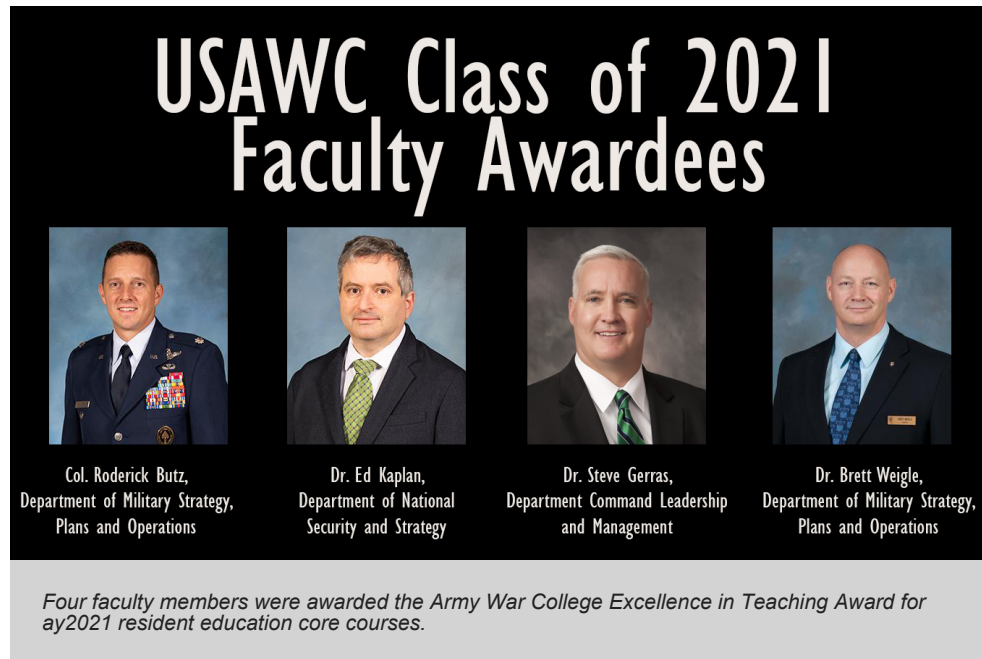


Army War College Students and Faculty recognized for their skills and leadership

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Graduating from the U.S. Army War College is a prestigious accomplishment for any student. A select number of students are recognized for their additional academic achievements. And four faculty are honored at the Army War College resident education graduation for excellence in teaching.

The following 25 U.S. and International members of the Army War College Class of 2021, and USAWC Fellows from the class of 2021 were recognized with distinguished writing, speaking and research awards, announced at the USAWC resident education graduation ceremony here, June 11. The Army War College Foundation recognize Col. Shari Bennett's leadership as the student class president with a Lifetime Alumni Membership.

The following students received the following awards:

Col. Esther Pinchasin received the Commandant's Award for Distinction in

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Col. Michael Kloepper received the Commandant's Award for Distinction in Research.

Lt. Col. Robert Merrill received the Marine Corps Association and Foundation's General Thomas Holcomb writing award.

Lt. Col. Jason Whitford received the War College Foundation's award for Outstanding Strategy Research Project.

Ms. Cathleen Yeisley received the War College Foundation's Lieutenant General Eugene J. D'Ambrosia Logistics writing award.

Mr. David Haugen received the Commandant's Award for Distinction in Research.

Col. Andrew Flor received the War College Foundation's Daniel M. Lewin Cyber Terrorism Technology writing award.

Thomas Putnam received the War College Foundation's award for Outstanding Strategy Research Project.

Col. Michael Maharaj received the Commandant's Award for Distinction in Research.

Lt. Col. Benjamin Neumon received the Reserve Officers Association's Lieutenant General Thomas J. Plewes writing award.

Col. Bradley Waite received the War College Foundation's Doctor Sara L. Morgan Civilian Development/Management writing award.

Lt. Col. Julie Sposito-Salceies received the War College Foundation's Major General Harold J. Greene Memorial writing award.

Lt. Col. Michael van Welie received the War College Foundation's award for Outstanding Strategy Research Project.

Cmdr. Hollcraft received the General Matthew B. Ridgway writing award.

Col. Jonathan Bell received a writing award from the Red River Valley Fighter Pilots Association.

Lt. Col. (Chap.) Robert Hudson received a writing award from the U.S. Military Academy's Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic.

Lt. Col. Heather Roelker received the Commandant's Award for Distinction in Research.

Lt. Col. Heather Roelker received a writing award from the Armed-Forces Communications-Electronics Association, and Command Sergeant Major William and Mrs. Rosa Barrineau.

Thomas Melton received a writing award from the Foreign Area Officer Association.

Charles Carter won first place in the "National-Strategy Essay" competition sponsored by the Secretary of Defense. He also received the Commandant's Award for Distinction in Research.

Col. Andrew Steadman received a writing award from the Military Officers Association of America.

Lt. Col. Marc Sanborn received the Colonel and Mrs. T. Bristol Military-History writing award.

Col. James Watts received a writing award from the 454th Bombardment Group.

Col. (Chap.) Geoffrey Bailey received a writing award from the Military Officers Association of America.

The following USAWC Fellows won the following awards:

Lt. Col. Timothy M. Renahan, Yale received first place in the "National-Defense and Military-Strategy Essay" competition sponsored by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Lt. Col. Lisa R. Mann, Asia Pacific Center received the Association of the United States Army Writing Award

Col. Joseph Paladino, MIT received the Military Order of the World Wars Writing Award

Col. John W. Shermer, CIA received the AWC Foundation Colonel Jerry D. Cashion Memorial Writing Award

Col. Michael Tarpey, George Washington University received the AWC Foundation Award for Outstanding Strategy Research Paper

Four faculty members will be honored with the Army War College Excellence in Teaching Award for resident education core courses:

Col. Roderick Butz, Department of Military Strategy, Plans and Operations

Dr. Ed Kaplan, Department of National Security and Strategy

Dr. Steve Gerras, Department Command Leadership and Management

Dr. Brett Weigle, Department of Military Strategy, Plans and Operations

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