General Dynamics operations and initiatives.
2. Attend briefing on Stryker Variation
3. Attend briefing on Buffalo.
4. Attend briefing on M1 Abrams.
5. Attend briefing on Research and Development operations.

**Assessment:** On 16 November 2018, the MSIII & MSIV Cadets from EMU Army ROTC Eagle Battalion visited the General Dynamics Land Systems installation to gain a familiarization of the technology and equipment that are utilized by different branches with the Army.



Buffalo Group



Stryker Group



MSIIIs & MSIVs w/Cadre



M1 Abrams



# CWST (14 NOV 2018)

**Mission:** EMU Army ROTC conducts Combat Water Survival Training on 14 NOV 2018 at the Jones Pool IOT instruct Cadets in the proper method to swim in ACU's/OCP's, combat equipment and build confidence in weaker swimmers.

**Purpose:** Provide Cadets a firm understanding on performing water operations swimming in Army Comber Uniform (ACU). Allow weaker or non-confident swimmers an opportunity to improve on their swimming abilities.

**Key Tasks:**

Each Cadet conducts”

1. 10 minute swim
2. 5 minute water tread
3. 15 meter equipment swim
4. Equipment drop
5. 3 meter drop



**Equipment Drop**

**3 Meter Drop**



**5 Minute Water Tread**



**Confidence Building for Weaker Swimmers**

**Summary:** The Eagle BN completed the CWST to gain confidence in themselves and learn the proper methods to complete Army water training.

# Profession of Arms Lead Lab (08 NOV 2018)

**Mission:** EMU Army ROTC educates, trains, and commission's college students to be officers and leaders of character in the Total Army and assists assigned JROTC units IOT support the 7<sup>th</sup> BDE and Cadet Command mission during the Fall Semester (SEP-DEC) 2018

**Purpose:** Develop physically fit leaders who are innovative, adaptive, analytical, agile and critical thinkers, and problem solvers.

## **Key Tasks:**

1. The EMU ROTC Eagle Battalion conducts a combined arms operation at the National Guard Armory in Taylor, MI.
2. The EMU Eagle Battalion gains knowledge of different U.S. Army branches, specialty schools, and civilian career opportunities in order to be prepare for their future career as officers in either the Active or Reserve Component.
3. The EMU Eagle Battalion receives instruction on U.S. Military Weapons systems and utilize the EST2000 to increase knowledge and familiarization in preparation for the weapons range in March 2019.

## **Assessment:**

### A. Issue 1: Branches

1. Discussion: Some of the branches did not have representation for cadets to ask questions.
2. Recommendations:
  - a. Expand reach for branches in local Reserve and National Guard units to attend.

### B. Issue 2: Limitation

1. Discussion: Some cadets found it difficult to relate their major to the jobs that were being presented.
2. Recommendations:
  - a. Broaden variety of federal agencies attending.
  - b. Assess agencies invited based on degree fields of the cadets.



**Top Left:** Cadets using the EST2000.

**Bottom Left:** Cadets at Weapons Familiarization

**Center:** MI State Police  
**Bottom Right:** MI National Guard

**Top Right:** FBI,  
General Dynamics & MI Dept. of State booths.



**Summary:** Eagle Battalion conducts movement to the Taylor Armory for the Profession of Arms leadership lab. Several stations are set up for cadets to gain awareness of military occupations and civilian career fields with state and federal agencies and private corporations.