Eisenhower National Security Series

“To help promote … a common knowledge and understanding of the critical issues of our time.”

- Dwight D. Eisenhower

July 1948, “The Veteran Wants to Know”

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THE UNITED STATES ARMY WAR COLLEGE

The U.S. Army War College, located in Carlisle Barracks, Pa., represents the highest level of education offered by the military services. It is designed to equip carefully selected senior officers and civilians with the competencies required of strategic leaders of the United States Armed Forces. The original Army War College was established on 27 November 1901.

"Not to promote war, but to preserve peace by intelligent and adequate preparation to repel aggression…to study and confer on the great problems of national defense, of military science and responsible command."

Approximately 360 students, including senior officers from all branches of the Armed Forces, senior civilian representatives from a variety of U.S. Government agencies, and senior military officers from 66 foreign countries, attend a 10-month graduate-level course of study. Army War College students examine national security issues and strategy development, regional affairs, current and future challenges for national defense and the responsibilities of senior-level command. Successful completion of all the requisite requirements established by the Army War College for granting a degree results in the awarding of the Master of Strategic Studies degree.

Each year a few students at the U.S. Army War College participate in the Eisenhower National Security Series and travel outside Carlisle Barracks to engage in discussions with other students, academics, and the public about national security issues and the employment of military assets.

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Eisenhower National Security Series is the U.S. Army War College’s communication and outreach program designed to encourage dialogue on national security and other public policy issues between its students and the public. The program focuses its efforts on students and faculty at academic institutions, professional organizations, civic groups, business organizations, and local media.

The program generally consists of ten to twelve students and a faculty moderator. Panel members are selected for their experience, interest, and knowledge of national security issues. In addition to their Army War College coursework, they undertake an intensive individual study program throughout the academic year. Though the members will address government policies, the views they express are their own, based on personal experience, research, academic study, and reflection. Panel members are prepared to discuss national public policy and current social issues and their impact on the United States Armed Forces.
HOW IT WORKS

Although the format may change depending upon our hosts’ preferences, the basic organization of an Eisenhower panel event includes a brief introduction of panel members and their subject areas of expertise, followed by presentations by each panelist to provide context, and a discussion with the audience. Our experience has shown that question and answer sessions are the best way to create a thought-provoking forum for a stimulating exchange of ideas. This important aspect provides the audience an opportunity to express their respective ideas in an orderly and considerate manner.

Scheduling is flexible and intended to satisfy the desires of our hosts and to maximize interaction with the audience. The panel can participate in a variety of programs, depending on the specific host’s preferences. Panel members might:

- attend individual classes and engage with students;
- participate in seminars or faculty discussions;
- sit as a “panel” before larger assemblies; or
- join as members of an open audience.

Because of the broad experiences and the diverse areas of study of the individual members, the panel members are able to complement many professional and academic programs in a variety of disciplines. The following pages contain information on the backgrounds of the Eisenhower panel members for this academic year.

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Captain Krotow was born in Media, Pennsylvania and graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1985. Designated a naval Aviator, he has flown over 3500 hours in the P-3C Anti-submarine aircraft in squadrons located in Florida, California and Washington. He commanded Patrol Squadron Forty-Six during OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM.

He served as Assistant Navigator on the USS CARL VINSON (CVN-70) where he earned qualification as a Surface Warfare Officer. Shore tours include Instructor duty at the P-3 Fleet Replacement Squadron, the Bureau of Naval Personnel, USAF Air Command and Staff College, US Navy Europe/Sixth Fleet in Naples, Italy and J-3 Operations at Strategic Headquarters Allied Powers Europe in Mons, Belgium. Before being posted to the faculty at the Army War College he was the U.S. Naval Attaché to the Russian Federation.

Captain Krotow’s personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Bronze Star, Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Air Strike Medal and Navy Commendation W/Valor device.
Larry D. Miller, a native of Alliance, Ohio, holds the degrees Bachelor of Science in Education (Speech/English) and Master of Arts (Communication Studies) from Kent State University. He completed a Ph.D. in Communication Studies at the University of Michigan. Professor Miller was awarded the degree Master of Strategic Studies from the United States Army War College in 2009.

Prior to affiliating with the Army War College in 2004, Miller was a tenured member of the Department of Communication faculty at Wayne State University, Detroit, where he taught courses in Communication Theory, Persuasion and Argumentation, and Quantitative Research Methods. He has held faculty positions at Western Kentucky University, Indiana University-Bloomington, and the University of Nebraska-Kearney where he also served as debate coach and Director of Forensics.

Professor Miller has published in a number of refereed communication journals, including: Communication Education, Communication Studies, Southern Communication Journal, Western Journal of Speech Communication, Communication Yearbook, International and Intercultural Annual, Simulation & Games, Communication Research, and the Quarterly Journal of Speech as well as other outlets. He is a co-author of a Research Monograph published by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association as well as an introductory college level text: Mastering Communication. He is also a former Executive Director and a Past President of the Central States Communication Association.

His War College research project examined Brazil’s National Strategy of Defense and the internal and external challenges that Brazil must negotiate as the nation seeks to become a genuine global player. Miller’s current research involves a critical examination of the communication and publication challenges faced by the six federally funded Senior Service Colleges that are charged with preparing selected military officers for strategic leadership at the national and international levels.
LIEUTENANT COLONEL (P) TONY R. NESBITT
PANEL MEMBER
UNITED STATES ARMY

LTC Tony Nesbitt is a native of St. Croix, United States Virgin Islands; and was raised in Brooklyn, NY. He holds a Bachelor of Business Degree in Healthcare Administration from San Diego State University, and a Master of Science in Administration from Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, MI. He currently is a resident student at the U.S. Army War College. From 2009-2011, he was the Commander, 56th Multifunctional Medical Battalion, Ft. Lewis, WA.

LTC Nesbitt commissioned as a Medical Service Corps Officer with an area of special emphasis in Medical Operations, logistics and planning. He spent a 19 year career in multiple assignments at various operational and strategic levels. He has served in operations Restore Hope, Andrew Relief, Desert Thunder, Desert Fox, and Haiti Relief. This includes participation in various missions and exercises around the world as well as multiple assignments on the Army and Joint Staffs.

Tony’s awards and decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (6 awards), Army Commendation medal, Humanitarian Assistance Medal, Expeditionary Service Medal, Meritorious Voluntary Service medal, the Expert Field Medical Badge, the Airborne Badge, and the Air Assault Badge. He is a graduate of the Combat Casualty Care Course, the Combined Arms Service Staff School, The Command and General Staff Course, the Medical Materiel Management Internship, and one of Training With Industry with the Logistics Management Institute in McLean, VA.
Colonel Scotty Patton enlisted in the Oklahoma Army National Guard in 1986 as a Private E-1 in the Infantry and has risen to the rank of Colonel in the Regular Army. Originally from Sallisaw, OK, he holds a Bachelor of Arts in History from Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, OK, a Masters of Human Resource Management from Webster University in St Louis, MO, and is a graduate of the Command General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, KS. Currently, he is a resident student at the U.S. Army War College. From 2010-2011, he was the Chief of Fires (Field Artillery) for 2nd Infantry Division Camp Red Cloud Korea. Previously, he was the Battalion Commander for 1st / 19th Field Artillery at Fort Sill, OK.

COL Patton commissioned as a Regular Army Field Artillery Officer in 1989. Qualifications include the Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, and the Pathfinder Badge. He has served in Operations Desert Shield/Storm with the 101st Airborne Division Air Assault, Operation Desert Strike with the 1st Cavalry Division, and Operation Iraqi Freedom I and II with the 1st Armored Division. He also participated in NATO missions in Hungary in 2002 and assisted the South Korean Army during Yeonpyeong Island artillery attack from North Korea in November 2010.

Awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal and the Army Achievement Medal.
COLONEL NESTOR A. SADLER
PANEL MEMBER
UNITED STATES ARMY

COL Nestor A. Sadler is a native of Panama City, Panama; and was raised in Hampton, VA. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mass Communications from Norfolk State University in Norfolk, VA., a Master of Science in Administration from Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, MI, and a Master of National Security and Strategic Studies Degree from the Naval War College, Newport, RI. He currently is a resident student at the U.S. Army War College. From 2010-2011, he was the Commander, Joint Special Operations Task Force – Trans Sahel, assigned to the Special Operations Command Africa, Stuttgart, Germany.

Initially COL Sadler was commissioned as an Infantry officer, but he has spent the last 19 years serving in various Special Forces assignments. He has served in Operation Just Cause and Operation Enduring Freedom. He has also participated in various missions throughout countries in Africa and Central and South America.

His awards and decorations include: Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Award, Special Forces Tab, Ranger Tab, Sapper Tab, Senior Parachutist Badge and Australian Parachutist Badge.
Lieutenant Colonel Brian Scott is the son of a Navy Chief Petty Officer; he has lived around the world but calls San Diego home. He entered the Army in 1990 as an Armor officer and subsequently changed his specialty to Military Intelligence. He holds a bachelor’s degree in Political Science from the University of Tampa, is a graduate of the Army’s Command and General Staff College, and is currently a student at the U.S. Army War College.

He is a veteran of military operations in Bosnia, Kosovo, Iraq, and Afghanistan. His last assignment was at the National Counterterrorism Center where he worked with the National Security Staff on the development and implementation of National Counterterrorism policy and strategy.

His Awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Ranger Tab, Senior Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Combat Assault Badge, and German Armed Forces Badge.
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