

USAWC accepting applications for War College Professor Program - Functional Area 47W

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The US Army War College is seeking a qualified applicant for one FA 47 War College Professor position, serving as a senior military and academic leader until mandatory retirement.

The U.S. Army War College opened the application window through Sep. 11, 2020, for the War College Professor Program for assignment to a 47W faculty position until Mandatory Retirement Date. Eligible active duty Army officers – colonels and lieut. Colonels – will have earned a relevant Ph.D. or be able to complete fully funded resident Ph.D. coursework within two years of beginning in 2021.

The United States Army War College (USAWC) is seeking a qualified applicant for one War College Professor (Functional Area 47W) positions. War College Professors serve the USAWC as senior military and academic leaders until mandatory retirement. They are responsible for senior-level professional military education, focused on disciplines relating to military strategy, campaign design, military history, strategic thinking, enterprise-level leadership, organizational change, military theory, national security policy and strategy, force development, and defense management.

The War College Professor position this search addresses is in the **Department of Military Strategy, Planning and Operations (DMSPO)**: This opportunity is open for applicants interested in: Warfare Studies, Military History, History, Security Studies, Strategic Studies, International Relations, Political Science, strategic or operational logistics, or Conflict Studies. (POC: COL Matt Morton, 717 245-4793)

Principal responsibilities for War College Professors include academic leadership, teaching, and scholarship. Specific duties include teaching core curriculum, graduate-level electives, faculty development, service on faculty committees, and research. Dedication to excellence in teaching is an absolute requirement.

Eligibility for the program is limited to Active Duty Army officers in the ranks of Colonel and Lieutenant Colonel. Selected officers who already hold a Ph.D. in a pertinent field are eligible for direct assignment in summer 2021-2023 depending on availability. Non-Ph.D. applicants must have the ability to complete resident Ph.D. coursework within two years of beginning in 2021.

Upon joining the faculty in 2023, the selected officer has three years to complete and defend their dissertation while serving as an active member of the faculty. All applicants must have sufficient time remaining on active duty to complete the active duty service obligations (ADSO)—that is, three days of service for each day of school. For most programs, the ADSO amounts to six years of service following two years of graduate school. In such circumstances, applicants must have at least eight years remaining from the time they begin school until mandatory retirement. Some Ph.D. programs require less time in residence and may result in a shorter ADSO.

Applicants must have an exemplary military record that includes success in leadership and staff positions in positions of strategic importance. Completion of, or enrollment in, senior-level education, or a professional file worthy of constructive credit for senior-level education is required. Both

the USAWC resident and distance senior-level programs meet this requirement. Candidates must have an unwavering commitment to the intellectual, ethical, and professional development of students. A record of successful college-level or professional teaching experience is strongly desired and will receive substantial preference. Women and minority candidates are highly encouraged to apply.

The officer selected must be available to begin the assignment at Carlisle Barracks no later than the 2023-2024 Academic Year. The officer selected for the program will attend, starting in summer 2021, two years of advanced civil schooling at premier educational institutions to earn a doctoral degree in designated disciplines. Alternatively, the candidate may begin service as a War College Professor beginning as early as summer 2021 if they already possess a Ph.D. in an appropriate field. Candidates who hold PhDs in a relevant field but are not available for reassignment until summer 2023 will be favorably considered as long as their Mandatory Retirement Date is 2030 or later.

The USAWC endeavors to send officers to the finest graduate programs, in accordance with its disciplinary requirements. While an officer's personal preference may be considered, institutional needs are the overriding concern in determining where an officer will go to school. Accordingly, the selected officer will consult with COL Doug Winton, Department Chair, to discuss graduate school options. Additionally, candidates should make themselves as competitive as possible by studying rigorously for, and doing well on, the Graduate Record Exam.

Submit complete applications for this War College Professor position directly to the USAWC selection committee:

COL Matthew D. Morton

Root Hall, Room C-134

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Carlisle, PA 17013

Electronic submissions are encouraged. Please send materials for consideration to, melody.d.carte.civ@mail.mil

A complete application packet consists of:

- Letter of application stating qualifications for the War College Professor Program, desire and potential for teaching in DMSPO,

interests (or achieved), the field of study and research and relation to DMSPO curriculum, potential contributions as a USAWC faculty member, and qualities that set you apart from other candidates.

- Officer Record Brief.
- Résumé or curriculum vitae, including list of publications.
- Undergraduate and graduate transcripts. (Photocopies are acceptable for the initial application, but official transcripts may be required later.)
- Standardized test scores, such as Graduate Record Exam (GRE) (preferred). Applicants must ensure that they have completed the GRE (or other relevant examination) in sufficient time to provide results to the USAWC selection panel. GRE or other examinations must be taken at the applicant's expense. Some schools may require a Ph.D. applicant to have a GRE score.
- Copy of a representative publications or written work (electronic format preferred).
- Copy or link to public presentations (video or podcast) if applicable.
- Officer Evaluation Reports (OERs) from the previous three years.
- Three letters of recommendation attesting to academic credentials, faculty potential, leadership, and interpersonal skills.

Applications must be received no later than 11 September 2020. The USAWC selection committee will convene on or about that date to review candidate applications for recommendation to Headquarters, Department of the Army. Direct questions related to the War College Professor Program to Ms. Melody Carte, melody.d.carte.civ@mail.mil, (717) 245-3491.