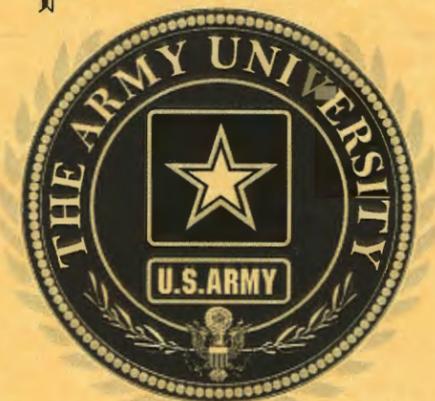


The Army University

Proclamation



"Educating Army Professionals to Win in a Complex World"

We the undersigned are committed to establishing a university system within the United States Army to improve investment in education, transform our academic institutions, and grow professionals with the intellectual capacity to win in a complex world. The Army University will become a premier learning institution for the Total Army developing both military and civilian professionals who can understand and operate successfully within a complex future security environment. The Army University will accomplish this by increasing the rigor of the Army's educational programs through broader accreditation, promoting greater collaboration with the Nation's premier universities and colleges, and improving integration among Army schools. As the security environment continues to evolve, the Army University will deliver crucial educational requirements in advance of need, lead through innovation, and develop a culture that values life-long learning.

THEREFORE, WE THE CHARTER MEMBERS OF THE ARMY UNIVERSITY,
PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING IDEALS AND BELIEFS:

- The Army University represents a greater investment in our Soldiers and Civilians through improved education that will increase competence, character, and commitment.
- The Army University supports growth and leader development across a career of service in the Army preparing competent and committed leaders of character who demonstrate the required leader attributes.
- The Army University develops agile, adaptive, and innovative military professionals through increased academic rigor.
- The Army University supports the Total Army with increased educational opportunity for the Army National Guard and Army Reserve.
- The Army University enhances the ability of military professionals to integrate their military and civilian education receiving valid academic credit for their educational investment.
- The Army University improves Soldiers' ability to transition into quality employment opportunities after their service promoting the "Soldier for Life" model.

We believe that the creation of Army University is the next logical step in the continued professionalization of the Army that began with the transition to an all-volunteer force forty years ago. Understanding the historical importance of this effort, we are committed to transforming one of the largest academic systems in the United States into a premier university system that harnesses the tremendous energy, experience, and intellectual capacity in our Army to produce the professionals that the Nation will need for a complex and uncertain world tomorrow.

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