

CDT PVT Dominic Lanzillotta, Class of 2010 (Member of Squad, Company F4)

When I first signed up for the Infantry Tactics Club I must admit it was due to some peer pressure from upperclassmen. The first few weeks I really did not like the club because it was a lot of ruck marching, drills, and getting dirty when I could have been doing my homework and getting to bed early. Once we went out and did a few exercises, especially the live fire exercise, I then realized how much this club was helping me. Regardless if I choose to branch infantry or not, I will have already been in experiences that have provided me with basic infantry techniques. I am developing as a leader in the field and as the training within the club becomes more and more complex I will continue to develop my skills. For me, this club has been the most beneficial thing at the USMA.

CDT CPL Brian Smith, Class of 2009 (Team Leader, Company F4)

The Infantry Tactics Club has taught me numerous things and has afforded me leadership responsibilities I would not have seen until my Cow or Firstie Year. By being a part of ITC, I was better prepared for Camp Buckner than most of my peers and have not only learned tactics but how run a platoon, organize training events, forecast and request supplies, and also how to interact with officers and NCOs of all ranks, all of which not only make me a better Cadet, but will make me an even better officer.

CDT SGT Kyle Hurst, Class of 2008 (Platoon Sergeant, Company B3)

The Infantry Tactics Club has been an important influence upon my development as a leader. Since entering the club my plebe year I have learned the basics of infantry tactics, been put in leadership positions ahead of those held during the academic year, and have been tested under stressful situations to perform. It has undoubtedly contributed to my confidence as a leader and a put me in a leadership position among peers during my summer detail. The Infantry Tactics Club is an excellent resource to learn about the Infantry, the basic tactics that are the foundation of all military operations, and a great opportunity to seek out new leadership positions and test and refine leadership skills in a stressful field environment.

CDT CPT Paul Cheval, Class of 2007 (Brigade Executive Officer)

West Point's clubs aim to provide enrichment and development within the Corps of Cadets; the Infantry Tactics Club does just that, with a focus on what Cadets will do after graduation as commissioned officers. Through involvement in the club, I have learned to lead small infantry units, manage staff functions, and interact with officers and noncommissioned officers who have served in a variety of command and staff positions while deployed and stateside. This club has without a doubt been one of the most developmental experiences I've had as a Cadet.