Army G2 to spoke at this year's Army War College distance education graduation ceremony

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Army Intel Chief, Lt. Gen. Potter, and Brig. Gen. Janeen Birckhead, talked with students following the distanced education graduation.

The entire ceremony was live-streamed, find the link to the right of this article.

Graduation of the Army War College Distance education Class of 2021 took place Friday, July 23, on the historic parade field of Carlisle Barracks. Army G2, Lt. Gen. Laura A. Potter addressed the 382 students, including 306 U.S. Army officers, 24 Air Force, 4 Navy, 9 Marines, 32 senior federal civilians, and 7 international officers.

Graduates' were recognized for having earned the Master's degree in Strategic Studies, USAWC diploma, and Joint Professional Military Education-Level 2 certification -- as well as for the future contributions that they will make to the security of their countries. The ceremony recognized

those students who earned special writing honors and faculty who have earned honors in teaching excellence.

At approximately 9 a.m., the 108th Field Artillery from the Pa. Army National Guard fired an honorary artillery salute. Ceremonial music was provided by the Carlisle Town Band, and War College Professor Bert Tussing will sing the National Anthem.

Lt. Gen. Potter became the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2, in Sept. 2020. She is also a 1989 graduate of Dickinson College. Potter's most recent assignment was as the commanding general of the United States Army Intelligence Center of Excellence. She holds bachelor's degrees in Russian and Spanish from Dickinson College, a master's degree from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service, Center for Eurasian, Russian, and East European Studies, and a master's in national security and strategic studies from the Naval War College.

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