ACSC ARCS is a 2-week program that replaces a significant portion of the traditional ACSC distance learning (DL) curriculum with in-residence courses. Students will participate in small group seminar discussions, guest lectures, workshops and exercises facilitated by Air University’s academic and military faculty. **Upon completion of ARCS, students will be 60% complete with their ACSC DL.**

**RE: ACSC DISTANCE LEARNING, DO YOU WISH YOU COULD:**

- Do more than click-through slides and take progress checks?
- Accomplish the most challenging DL courses in person with your peers vs. alone online?
- Meet and network with other Majors at the same point in their PME journey?

**DESCRIPTION**

ACSC ARCS for 2024 is a Pilot Test for Global College’s Agile Learning initiative. The goal of Agile Learning is to enhance the distance learning student experience, by introducing an in-person PME alternative.

ARCS students will take select, newly developed Agile Learning courses in place of select ACSC 7.0 courses. Upon completion of ARCS, students will be 60% complete with their ACSC DL.

**BENEFITS**

- Ability to focus exclusively on coursework
- Access to Air University experts
- Networking with peers
- Hear directly from Reserve Component Senior Leaders
- Real-time discussions/collaboration
- Informative presentations on current and relevant topics
- Direct input into the future of Distance Learning

**AT A GLANCE**

**ACSC ARCS IS FOR:**

- Guard and Reserve O4/O4 selects that are enrolled in ACSC DL
- Students who think they would enjoy ACSC in-residence but just can’t make the year-long PCS make sense right now
- Students wanting more from the online curriculum
- Those who need/want focused time to work on PME and are prepared to accomplish a significant amount of coursework during the two weeks
- Those who want to test the future of DL and provide feedback to shape new initiatives.

**ACSC ARCS IS NOT FOR:**

- Those who don’t enjoy learning, critical thinking, and discussing opposing viewpoints
- Students who want to skip readings and click through slides as fast as possible without engaging with the material

“Great course, I did it last year. It was just the motivation I needed to jumpstart ACSC and finish in 6 months!”
MANDATORY PRE-REQUISITES:
Students must be enrolled in ACSC DL and complete the courses listed below BEFORE attending ACSC ARCS. Enrollment in ARCS will automatically enroll you into the Agile Learning (AL) prerequisites.

- Online Orientation and skills development course
- 5-week Agile Learning Joint Course. This course is an asynchronous online facilitated course taking place 22 April - 24 May 2024

COURSES YOU WILL ACCOMPLISH DURING ACSC ARCS:
- AL Joint Planning Suite (instead of JNT631S, 632S, 633S, & 634A)
- AL Leadership Suite (instead of LDR 601S & 602A)
- Focused Studies Elective courses

COURSES YOU WILL ACCOMPLISH OUTSIDE ACSC ARCS TO COMPLETE ACSC DL:

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HOW TO APPLY:
Interested students will submit their ARCS application to the POC listed below by 8 April 2024. The application requires member’s unit to acknowledge unit funding of the two-week TDY to Maxwell AFB. In addition, member will sign indicating they understand their requirement to complete the course pre-requisites prior to traveling to Maxwell AFB.

Additional course information:
https://www.airuniversity.af.edu/GCPME/ARCS/

STUDENT REVIEWS
- “Definitely a must, I did this and made so many friends. We motivated each other to complete ACSC and the course is great! If you are considering, I highly recommend it!”
- “A lot of the briefings were really informative. I’m more educated now about current operations than I was before I attended.”
- “ARCS... provided fantastic enrichment to the otherwise distance PME program.”

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