# EXPEDITIONARY CULTURE FIELD GUIDES AND CULTURE GUIDE APP

With our Culture Guide App, Airmen and Guardians gain accessible, relevant, impactful curriculum to enhance interoperability at enterprise scale and speed without the limitations of connectivity and accessibility of government IT. In addition, we equip Airmen and Guardians to succeed in the ever-changing military landscape through our Expeditionary Culture Field Guides; educational courses on developing cultural competence, Chinese culture, and Russian culture; and our video library of LREC-focused content. Airmen and Guardians receive a Certificate of Completion ready to upload to their learning record when completing a course.

"Collectively, we Americans lack an adequate understanding of Chinese culture. We run a significant risk of misinterpretation and missed signals when we project our own perspectives upon Chinese actions and communications."

Secretary of the Air Force Frank Kendall,
 Air Force Magazine









## **AU LREC SYMPOSIUM**

Air University and the AFCLC's Annual Language, Regional Expertise, and Culture Symposium bring together some of the biggest names in the military community to share expertise and innovative thoughts on topics specific to culture and language education in the military.

Through interactive panels and in-depth cultural discussions, the AU LREC Symposium gives attendees the opportunity to network, gather, and learn from each other.



# **LEARN MORE**





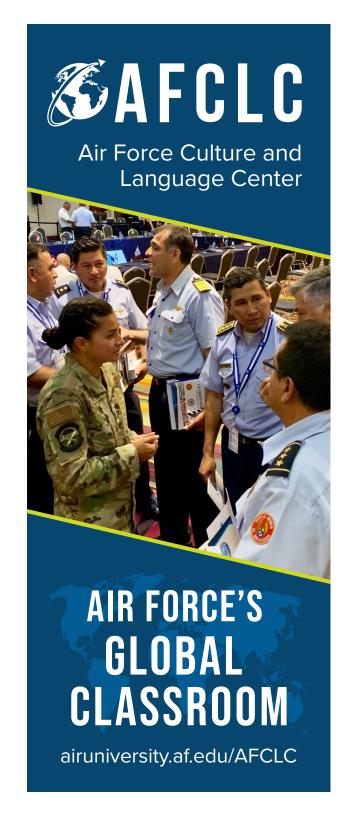




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## **ABOUT US**

The Air Force Culture and Language Center was born from the ashes of the terrorist attacks against the United States on 9/11. Our enemies brought war to our soil, and the question eventually became, was America's military equipped to wage war on an enemy and operate with partners we did not understand?



Today, AFCLC creates innovative learning strategies for our Airmen and Guardians that build understanding of our adversaries' ways of war, and increase diverse partner interoperability for joint operations worldwide to accomplish the Department of Defense's mission. Creating a successful partnership with trusting and trustworthy allies means operating and communicating together. To accomplish that, our Airmen and Guardians require the maximum scope of a cutting edge language, regional expertise, and culture education.

LREC education is the business of AFCLC, from our distance learning courses to our Culture Guide app and the Language Enabled Airman Program. AFCLC empowers the Total Force with innovative LREC training, resources, and capabilities to expand and improve our partner interoperability on the global stage.

We are AFCLC, the Air Force's Global Classroom.

### WHAT WE DO

### PROFESSIONAL MILITARY EDUCATION

AFCLC's Culture/Regions Division develops and delivers an academically rigorous curriculum on areas of human interaction relevant to the needs of the Total Force. Our faculty are highly credentialed and recognized across the Department of Defense for expertise within culture and communication disciplines. They provide educational instruction, consultation services, and research in cross-cultural competence, intercultural communication, and various regional and disciplinary expertise. In addition, AFCLC's faculty teach electives and core modules at several professional military education schools, offer guidance across the DoD, and publish and present in their academic fields.

### **DISTANCE LEARNING COURSES**

AFCLC offers two distance learning courses twice annually, "Introduction to Culture" and "Introduction to Cross-Cultural Communication." ITC and CCC are available to enlisted members of the U.S. Armed Forces (Active Duty, Reserve Component, and National Guard) enrolled in the Community College of the Air Force and present concepts and skills to build cross-cultural competence. ITC and CCC can each fulfill three semester credit hour requirements in CCAF degrees.

### LANGUAGE ENABLED AIRMAN PROGRAM

LEAP is an AFCLC-managed volunteer program open to Active Duty, officer, and enlisted service members in most career fields. LEAP develops language-enabled,

















**LEAP Scholars** 

cross-cultural service members across the General Purpose Force to better support DoD missions by strengthening partnerships and interoperability. LEAP Scholars build language skills through online synchronous language courses and immersive training events.

#### **eMENTOR COURSES**

eMentor language courses assess, enhance, and sustain language learning throughout the LEAP Scholar's career. Live, synchronous lessons incorporate topics culturally relevant to regions where Scholars may be expected to operate with air and space forces and populations worldwide. Each course targets growth in all four modalities (listening, speaking, reading, and writing), builds cross-cultural knowledge and enhances intercultural communication skills.

#### LANGUAGE INTENSIVE TRAINING EVENTS

LEAP Scholars participate in 1-4 week traditional and advanced LITEs for intensive training in schools and events through Training Partnership Requests. TPRs allow the DoD and other governmental organizations to request the integration of LEAP Scholars in bilateral or international military education and training events, Mobile Training Teams, exercises, conferences, and document translations.

## PRE-ASSIGNMENT ACCULTURATION COURSES

Designed by AFCLC's academic experts, PACs are executive leadership curricula ranging from one to five days of extensive coursework tailored to fit the needs of each student . PAC equips Air Force general officers and colonels, senior enlisted leaders, and leaders in specializations such as air force investigations for key overseas operational and staff assignments with instruction on culture/region with some foreign language and communication training. Each session is based on the leader's upcoming assignment and previous experience in the target country. AFCLC's faculty determines the curriculum and lesson plans for the individualized course and collaborates with other cultural and regional academics.