

SRC begins for Distance Class of 2020

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Lt. Gen. Charles A. Flynn will be the guest speaker for the DDE 2020 graduation on July 24. Flynn is the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7, Department of the Army.

The graduation ceremony for the US Army War College Distance Class of 2020 will be held virtually on July 24 at 9 a.m., with special guest speaker Army Lt. Gen. Charles A. Flynn, Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7, U.S. Army. The ceremony will be live streamed at

www.armywarcollege.edu/live.

A native of Middletown Rhode Island, he graduated high school in 1981. Following that, he completed a 4-year ROTC program and a B.S. in Marketing.

Throughout his 27-year career, he gained experience in operational and command assignments and served both at the platoon and company level. Also, he is Ranger, Airborne, Air Assault, and Pathfinder qualified.

Lieutenant General Flynn has received many awards and decorations for his accomplishments, including the Distinguished Service Medal with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster and Legion of Merit with two Oak Leaf Clusters, among many others.

The two-year distance education version of the signature Army War College functions as the capstone exercise for those whole Distance Education Program, that is being conducted entirely online this year. “I think it is toughest on the students, said Col. Francis Frazier, SRC director. “I am really impressed with the energy students are bringomg to this.

“We are working hard to get them the best experience we can,” said Frazier.

The remotely delivered SRC this year includes a particularly valuable set of speakers and topics, appropriate to the final set of engagements for these students. They include, among others -- Ambassador Robert Emmet Lighthizer, U.S. Trade Representative; William Joseph Burns, president of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and former United States Deputy Secretary of State; Charles Thomas Cleveland, retired Army Lt. Gen. who commanded the United States Army Special Operations Command; and Brig. Gen. Adam C. Volant, Director of Operations, US Army Cyber Command.

This week begins the Second Year Resident Course., July 13-24. Like the First Resident Course, the SRC of the USAWC Distance Education Program is not taking place in residence at Carlisle. It is being held virtually due to the national health crisis.

This course, like the FRC, includes mostly colonels, lieutenant colonels, and international fellows—predominately in the Army Reserve and National Guard—who balance online learning with civilian job, Reserve duties, and home life. However, unlike the FRC students, the SRC students started their studies in Summer 2018.

They will graduate Friday July 24 at 9 a.m. The ceremony will be streamed live at www.armywarcollege.edu/live which will include a roll call of graduates.
