

Vanessa Gattis to speak at Annual Acquisition Conference, Feb. 22 at DAU

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Col. Vanessa Gattis, PhD, is the USAWC faculty instructor scheduled to offer a key address about Leadership in a Diverse Environment, at the DAU Annual Acquisition Conference.

Feb. 21, 2018 -- Col. Vanessa Gattis will share academic expertise and professional leadership as special guest speaker at the Annual Acquisition Conference. discussing leadership in the diverse environment of the U.S.

military, Feb. 22 at 10:30 a.m., at the Defense Acquisition University's Patriot Room.

Gattis is an Army War College faculty member with a PhD in Industrial and Organizational Psychology. Her academic work has focused on workplace issues and women's studies.

Her military assignments included a range of experiences that underscored her insights -- as deputy team chief of Senior Army Inspector General Investigations; Division Chief for the Systemic Inspections Division #3 at the Pentagon; Operations Officer, J-33 for Defense Support of Civil Authorities on the Joint Staff; Deputy Brigade Command for the 1st Civil Affairs and PSYOP Training Brigade; and Force Generation Officer, J9, in Baghdad, Iraq.

The DAU Acquisition Conference will additionally address cybersecurity for aviation platforms, life cycle sustainment planning, communications, cyber-resilient weapons systems, risk management for Defense Acquisition, ISO 900-2008 v ISO 9001-215; and acquisition team member roles.

Gattis is the author of, "A Case Study of Workplace Bullying, Resilience and Professional Women," 2017. Research indicates that 10-15 percent of the European and North American workforce have been exposed to workplace bullying, a complex issue for which Gattis examines the application of resilience as a coping strategy to help professional women overcome the physical and mental health stressors associated with workforce bullying.