

Distance educations class of 2022 finally makes their appearance at Carlisle

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377 distance education students receive a welcome from MG David Hill, USAWC Commandant, to begin their two-week in-person session, July 18.

Gathering from across the country and around the globe, over 377 distance education students will drop into Carlisle Barracks July 18 - 29. Students representing the joint force, civilian agencies, and senior international officers will participate in a two-week course of a capstone exercise and culminating academic work, guest speakers, noontime lectures, and a graduation ceremony at the U.S. Army War College's annual second residency course.

It will be the first time the DDE class of 2022 has met in Carlisle, missing the mid-curriculum first residence course due to COVID restrictions last year.

The Commandant's National Security Program will commence during the second week of SRC. CNSP brings 60 nominated participants from various occupations, regions, and ethnic backgrounds to talk with students about

the national security issues of the nation and how civil-military connections contribute to the solutions.

Throughout the week, students and participants discussed globalization and the U.S., future forecasting, the cost of credible combat power, and the viability of military service. These topics align with the Secretary of the Army's priorities.

Capping off SRC, students will participate in their graduation ceremony at 9 a.m. July 29 at the parade ground in front of Wheelock Bandstand. USAWC welcomes Lt. Gen. Erick Peterson, Deputy Chief of Staff, G-8 as the 2022 graduation guest speaker. Family and friends who cannot attend graduation may view the ceremony at <https://usarmywarcollege.edu/live>.

Everyone is welcome to attend the ceremony. Recommend arrival no later than 8:30 a.m.

See planning details below:

Students must be in seats by 8:30 a.m.; family and guests should plan to arrive with them or at about that time. Enter Carlisle Barracks at Claremont Visitors Gate, and follow Special Event signs to parking.

An on-base shuttle, 7:30-8:45 a.m., and following the ceremony, will move guests from parking areas to the parade ground. Those with disabilities or unable to walk distances will find seating at "Quarters Two." Parking attendants will direct the driver to the handicapped lot.

A weather call will be made no later than 7 a.m. on graduation day. In inclement weather, the ceremony will take place in Bliss Hall Auditorium, which only seats students. All guests can watch on large screens in seminar rooms and other selected rooms; students will guide guests to the assigned location.

Every student will cross the stage to receive their diploma, and professional photos of every student will be available at <https://www.flickr.com/photos/usawc> by Monday, August 1. Find same-day video excerpts at www.youtube.com/usarmywarcollege. The entire ceremony video will be at that site by Monday.

The 396 graduates include 11 Pennsylvania officers, among the 308 Army; 20 Air Force, 11 Marine Corps; and 10 Navy Reserve, most of which are from the Reserve or National Guard. Forty-three civilians are joined by four International Fellows representing two from Greece, Estonia, and Mexico.

