



Colonel Eric Crider

Colonel Eric Crider is the Chief of Staff of the United States Army War College. He is an Armor Officer earning his commission in 1994 as a distinguished graduate of the Georgia College Reserve Officers Training Corps program.

Before assuming his current position, COL Crider served two years as a U.S Army War College Faculty Instructor in the Department of Command, Leadership and Management. He taught strategic leadership, negotiations and defense management in the resident course as well as leading outreach teams in the Eisenhower Series College Program.

Prior to his arrival at Carlisle Barracks, Colonel Crider was assigned to the Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC), where he served as the Senior Cavalry Squadron Trainer. Previous assignments include: Cavalry Squadron Commander conducting NATO peace support operations in Kosovo, Executive Officer for the United States Security Assistance and Management Organization, Operations Officer for the 2nd Brigade, 82nd ABD conducting humanitarian assistance in Haiti, Executive Officer for 1- 73rd CAV in Iraq, G3 - Current Operations Officer, 82nd ABD with duty in Afghanistan, and multiple other command and staff assignments related mainly to the employment of armored, light cavalry, and airborne forces in Korea, Europe, and the United States.

Colonel Crider holds a Bachelor and Master of Business Administration from Georgia College and a Master of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College. His operational deployments include Operation Joint Guardian (Kosovo), Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan), Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation United response (Haiti).

Colonel Crider and his wife, Stephanie, have three children – Erinn, Emily and Liam.