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It's been an exciting year at the U.S. Army War College. The nearly 800 distance and resident members of the Class of 2012 have come and gone, a new commandant has taken command on in between Carlisle Barracks hosted nearly 10,000 guests at more than 200 conferences and events.

Take a look back at the year with just a few of the highlights.

### January 2012

-- 38 Army War College students joined counterparts from the Naval War College, Air War College, Marine Corps War College, and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces for the [Joint Land, Air, Sea Strategy Exercise](#).

-- '[Arab Spring](#)' focus of USAWC symposium

-- Col. Matthew "Matt" Dawson became Director of the US Army Heritage and Education Center at Carlisle Barracks, January 16.

-- Maj. Gen. Gregg F. Martin selected to be President of the National Defense University

### February

-- The Army War College educates more than just the resident and distance USAWC classes -- just ask the nearly 45 general officers and Army Reserve Ambassadors from the U.S. and Canada who came to the USAWC to take part in the 50<sup>th</sup> Senior Reserve Component Officer Course.

-- Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs Thomas R. Lamont led an all-star panel discussion as part of the [Defense Enterprise Management Course](#), one of the final courses of the 10-month Army War College academic program.

-- Retired Army Lt. Gen. James Dubik named the next General Omar N. Bradley Chair in Strategic Leadership, shared by the Army War College, Dickinson College, and Penn State University's

Dickinson School of Law and School of International Affairs.

-- [Retired Gen. Richard Myers](#), former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and current Colin L. Powell Chair for National Security, Leadership, Character and Ethics at the National Defense University, spoke to the Army War College Class of 2012 as part of the Commandant's Lecture Series.

-- Strategic Studies Institute settles into new home

-- Army leaders discuss decision-making process at [Senior Leadership Seminar](#)

-- The [International Strategic Crisis Negotiation Exercise](#) confronted 33 Penn State students with the challenges of a tough, real-world, stalemated conflict

## **March**

-- Military Strategy Dept introduces Building Partner Capacity elective

-- Lt. Gen. Claudio Graziano, Chief of the General Staff Italy becomes the 38<sup>th</sup> International Hall of Fame Inductee

-- British General Sir Richard Shirreff delivers Roosevelt Lecture at USAWC

-- [Strategic Decision Making Exercise](#) challenges students to apply lessons learned at the strategic level

## **April**

-- 60 spouses take part in the Senior Spouse Leadership Seminar, a three-day program that provides spouses training to enhance their roles as senior leaders, mentors and advisers to benefit the military community

-- Carlisle Barracks Army Community Service receives highest accreditation

-- 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual [Strategy Conference](#) stresses that a collaborative approach is key to future U.S. grand strategy

-- Carlisle Barracks Amelia McConnell named Army Child of the Year

-- UN military advisors, police advisors community tap PKSOI expertise

-- Army War College wins Jim Thorpe Sports Days 2012

## **May**

-- TRADOC workshop aims to develop strategic advisors for [Joint Force 2020](#)

-- Gen. David Hurley, Australian Chief of the Defense, becomes 40<sup>th</sup> International Hall of Fame Inductee

-- Army War College students descend on [nation's capital](#)

-- New academic prep course helps IFs gain the most from USAWC experience

## **June**

-- Army War College [Resident Education Class of 2012](#) set to shape future

-- Maj. Gen. Gregg F. Martin, 48<sup>th</sup> USAWC Commandant, passed the colors to [Maj. Gen. Anthony A. Cucolo](#), during a change of command ceremony June 15

-- Approximately 150 citizens drawn from across American life and various fields of endeavor became “new members” of Army War College seminars during the 58th annual National Security Seminar

-- After more than a year of learning together behind computer screens all over the world, more than 350 members of the Army War College [Distance Education Class of 2013](#) came to Carlisle Barracks for the first of two resident courses

-- International Spouses find development, inspiration in the Carlisle Experience

## **July**

-- [Distance Education Class of 2012](#) graduates 349 Military, Civilian, International Leaders

-- Dr. Lance Betros was officially introduced to the faculty as the U.S. Army War College dean by Commandant Maj. Gen. Tony Cucolo in a short ceremony in Bliss Hall, July 27

-- [71 international officers](#) begin their Army War College year, where they will read, study and share their own unique experiences alongside their U.S. counterparts as members of the USAWC Class of 2013

-- Army War College hosts [Combined/Joint Force Land Component Commander Course](#)

## August

-- Gen. Gordon R. Sullivan presents the 2012 USAHEC General of the Army Omar N. Bradley lecture “Transforming the Army of the 90s: Strategic Leadership in Challenging Times” in Bliss Hall

-- Army tackles ‘Health of Force’ through senior leader education through the [Strategic Leader Resiliency Program](#)

-- Gen. Odierno to War College students: Education, adaptability key to future of Army

-- [90 Army War College Fellows](#) and members of The War College Class of 2013 began their experience with a new orientation program that includes more integration with the members of the resident class

## September

-- Army War College takes a knee to focus power, attention on [suicide prevention](#)

-- U. S. Army War College students and International Fellows traveled to Gettysburg to learn strategic lessons about the 149-year-old Gettysburg Campaign that took place during the Civil War.

-- [Gen. Martin Dempsey](#), Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, addressed the Army War College student body today, urging them to take the opportunity of this academic year to learn, think, write, relax, and build relationships in preparation for future leadership challenges.

-- Leaders salute new [Army Wellness Center](#) at Carlisle Barracks

-- They are no longer with us: USAWC remembers [9/11](#)

-- [Carlisle Barracks Child, Youth and School Services](#) receive high marks

-- PKSOI develops, fields Army Leader Education Program for Counter-Corruption

## **October**

-- Twenty six Army “all stars,” including 13 Army War College graduates, came to the U.S. Army War College Oct. 18 to share their experiences, insights on the current state of the Army and discuss the issues and challenges facing the military as part of [Army Leader Day](#).

-- Gen. Carter Ham, Commander of U.S. Africa Command, came back to the Army War College Oct. 24 to talk about the progress being made there and the challenges still ahead.

-- Twenty five senior National Guard leaders came to the Army War College to discuss strategic issues with USAWC faculty and talk face-to-face with USAWC students as part of the Adjutants General National Security Seminar

-- More than 18,000 people took part in the fun and made new memories at the Carlisle Barracks Oktoberfest at the Army Heritage and Education Center

## **November**

-- The opening of the [Indian Field Fitness Center](#) at 119 Forbes Avenue, across from the Root Hall Gym, marked the first phase of expanded fitness opportunities for the Army War College and Carlisle Barracks community.

-- Demolition of remaining “smurf village” homes begins, signaling the beginning of a demolition-construction project

-- Leadership from the Israeli National Defense College came to the Army War College to meet with expert War College faculty and discuss leadership, educating leaders in national security and strategy and the challenges of cyberspace

-- War College Class of 2013 descends on [New York City](#) for insights from non-military leaders

## **December**

-- Navy Adm. Jim Stavridis, commander of European Command and as Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, shares vision of future challenges, solutions with students in Bliss Hall lecture

-- Entertainment galore, delicious cookies, festive surroundings, and Elvis rocking and swaying could only mean one thing—the U.S. Army War College and Carlisle Barracks annual Senior Citizens Holiday Social.

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