

# USAWC welcomes new Members to the National Security Seminar

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*Col. Sergio Dickerson and Lt. Col. Ricky Emerson, USAWC students, talk with an NSS New Member during a break June 8 in Bliss Hall.*

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Approximately 160 business, government, academic and community leaders from across the country are here this week to participate in the 56th

Annual National Security Seminar, June 7-11. The Seminar is the capstone event of the 10-month curriculum here at the Army War College, the Army's senior educational institution.

The principal purpose of the seminar is to give participants an opportunity to meet and exchange views with the Nation's future military leaders. Army War College students learn from various citizen viewpoints on defense and security matters. NSS guests participate as new members of one of twenty student seminars to discuss national security issues.

Featured speakers during the week will include Professor Susan Herman, president of the American Civil Liberties Union, Dr. Norman Ornstein, resident scholar at the American Enterprise Institute, Dr. Jennifer Bryson, director of the Islam and Civil Society project at the Witherspoon Institute, and Representative Lee Hamilton, president and director of the Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars.

The U.S. Army War College was established in 1901 “not to promote war, but to preserve peace,” in the words of Elihu Root, then Secretary of War. As the Army’s senior service college, it prepares senior military officers to serve in the highest command and staff positions in the Armed Forces of the United States. Annually, it provides educational outreach to nearly 7,000 students, program participants and senior visitors.

The 336 members of the Army War College Class of 2010 include 260 officers from the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, including active, reserve and National Guard; 49 international military officers and 27 senior civilian employees of the federal government.

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