Army Strategic Education Program
Course Descriptions

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These descriptions were consolidated to make it easier for understanding of **current** (** indicates a current class) and **past** courses that were designed for General Officer education programs.

Some of these courses no longer exist or have been subsumed into other courses; however, the course descriptions are included for your reference and use as needed.

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*Note: The descriptions appear in alphabetical order.*
**Advanced Joint Professional Military Education (AJPME)**
The objective of the AJPME curriculum is to build on the foundation established at the JPME Phase I institutions. The curriculum combines online presentations, asynchronous threaded discussions, and online practical exercises, with periods of face-to-face interaction, to cement the professional joint attitudes and perspectives that are essential to future successful military operations integrating joint, multinational, interagency and RC forces.

**Army Strategic Education Program - Advanced (ASEP-A) (3 weeks)**
ASEP-A is a required three-week strategic leader development course for recently promoted Major Generals and Major General-selects. The course provides a broad learning experience focused on thinking, leading, and communicating at the strategic level. Students will participate in required academic deliverables in persuasive writing, speaking on issues of strategic importance, and the provision of best military advice. The curriculum consists of presentations, seminar sessions, a case study, practical exercises, and experiential learning opportunities. The second week of the course consists of executive-level education at a top-tier business school and corporate engagement around the country, rotating each course iteration. ASEP-A includes notable and talented strategic level presenters from joint military, inter-governmental, non-governmental, business, media, and academic communities to address contemporary and future leadership, management, strategic, and security issues.

**Army Strategic Education Program – Basic (ASEP-B) (11 days)**
ASEP-B is a required strategic leader development course for newly promoted BGs and COLs selected for promotion. The course is hosted by the Commandant, U.S. Army War College on behalf of the Chief of Staff of the Army and is conducted in the National Capitol Region. It is the first component of the Army Strategic Education Program and provides a foundation for Army strategic leaders as they enter the general officer corps. The course further enhances individuals’ understanding of personal and professional responsibilities as well as goals, statuses, and major issues of current Army programs. Spouses are invited and encouraged to attend the first week of the course, which includes a separate, concurrent curriculum specifically for them.

**Army Strategic Education Program – Command (ASEP-C) (5 Days)**
Prepare select MGs with training/education for responsibilities of 2-star level Command including legal, Senior Mission Commander training, Aviation Safety, and ISR training.

**Army Strategic Education Program - Senior (ASEP-S) (6 days)**
ASEP-S is a required strategic leader development course for confirmed LTGs; portions of the course are personalized based on each individual’s assignment. A much smaller class size than the other ASEP courses, students have the opportunity to personally interact with some of the most respected joint military, interagency, inter-governmental, academic, media and civilian leaders. ASEP-S enhances each general officer’s ability to immediately impact the issues and challenges facing the Army and Joint Force. The latter part of the week consists of individually tailored
engagements, providing each student the opportunity for one-on-one interaction with key personnel depending on his/her assignment.

**Army Strategic Education Program - Transition (ASEP-T) (5 days)**
ASEP-T is a required strategic leader development course for LTG and below Active (USAR, as required) Component GOs; Generals (GENs) are welcome to attend in class; however, can be provided with a desk-side brief, as requested. The course prepares GOs for one of the more significant events of their lives, the transition from military life into the private sector. It includes critical administrative information regarding the processes of departing Army service. The course also provides GOs with comprehensive education on determining their personal private sector objectives and developing the skills and strategies to reach those objectives. Spouses are invited and encouraged to attend.

**Army Strategic Leader Development Program - Advanced (ASLDP-A)**
The course is designed to continue the development of Army strategic leaders to lead the Army in mastering transitions, understanding and implementing change, business enterprise and transformation.

**Army Strategic Leader Development Program - Basic (ASLDP-B)**
This is a mandatory training event hosted once each year by the CSA for COLs selected for promotion to BG. This course is the first component of the ASLDP and is designed to provide an understanding of the strategic leadership required of general officers; provide information on personal and professional responsibilities; and to review the goals/status of current Army programs/issues. Spouses are invited and encouraged to attend.

**Army Strategic Leader Development Program - Intermediate (ASLDP-I)**
This course is the second component of the ASLDP and is designed to reinforce the principles of strategic leadership with emphasis on business transformation, business enterprise, change leadership, and Army transformation.

**Army Strategic Leader Development Program - Senior (ASLDP-S).**
The course is tailored to each LTG’s position. After Senate confirmation to LTG, the Army Strategic Leader Development Program Coordinator in the CSA’s Coordination Group will contact the GO to coordinate ASLDP-S training.

**Aviation and Safety Course (1 day)**
The course highlights current safety issues and provides tools for effective aviation safety management. Attendees will also record a public service announcement with the Safety Center.
Capstone (5 weeks)**
Capstone is congressionally mandated (Title 10 U.S.C) for all Active Component BG selectees and must be completed within approximately two years of Senate confirmation of selection for promotion to BG. The National Defense University (NDU) conducts this course, which provides a joint and combined operations perspective. Students travel to unified, specified, and combatant commands worldwide. Spouses are invited to accompany sponsors for week five.

Combined/Joint Forces Air Component Commander (C/JFACC) Course (8 days)**
The course prepares potential C/JFACCs for responsibilities of theater-level combat leadership by studying war fighting, military doctrine, and the application of unified, joint and combined combat forces with particular emphasis on air and space power employment in theater-level operations. It also focuses on vertical and horizontal integration of air and ground assets while discussing ways to shape future operations on the battlefield.

Combined/Joint Forces Land Component Commander (C/JFLCC) (5 days)**
C/JFLCC is a position-dependent strategic leader development course for general/flag officers and select senior civilians preparing to assume duties as either Commanders or senior staff officers in a Combined/Joint Force Land Component organization. The course prepares senior leaders to plan, coordinate, and conduct land-centric operations/campaigns in a joint, interagency, intergovernmental, and multinational context. The curriculum utilizes scenario-driven exercises and seminar-style discussion to reinforce the foundational concepts of land-centric operations provided by presentation from senior joint military, interagency, media, and civilian leaders.

Combined/Joint Forces Maritime Component Commander (C/JFMCC) Course (6 days)**
The purpose of the Joint Force Maritime Component Commander (JFMCC) Course is to prepare future Maritime Component Commanders to plan and execute complex maritime operations. As the senior executive component of the Navy’s Professional Military Education continuum, and part of the senior JPME continuum, this course addresses the practical challenges confronting the maritime operational commander. It also considers existing maritime component concepts and doctrine, operational-level capabilities, command and control processes and applications, and the considerations and expectations of joint force commanders and supporting functional component commanders.

The purpose of the flag level Combined Force Maritime Component Commander (CFMCC) Flag Course is to develop a network of leaders, focused on the operational level, in support of cooperation in the theater, oriented toward maritime security. It serves as a forum to develop and
deepen relationships based upon trust and confidence among stakeholders/nations in the framework of regional challenges. It also helps to evolve the Combined Maritime Command and Control concepts and mechanisms, while advancing the understanding of those security issues facing participating nations.

**Cyberspace Operations Executive Course (COEC) (2 days)**
While not a warfighting course, the focus of COEC is primarily centered on the strategic decision-making aspects of cyber policy. COEC is offered semi-annually and serves as a senior/intermediate G/FO-level professional continuing education course in the Department of Defense.

The seminar provides senior leadership an understanding of the network, its vulnerabilities, threat activity, and ongoing efforts to protect and operate within it as they shape cyber-related Doctrine, Organization, Training, Materiel, Leadership and Education, Personnel and Facilities (DOTMLPF).

**Deputy Commanding General’s Course (DCG)(5 days)**
The course will train and educate DCGs on relevant topics to assist them in meeting the challenges of today’s Operational Environment and to provide a better understanding of how they can leverage the capabilities of the institutional Army in the execution of their roles and responsibilities supporting their Commanding Generals.

**Enabling Battle Command Workshop (EBCW) (two days)**
The course is designed to provide Senior Leaders insights and understanding of critical technological enablers that they will use on a continuing basis in this period of transformation from the current Digitized Division to the Future Combat System (FCS)/Objective Force (OF). The workshop focuses on the networked information systems and technologies that play an integral part in the Army's transformation from the current to the modular force. It acquaints attendees with the technologies that make the "Network" happen while providing an in-depth understanding of its true power. The workshop provides the "Warfighter" the technical background needed to understand the employment of Battle Command.

**Enabling Mission Command Workshop (EMCW)(3 days)**
The course provides senior leaders an in-depth understanding of network capabilities, the threat environment and their impact on Mission Command. Attendees will participate in demonstrations of critical networked information systems and technologies that play an integral part in Army operations. All attendees must have a valid TS-SCI clearance.
**Force Integration Course for Senior Leaders (FICSL)/GO Procurement Course (5 days)**
FICSL is designed to familiarize attendees with the how-to and why of determining force requirements and capabilities. It examines alternative means of resourcing requirements in order to accomplish Army functions and missions as related to their executive-level management positions within the Army and joint/combined arena. The GO Procurement course prepares attendees to successfully oversee the procurement process, contracting and operational contract support across the Army enterprise.

**Force Management Course for Senior Leaders (FMCSL) (5 days)**
This course provides a systemic overview of "How the Army Runs". Students will learn the constitutional, statutory and regulatory basis for the force projection Army and the capabilities that must be sustained through management of doctrinal, organizational, and materiel change. They will become familiar with Army organizational roles, function and missions, especially at the ACOM and Army Secretariat/Staff levels. They will also be exposed to established force management processes, from the determination of force requirements through to the resourcing of requirements and the assessment of their utilization in order to accomplish Army functions and missions in a joint/combined environment.

**General Officer Legal Orientation Course (GOLO) (1 day)**
One-on-One legal training tailored to each GO’s current (or future) position.

**General Officer Senior Commander Course (GOSCC)(4 days)**
The course covers a wide variety of topics including labor relations, budget cycle, relations with local government, facilities and infrastructure, environment, mobilization and Morale, Welfare and Recreation topics.

**Harvard Black Sea Security Program Course (two weeks)**
This course mission is to bring together leading policy makers in the Black Sea region with senior US Officers to gain a deeper understanding of issues affecting the region and to encourage problem solving in areas of common interest.

**Harvard Cybersecurity: The Intersection of Policy and Technology (Typically one week)**
The Intersection of Policy and Technology will equip practitioners with the tools necessary to conceptualize the cyber issue, develop policies appropriate for its resolution, and frame strategy and action to address the emerging threats.
Harvard Kennedy School Executive Education (Typically one week)**
Harvard Kennedy School Executive Education offers a global curriculum focused on generating powerful ideas to help people, communities and nations solve the world’s most pressing public problems. Over 35 programs address critical subjects from crisis leadership and decision making to economic development and national security.

Harvard – South Asia / US South Asia Course (5 days)
The Harvard Kennedy School and the Near East South Asia Center for Strategic Studies at NDU co-sponsor this strategic engagement program focusing on major regional and international security issues. Participants will include leading professionals from India, Pakistan and Afghanistan as well as former ambassadors and leading academics. The purpose of this program is to construct bridges of trust and understanding between participants, agencies, and countries.

Individual Terrorism Awareness Course (INTAC)(6 days)
The seminar provides attendees with focused updates, detailed briefings and antiterrorism consequence management war games.

Intelligence Enterprise Pre-Command Course (IE PCC) (1.5 days)**
The IE PCC educates and trains Maneuver Commanders and leaders on the National to Tactical Intelligence Enterprise supporting their forces and operations. The course is hosted by CG, INSCOM, as the Army’s Operational Intelligence Command and uses the intelligence and offensive cyber operations conducted by the 513th MIB (T), 116th MIB (AI), 706th MI Grp, and 780th MIB as the backdrop of the intelligence enterprise in action. This 2-day course begins with the CG, TRADOC providing a Mission Command scene setter; the course then follows with illustrations and demonstrations on all aspects of intelligence operations and training readiness and how the Commanders can leverage the Intelligence Enterprise in support of their Mission Command and decision-making.

Intelligence, Surveillance & Reconnaissance Training (ISR) (1.5 Days)
The Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) ISR Directorate will provide a stage-setting briefing, enabling current/future Division / 2-Star Commanders to understand global and Theater-specific ISR priorities. Also included will be exposure to Army and Joint aerial asset command structure and capabilities, the collection management and Processing, Exploitation and Dissemination (PED) processes, intelligence requirements validation, and synchronization of requests for information from Theater assets. This 1 1/2-Day event includes briefings from ISR TOPOFF, 513th MI BDE, Aerial ISR BDE(AIB)(Provisional), and 706th MI Group/NSA/CSS-G.
Joint Flag Officer Warfighting Course (JFOWC) (5 days)**
The course prepares G/FOs of all Services for the responsibilities of theater-level combat leadership. It is tailored to provide our future combatant, Service component, and joint task force commanders with a broad perspective of the strategic and operational levels of war.

Joint Force Special Operations Component Commander’s (JFSOCC) Course (5 days)**
The course prepares SOF GOs to function effectively as special operations component commanders in joint, interagency, intergovernmental, and multinational environments. The course also increases non-SOF GOs’ understanding of the complexities of SOF employment in joint, combined and interagency operations to accomplish strategic objectives.

Joint Professional Military Education Phase II (JPME-II)**
Joint Professional Military Education was established following greater awareness during World War II of a need for effective cooperation between the branches of the United States armed forces. While some institutions had previously served to provide joint training, notably the Army and Navy Staff College that operated in the last years of the War, the first senior school for Joint Professional Military Education was founded in 1946 under the direction of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The 1986 passage of the Goldwater-Nichols Act caused increased interest in Joint Professional Military Education and created a standard. As of 2005, JPME contains five levels, successful completion of two of which are among the qualifications for the designation Joint Service Officer. Joint Professional Military Education levels are available at a number of colleges and JPME Institutions.

Joint Senior Reserve Component Officers’ Course (JSRCOC) (5 days)
JSRCOC is position-dependent strategic leader development course for general/flag officers of all services and select international partners. The course provides GO/FOs a broad educational experience focused on thinking, leading, and communicating at the strategic level. The curriculum addresses foundations of strategic leadership, the joint interagency, intergovernmental, and multinational (JIIM) environment, economics of national security, civil-military relations, working with Congress, Army enterprise, and total force dynamics. The course includes notable and talented strategic level presenters from joint military, interagency, inter-governmental, non-governmental, business, media, and academic communities.

JP Morgan Chase CEO Bootcamp (3 days)**
Leadership Edge is JPMorgan Chase & Co.’s firmwide suite of leadership and management education programs designed to help develop outstanding leaders at all levels of management across each line of business, function and region. The BOOTCAMP program provides participants with the opportunity to enhance their leadership skills, focusing on both creating a compelling strategy and leading the organization end to end at scale.
Language and Cultural Awareness Training
The course is designed to give GOs the ability to use the language for limited purposes, common courtesies and avoid cultural pitfalls. Conducted by ICA Language Services.

Leadership at the Peak (LAP) (5 days)**
The course provides a comfortable, secure environment for attendees to evaluate their leadership style and effectiveness and focus on the high-level challenges that are unique to leaders in those respective positions. The course is offered on a weekly basis and must be scheduled at least six weeks in advance. Due to budgetary constraints, attendance/participation could be reduced or curtailed.

Logtech (4 days)
LOGTECH executive education programs have been designed for military and industry leaders in logistics and supply chain management to develop and improve their knowledge, decision-making processes, collaborative skills and networking opportunities The organizational framework for the programs involves the critical discussion and analysis of practices and supporting technologies that combine to enable the transformation of logistics. Furthermore, LOGTECH explores the environments within which logistics leaders will have to implement logistics technologies from the strategic and operational perspective.

Pinnacle (5 days)**
The course prepares prospective joint/combined force commanders to lead joint and combined forces, building upon the progression of knowledge imparted first by CAPSTONE and then by the Joint Flag Officer Warfighting Course. Attendance will be coordinated with GOs in CJCS specified billets by the ASEP Program Manager.

Reserve Component General Officer Legal Orientation (RC GOLO) (2.5 Days)
This purpose of the course is to familiarize Reserve Component general officers with the legal responsibilities and issues commonly faced by division, installation, and other major activity commanders. A full range of military law topics will be covered during this 2.5 day course. Topics covered include standards of conduct, Military Justice, Unlawful Command Influence, Command Authority as well as other important legal issues general officers will encounter.

The course increases attendees’ understanding of the US Government policies and procedures for the transfer of defense articles and services and to provide an appreciation of the international environment in which they must function.

**Senior Executive Diversity Awareness Training (SEDAT) (two days)**
The Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute (DEOMI), Patrick AFB, Florida sponsors the Senior Executive Diversity Awareness Course for general officers/SES. It is taught at Cocoa Beach, Florida or included in the Brigadier General Training Conference. This training is mandatory and must be completed within one year of assignment to the position as a brigadier general.

**Senior Joint Information Operations Applications Course (SJIOAC) (5 days)**
The course prepares attendees to develop Information Operations into a war fighting core military competency that will enable Combatant Commanders to target adversary decision-making while protecting our forces. All attendees must have a valid TS-SCI clearance.

**Senior Leader Seminar, Phase II (SLS, Ph II) (4 weeks)**
The SLS-Phase II Course is designed to improve the strategic-mindedness and strategic-level oral and written communication skills of the CSA selected promotable Colonels and Brigadier Generals. The course provides a learning experience focused on thinking, leading and communicating at the strategic level and exercises officers in writing for publication and speaking publicly on issues of Strategic Landpower.

**Systems Acquisition Management Course for General/Flag Officers (ACQ 404) (5 days)**
This 1-week course for general/flag officers and SES civilians focuses on understanding the perspectives of key government and defense industry decision makers. The course includes discussion of topics affecting the defense systems acquisition environment.

**The Army Senior Leader Communicator Workshop (PAO)(4 hours)**
This course is conducted by OCPA in the Army Studio in the Pentagon. It is a one-on-one training course to help GOs master the skills necessary to deal successfully with both the media and the public. PAO Training dates are not pre-established.

**The CJCS Level IV AT (Anti-Terrorism) Executive Seminar (3 days)**
DEPLOYING GOs ONLY **
The CJCS Level IV AT (Anti-Terrorism) Executive Seminar provides senior military and civilian leaders focused updates, detailed briefings, and AT / consequence management war games. The training is designed to accommodate the perspective and decision-making considerations of senior leaders -- COL to MG. It targets commanders and personnel, including AT officers and JTF commanders, who have at program policy, planning, and operations responsibilities.