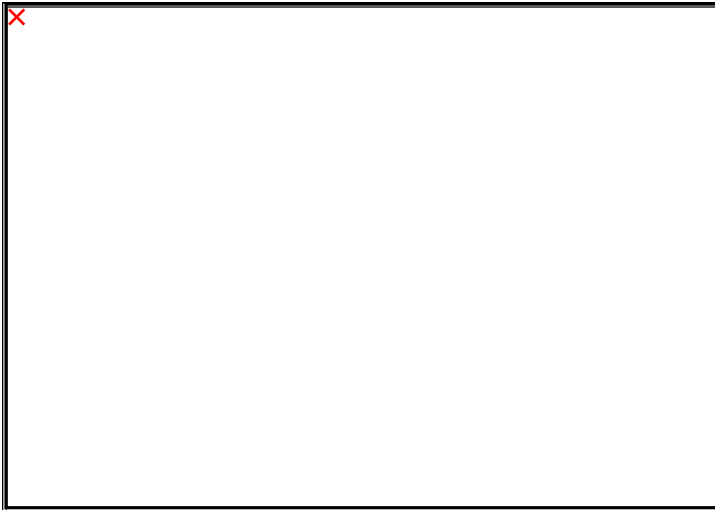


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Maj. Gen. Gregg Martin, USAWC Commandant discusses the “cutting-edge strategic research and outreach,” that SSI does, during the ribbon cutting ceremony.

The Strategic Studies Institute celebrated a significant milestone in its 60-year history today, as its director and the Army War College commandant cut the ribbon on their new facility.

The new building, located at corner of Bouquet Rd. and Forbes Ave., is special for two reasons, said Professor Doug Lovelace, director of SSI.


“First, it was constructed to Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design standards, which means it is not only extraordinarily energy efficient, but also very functional, and second, this is the first building ever built at Carlisle Barracks with the needs of a world-class strategic research facility and staff in mind,” he said.

“Getting to this point was hard work and required a true team effort,” said Lovelace. “The most remarkable aspect of this journey has been how the entire Carlisle Barracks team worked together innovatively to create a facility that will promote as much productivity as one twice its size.”



Col. Phillip Cuccia, Director, SSI Academic Engagement, shows his family his office in the new SSI building.

Throughout its existence, SSI has been located in Root Hall, but the expansion of the



International Fellows program triggered new demand for seminar space in Root Hall.

The new building for SSI is part of a larger campus modernization plan for the Army War College and Carlisle Barracks, added Maj. Gen. Gregg Martin, USAWC commandant.

"They do cutting-edge strategic research and outreach," said Martin after the event. "Right now, they are helping the G3 and Chief of Staff of the Army think through the grand strategy for the nation. That work has inspired the theme for the Army War College's strategy conference this year.

"It's smart, strategic thinking being done by professional soldiers and researchers who have tremendous breadth and depth of knowledge in the field. They do high-quality, important and relevant strategic thinking, writing, and publications of great importance to the senior leaders of the Army, the military and the nation."



Dr. Steve Metz, SSI Regional Strategy Department Chair, takes residence in his new office in the SSI building.

SSI staff are engaged in relevant research on issues that matter greatly, said Martin, who highlighted the professional focus of SSI researchers:

o David Lai, on China

o Don Snyder, the Army Profession and civil-military relations

o Jeff McCausland, nuclear nonproliferation

o Andy Terrill, Arab Spring o Steve Metz, future of American strategy

o Lenny Wong, senior leader development

o Robin Dorff, Operation Iraqi Freedom strategic decision-making o Steve Blank, US-Russia relations in the 21st century

o William Braun, future of the US Army

o **Corey Dauber, visual imagery in the global war on terrorism**

o **John Denny, US Grand Strategy**

o **Max Manwaring, Mexico**

0 national security criminal nexus, and Latin American security affairs SSI studies are available online, www.strategicstudiesinstitute.army.mil.



Dr. Don Snider, SSI adjunct professor, watches Steven Reese, a network Enterprise Center technician, set up the computer in his new office.

(r) Dr. Jeff McCausland admires the desks in the new SSI building.

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