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Office of the Commandant

Congratulations! Your selection for Senior Service College is an outstanding achievement—indicative of your skill, hard work, and sacrifice. I'm privileged to welcome you to the next phase in your professional and personal development. Here, at the U.S. Army War College, you'll join a student cohort of diverse, dedicated, and proven leaders, focused on the future.

We have shaped our curriculum and the Carlisle experience to help you serve as a leader of character and distinction in near and future challenges—to think strategically and skillfully; to provide sound, nuanced, and thoughtful military advice to national leaders; to apply intelligent problem solving to multi-domain, joint warfighting, and enterprise level challenges; to lead teams with expert knowledge, and collaborate to develop solutions to complex, unstructured problems; to convey information effectively and persuasively to any audience; and to exercise moral judgment in every circumstance.

We enjoy the benefit of a small, campus-like Army installation, where the full workforce is dedicated to helping you succeed, and ensuring your family finds a satisfying quality of life. Soon, you'll receive an email from the Garrison Commander, LTC Jeannette Molina. I invite you to review her guidance and insights—especially as you make your housing and PCS plans.

I urge you to review the Class of 2023 microsite at www.armywarcollege.edu/experience. You'll find information about the academic year ahead and complementary activities – to help you tailor your educational experience and optimize your time at the USAWC. Notably, you'll see that we've laid out options for spouses, teens, and younger family members. Here at the U.S. Army War College, we are endeavoring to ensure that students and Families have the opportunity to learn, grow, reset, and enjoy their Carlisle experience.

In the next month, you'll take a first important step in shaping your year by logging into the online In-processing system. G1/Personnel Officer, LTC Kevin Bentz, will send a follow-up email with your personalized token to access the site. We've selected the key steps necessary to ease your arrival, authorize access to on-base housing, anticipate healthcare requirements, the opportunity to address chronic medical issues, and set you and your family up for success.

You'll also receive an important memorandum from the Army War College Provost, Dr. Jim Breckenridge, Chief Academic Officer. He will identify two sets of requirements to complete before the academic year: two readings, and a set of assessment tools available on the online Assessments Hub. These are critical to enable the assessments-based tailored education that will maximize the value of your academic year. Please note, we encourage U.S. students to take the Graduate Record Exam this spring or summer. When you report GRE results (on the Assessments Hub), we'll reimburse your expense and you'll enable greater fidelity in placing you in seminars, in specialized tracks, and in learning enhancement.

Again, Congratulations—On behalf of the USAWC faculty, staff, and leadership, I offer our sincere commitment to prepare you to serve and lead at the strategic-enterprise level. You've earned this academic opportunity and I am confident that we will deliver a positive experience that you and your Family will remember for years to come, and that prepares you for the complex challenges that lie ahead.

Strength and Wisdom!

David C. Hill
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Commandant