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April 11, 2014 – Four reserve component military history detachments participated in the first Introduction to Applied History course taught at the Army Heritage and Education Center, an integral part of the Army War College.

Units are taught every aspect of applied history and we hope this will become a long-term program, said Karl K. Warner, program and education coordinator at AHEC.

In the Army Reserve, military history detachments usually include officers who are 5X, military historian qualified, with non-commissioned officers who are public affairs, 46A qualified. However,

Warner noted that any unit interested in applied history could benefit from the course.

Maj. Ronald Gaudelli, officer in charge of the 305th Military History Detachment out of Coraopolis, Pa. said, “This course is teaching us how to research material, how to catalog artifacts, handle different information, and how take the Soldier’s story and preserve it.”

During reserve unit training, MHD’s take it upon themselves to interview veterans of past wars and collect photographs to provide to the Center for Military History, said Gaudelli.

“History is so important for us to teach, so that a unit or Soldier can better themselves in their own career, make better decisions, and better understand leadership and organizations,” said Warner.

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