Exploring Global Challenges: The Army War College 2024 Great Decisions Lecture Series

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The Army War College's annual Great Decisions lecture series begins on January 26, 2024, This year's series will feature seven distinguished War College faculty members, each delving into a specific topic with significant implications for the United States and the world.

All lectures will be at the Army Heritage and Education Center, Carlisle, from 1-3 p.m. The lecture includes a one-hour presentation, a break, and a question-and-answer segment.

Overview of the Presentations:

Jan. 26, 1 – 3 p.m. Dr. Darrell Driver - "NATO's Future"

Driver will focus on the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's (NATO) future. As geopolitical landscapes evolve, understanding the role and adaptability

or this crucial alliance pecomes paramount.

Feb. 2, 1-3 p.m. Dr. Fredrick Gellert and Dr. Joel Hillison - "U.S. Trade Policy"

The duo of Gellert and Hillison will unravel the intricacies of U.S. trade policy, shedding light on the economic considerations and global implications that shape the nation's approach to international trade.

Feb. 16, 1 – 3 p.m. Dr. Zenel Garcia - "China's Belt and Road Initiative"

Garcia will provide insights into China's ambitious Belt and Road Initiative, exploring its impact on global infrastructure development, economic influence, and geopolitical dynamics.

Feb. 23, 1 – 3 p.m. Larry Goodson - "Mideast Realignment"

Goodson will delve into the complex landscape of the Middle East, addressing the shifts and realignments occurring in the region and their implications for U.S. foreign policy.

March 1, 1 – 3 p.m. Dr. Al Lord - "High Seas Treaty"

Lord will discuss how this crucial maritime agreement holds implications for international cooperation, environmental protection, and the sustainable use of ocean resources.

March 15, 1 – 3 p.m. USAWC Student Panel - "Climate Change"

A special presentation by a USAWC student panel moderated by Dr. Michele Devlin will explore the pressing issue of climate change. This panel discussion will bring diverse perspectives and insights from the next generation of military leaders.

March 22, 1 – 3 p.m. Dr. Carol Evans - "U.S.-China Rivalry"

D. Carol Evans will analyze the ever-evolving rivalry between the United States and China, examining this critical relationship's multifaceted dimensions that significantly shape global geopolitics.

The 2024 Great Decisions Lecture Series brings together the expertise of distinguished USAWC faculty members and the perspectives of future military leaders; the series aims to contribute valuable insights into the complex challenges facing the nation and the world.

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