

ARCS | Agile ACSC

MAXWELL AFB – 2026

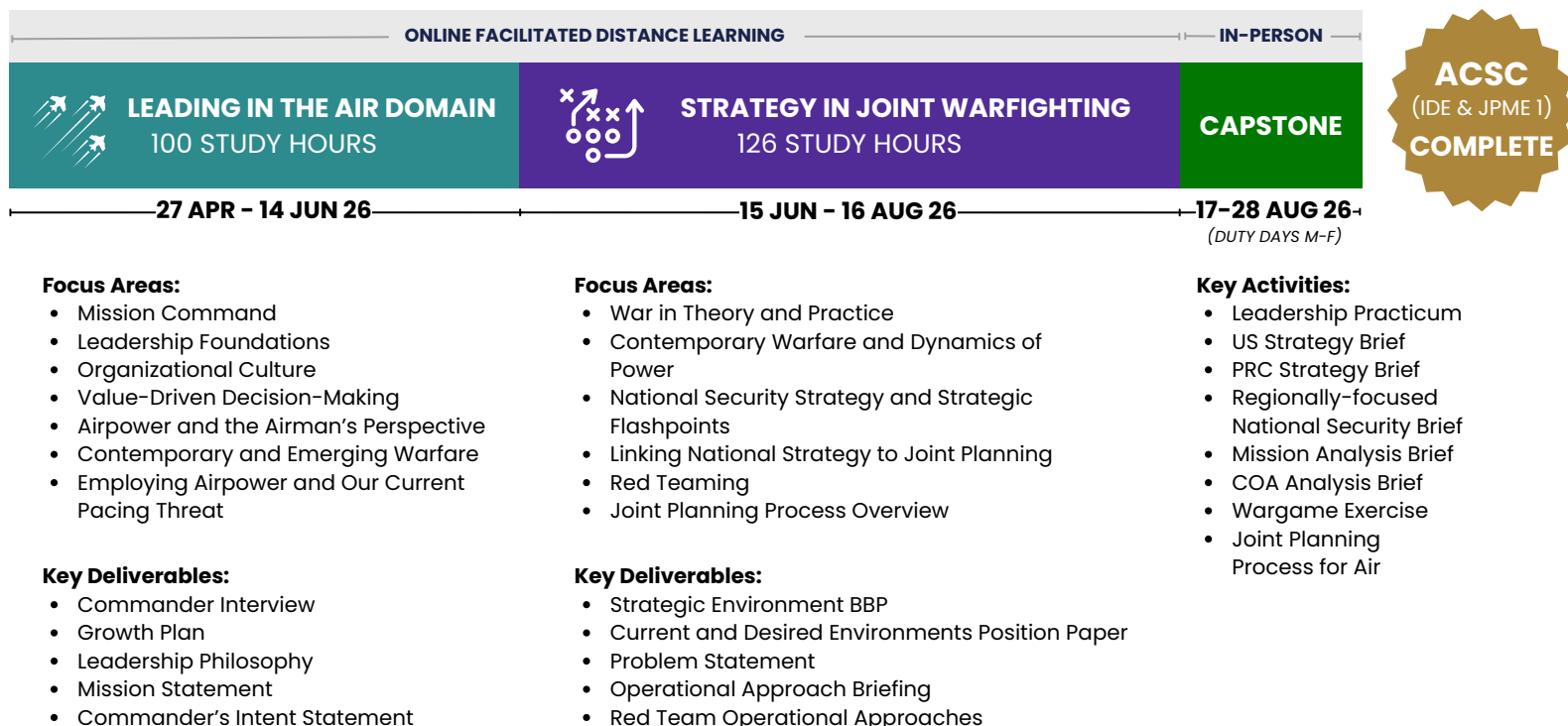


Agile Air Command and Staff College (AGILE ACSC) is a **blended** learning IDE and JPME I modality offering a new way to deliver PME for non-resident students. It combines instructor-facilitated, **interdisciplinary** online courses culminating with a two-week, in-person Capstone. Students will experience an enriched learning environment, peer networking, and the opportunity to grow skills they and their commanders can use immediately through the application of leadership, airpower, national security, and joint planning concepts in a practical, mission-relevant setting.

Why ARCS | Agile ACSC?

Air Force Global College recognizes that not all adults learn the same way. Agile ACSC was designed for the non-resident student to capitalize on the best practices of online and in-person learning to offer the “reps and sets” needed to build skills that apply in both strategic scenarios and daily operational environments. Unlike traditional distance learning, Agile ACSC gives students an opportunity to earn IDE and JPME I credit in 4.5 months. Agile ACSC aligns with the goals of ARCS to provide Guard & Reserve ACSC students with an in-residence experience.

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Benefits

- Enhanced educational experience
- Structured cohort design
- Peer networking and connections
- Practice and develop durable skills
- Meets Air Operations Planner SEI educational requirement

ARCS | Agile ACSC is for the student that...

- wants to complete IDE and JPME I in a focused, accelerated timeline
- would benefit from structured guidance, instructor interaction, and team-based learning
- wants more than a self-paced experience—but can manage their own time
- has the bandwidth to consistently dedicate to online PME for 4 months

“It was the most fun learning experience I’ve had with the Air Force / Air University. 10/10”



ARCS | AGILE ACSC TIMELINE

APPLICATION DATES

- 1 Nov 25 – 12 Feb 26** Application window open
- 19 Feb 26** Primary and Alternates Notified
- 26 Feb 26** Final Student Enrollment
- 20 Apr 26** Last day to move from waitlist into class slot



COURSE DATES

- 27 April – 14 June 2026** Facilitated Online Course - Leading in the Air Domain
- 15 June – 16 Aug 2026** Facilitated Online Course - Strategy in Joint Warfighting
- 17-28 August 2026** ACSC ARCS (In-person Capstone)

HOW TO APPLY

RESERVE: You must apply via the RSSB through MyVector.

GUARD: Due to the increased demand for participation in ARCS, ***we are no longer accepting applicants on a first come first serve basis***. The following outlines the application and selection process for 2026. To apply for the Air Reserve Component Seminar (ARCS), follow these steps:

1. Obtain Endorsement: A Wing Commander or equivalent must sign an endorsement letter ranking all ARCS applicant as #X out of X candidates from their unit. ***Use the template provided on ARCS Webpage.*** *Members on stat tours:* please reach out to your director with your intent to apply as your endorsement letter will be signed by the ANGRC/CC. There is also a ranking guidance MFR for commanders.
 - a. The rankings will be used to facilitate a merit-based selection process, aligning with the Air Force Global College's Agile ACSC selection strategy.
 - b. Applicants not selected will be placed on a waitlist based on their rankings, with higher-ranked candidates prioritized.
2. Apply online: Each applicant must complete the online application form (ARCS webpage) where they will upload their endorsement letter. (requires CAC login)

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ARCS WEBPAGE: AirUniversity.af.edu/GCPME/ARCS/

- Endorsement MFR
- Ranking Guidance
- Application Form (CAC required)