

Military Education

Officer Basic Leader Course (OBLC)

Course Location: AMEDD C&S, Fort Sam Houston TX

Length: 9 weeks

Overview: Provides performance-oriented training to newly commissioned Active Duty AMEDD officers in the following Corps: MC, AN , SP (minus 65D), DC , VC, and MS (minus 70B/67J). A 7 week core course covering general subjects and basic soldier/leader skills required to execute field training. The course consists of 3 Field Training Exercises (Individual, Collective, and AMEDD Skills) and addition 2 week track specific training focused on each AMEDD Branch. This course will provide the newly commissioned AMEDD officer with the basic skills and knowledge necessary to effectively function in an AMEDD unit.

Course website: <http://www.cs.amedd.army.mil/obc/>

AMEDD Captain's Career Course (ACCC)

Course Location: AMEDD C&S, Fort Sam Houston, TX

Length: 9 weeks

Overview: The AMEDD Captains Career Course is a challenging, two-phased course designed to prepare company and field grade officers for command, staff positions, and other roles within the AMEDD. The Captains Career Course is conducted by the Leader Training Center (LTC), AMEDD Center & School. The course is a combination of Distance Learning (Phase I) and Small Group Instruction (Phase II).

Eligibility: 1LT (P) - CPT

Application Instructions:

ACCC Phase I Enrollment Instructions:

Effective 29 Nov. 2006, the "legacy" Captains Career Course (CCC) Phase 1 is available for those officers who are interested in attending the CCC. The "new" Phase 1 which was to be fielded in November 2006 and was subsequently pushed to January 2007 may now not be fielded until later in 2007. Because many AMEDD officers who waited for the new Phase 1 to be fielded need the CCC to advance, the Leader Training Center decided to allow the AMEDD officers to enroll in the legacy phase 1. To enroll in the Legacy Phase 1 of the Captains Career Course, the officers need to do the following:

1. Go to website <http://www.atrrs.army.mil>
2. Click on **Self Development**
3. Click on **Continue to Self Development**
4. Sign in using CAC Card, AKO Password, or DOB and SSN
5. Select course **6-8-C22(DL)**
6. Complete the application and submit.

Course Website: <https://www.us.army.mil/suite/page/140012>

Other Information: Plan ahead – before you enroll in Phase I, make an appointment to see your supervisor and Chief Nurse to plan on when you'll attend Phase II then backwards plan so that you'll have Phase I done and a completion certificate in hand at least 6 months before the date you'd like to start Phase II.

ACCC Phase II Enrollment Cancellations/Change Requests:

Officers wishing to cancel or change their enrollment from OAC Phase II must submit a memo thru their chief nurses or education coordinators to LTC Galloway NLT 2 weeks before the course starts. Send the letter to LTC Kevin Galloway. Please note that officers that cancel without adequate notice will be considered as "no shows".

ACCC Phase II Completion Waivers: Remember that active component officers have two years from the date of registration for Phase I to complete the entire course (both Phase I and the resident Phase II).

The AMEDD Center and School may grant a one time one year extension waiver to this requirement if the request is justified (generally this is limited to unplanned deployments). To request a waiver, send an e-mail message to Dr. Robert Leeds (robert.leeds@us.army.mil) listing your name, ssn, date of phase I enrollment, projected date for attending phase II and reason for the waiver. Please send a courtesy copy of the message to LTC Anthony Bohlin (anthony.bohlin@amedd.army.mil) and LTC Galloway (kevin.galloway@us.army.mil) as well as your CN.

ILE (Intermediate Level Education)

Course Location: Please see below under **Options**

Length: Please see below under **Options**

Overview: Intermediate Level Education (ILE) course has replaced the legacy Command and General Staff College (CGSC) familiar to many officers. Completion of this military education level is a promotion discriminator for LTC and officers should work with their leadership to develop a plan to complete this course within the appropriate time period. As soon as you are selected for promotion to MAJOR, you should begin planning to complete this course.

Eligibility: CPT (P)- MAJ

Options: Active Duty Army Nurse Corps officers have three options for completing ILE.:

Option 1 *

– Attend **ILE at a Course Location (ILE CL)**. This is a 13 week course offered via distance learning in several locations throughout the year. **All AMEDD officers must be board selected to attend this course. The Order of Merit List (OML) is created from the Department of the Army selection board at HRC. Officers are notified that they are on the OML and surveyed for their preferences for course locations and dates.** Due to the limited number of seats available for AMEDD officers at these courses, **a relatively small number of those on the OML can expect to complete the ILE requirement through the ILE CL option.**

Option 2 *

- Attend a **Reserve Component ILE course**. This is a three phased course offered over a 13 month period. Phase I consists of a two week TDY to one of several locations in the early summer months. Phase II is then conducted at local reserve units one weekend day or one weeknight weekly between October and May. There are a limited number of absences allowed during Phase II, therefore officers should plan accordingly when selecting this option.

Phase III is another two week course attended while in a TDY status in the early summer months.

Please consult the appropriate Reserve Component website for course dates and times:
<https://cgsc2.leavenworth.army.mil/nrs/faculty/TASS/brigade.asp>

Submit a completed DA 3838 (fax or scanned copy) ATTN: LTC Kevin Galloway for each phase as you are ready to attend.

Option 3 *

- **ILE Correspondence Course** This option is done entirely by correspondence and officers are allowed up to 18 months for completion. Enrollment in this option is performed directly by the officer through the Command and General Staff College website at : <https://cgsc2.leavenworth.army.mil/nrs/index.asp>

*A 2 year Active Duty Service Obligation (ADSO) is incurred regardless of the manner in which ILE is completed. Each of these three options appears on the officer's ORB in the exact same way. The method of completion is invisible and therefore is not a discriminator for the officer.

Defense Strategy Course

Course Location: Distance Learning through AWC

Length: 6 Months

Overview: Course proponent is the U.S. Army War College. This Distance Education program is offered twice each year (January and June). Fifty active duty, twenty-five U.S. Army Reserve, and twenty-five Army National Guard officers can be accepted for each course. The purpose of the Defense Strategy Course is to improve student understanding about the role of the Department of Defense in the development of national security strategy. The focus of the course is the role DOD plays in the development of national security strategy within a complex and changing international environment. The DSC addresses the national security policymaking process and the relationship of the national elements of power to defense strategy.

No formal Military Education Level is awarded for completion of the Defense Strategy Course.

Prerequisites: Officers enrolling in the Defense Strategy Course must:

--Have credit for CGSC/equivalent schooling (MEL-4)

--Not be enrolled in or have completed a Senior Service College Program (MEL-1)

Enrollment: Submit DA 3838 to AN Branch. Because of the limited number of seats in each course, not all applicants are guaranteed a seat. Applicants will be notified via AKO email when they have been successfully registered for this course. HRC deadline for submitting DA 3838 for the Defense Strategy Course is 2 months prior to course start.

Course Website: <http://dde.carlisle.army.mil/ce-dsc/dsc.htm>

AMEDD Training Opportunities (Short Courses)

Head Nurse Leader Development Course

Course Location: Double Tree Hotel, San Antonio, TX (see website for additional instructions)

Length: 12 days

Overview: The purpose of this course is to prepare ANs and DAC RNs to function in mid level

leadership and management positions throughout the AMEDD. The course provides executive skills content with emphasis on personal leadership, skills development, defining organizational milieu, troop unit leadership and decision making methods which facilitate efficient and effective management of personnel, logistics, training and fiscal responsibilities.

Eligibility: Active/Reserve ANs and Department of the Army Civilians (DAC) RNs with an actual or anticipated assignment to a Clinical Head Nurse role, or a company grade staff role, or junior field grade position within a medical unit. Completion of AMEDD Officer Basic Course for ANs. Current and unrestricted RN license. Minimum of one year of experience in military nursing. ANs must be in compliance with AR 600-9 and AR 350-41.

Application Instructions: NOTE: All participants must be enrolled in ATRRS NLT 2 weeks before the course start date. You will not receive funding if you enroll less than 2 weeks from the posted start date. Active Duty enrollment is through LTC Galloway (all others, please see course website). See below under "How do I register for short courses." Fund cite will be sent to you from Central Training Branch, FSHTX, 210-295- 9613. Local units generate the 1610. Please contact your MTF education section for additional information.

Course Website: <http://www.dns.amedd.army.mil/HNLCLetter.aspx>

[Advanced Nurse Leadership Course](#)

Course Location: Phase II will be at your local installation Digital Training Facilities (DTF). See website below for your local DTF sites. On the right side of the screen, click on [DLS Facility POC list](#). OCONUS students may be authorized Phase II attendance in residence at the AMEDDC&S. Funding is limited and is decided on an OML. Please contact MAJ Susan Argueta at 210 (221) 6080 for further questions on location.

Length: 5 days

Overview: The purpose of the ANLC is to prepare Army Nurses to function in the many AMEDD advanced leadership and management positions they may face. This course provides executive skills content with a focus on major trends in health care affecting the military health care delivery system; personal leadership skills development; and decision-making and resource management strategies that will support the mission of the Army Medical Department.

Eligibility: Active and reserve ANs in the rank of MAJ and above and Department of the Army Civilian RNs whose actual or anticipated AMEDD assignment involves advanced nursing administration and management responsibilities. Completion of AMEDD Officer Advanced Course for ANs. Current and unrestricted RN license. ANs must be in compliance with AR 600-9 and AR 350-41.

Application Instructions: Active Duty enrollment is through LTC Galloway (all others, please see course website). See below under "How do I register for short courses."

Course Website: <http://www.dns.amedd.army.mil/ANPD/Leader/anlc.htm>

[6A-C4 Combat Casualty Course \(C4\)](#)

Course Location: The course includes 3 days of professional programs at the Defense Medical Readiness Training Institute, Fort Sam Houston, TX and five-days of intensive field training at Camp Bullis, Texas.

Length: 8 days

Overview: C4 is a basic tri-service continuing medical education program designed to enhance the operational medical readiness skills of physicians, nurses, physician assistants, dentists, and other specialty healthcare providers intended for initial entry medical professionals with minimal field exposure. C4 prepares junior tri-service medical officers with the knowledge critical in conducting Level I & II healthcare operations in an austere, combat environment. C4 provides training in leadership skills, field medical knowledge and the practical information needed for direct medical support of tactical units under combat conditions. Note: Nurses attending C4 will have the opportunity to receive certification in TNCC (Trauma Nurse Care Course).

Eligibility: Any highly motivated officers interested in enhancing their operational medical

readiness skills.

Application Instructions: See below under "How do I register for short courses."

Course Website: <http://www.dmrta.army.mil/> Then drill down on: [Combat Casualty Care Course \(C4\)](#)

[6A-C4A Joint Operations Medical Managers Course \(JOMMC\)](#)

Course Location: Fort Sam Houston, Tx

Length: 5 days

Overview: JOMMC is a course that prepares senior healthcare personnel (O3 through O6) to serve as leaders in support of joint operational missions. As commanders, administrators and department chiefs, tri-service medical officers are expected to establish and maintain operational facilities and theater healthcare operations during wartime, sustainment & support operations (SASO) and Military Operations Other Than War (MOOTW). JOMMC provides familiarization with all the facets of preparing for and executing joint health service.

Eligibility: CPT through COL

Application Instructions: See below under "How do I register for short courses."

Course Website: <http://www.dmrta.army.mil/> Then drill down on: [Joint Operations Medical Managers Course \(JOMMC\)](#)

[6H-F26 Medical Management of Chemical and Biological Casualties Course](#)

Course Location: Aberdeen Proving Ground & Ft Detrick, MD

Length: 6 days

Overview: Classroom discussion includes the history and current threat of chemical and biological agent use, the characteristics of threat agents, the pathophysiology and treatment of agent exposure, and the principles of field management of threat agent casualties. In the laboratory, attendees gain valuable, hands-on experience by participating in the resuscitation of a laboratory animal exposed to a nerve agent simulant. In the field, attendees practice the principles of personal protection, triage, treatment, and decontamination of chemical casualties. During this exercise, attendees learn the capabilities and limitations of Mission Oriented Protective Posture (MOPP) when treating casualties in a contaminated environment.

Eligibility: The course is designed for Medical Corps and Nurse Corps officers; physician assistants; Medical Service Corps officers in specialties 67B, C, or E; and other selected medical professionals

Application Instructions: Application for this course is via the Army Training Requirements and Resources System (ATRRS). Requests for attendance should be made through your training branch, see below under "How do I register for short courses." The course is also available via several distance-learning products, including satellite broadcast, video teleconference, and videotape series.

Course Website: <http://www.usamriid.army.mil/education/index.htm>

[6A-F12/300-F26 Enroute Care Course](#)

Course Location: US Army School of Aviation Medicine, Ft Rucker, AL

Length: 12 days

Eligibility: 8A's or M5's in units scheduled to deploy in the next 12 months

Overview: This course provides concise, realistic, relevant and current enroute trauma transport

team training to Joint and Coalition Forces flight medics, registered nurses, physician assistants and physicians conducting aeromedical operations in rotary wing platforms to ensure optimal enroute patient outcomes. (see course website for details , prerequisites, and other info).

Application Instructions: Send scanned DA 3838 to either michael.cluette@amedd.army.mil or richard.t.morton@us.army.mil or fax to (334)255-7475.

Course website: http://usasam.amedd.army.mil/_enroute/index.htm

How do I register for the AMEDD Short courses (all courses above except Enroute Care Course) :

AN Branch handles registration for AD AN officers only. Request for Reserve officer registration should be routed through appropriate Reserve Education office

All requests for short course attendance (DA 3838s) must come through MTF/TOE Chief Nurse or Hospital Education Coordinator. Course enrollment requests accepted NLT 30 days prior to course start date. This allows for sufficient time to place reservation in ATTRS and obtain fund cites.

Ensure DA 3838 includes the following verified items in the remarks section:

1. Duty and home phone numbers

and

2. Mailing address for any course materials or communications (not duty address)

Attach HT/ WT APFT statement.

Email scanned copy (preferable) to LTC Kevin Galloway or FAX DA 3838 to (703)325-2392 (DSN 221) Officers attending courses TDY enroute must have a 1610 (for the TDY period) accompany PCS orders. Contact Ms. Deborah Ardner at Central Training Branch, FSHTX for fund cite information at: 210-221-9113.

Preparation for TDY Courses:

Just a friendly reminder, it is the responsibility of each unit to ensure **that all officers going TDY are able to meet the Army's height/weight and APFT standards.**

Please ensure that officers attending courses TDY enroute have a 1610 (for the TDY timeframe) along with the PCS orders. Ms. Lisa Russell at Central Training Branch, FSHTX is the POC for fund cite information for AOC producing courses. Ms. Debra Ardner is the POC for fund cite information for all other courses.

AOC/ASI Producing Courses:

Critical Care Course and Emergency Nursing Course

Course Manager: LTC Pamela Erickson pamela.erickson@us.army.mil

The Critical Care Course and the Emergency Nursing Courses consist of 2 phases. Phase I is a

self paced online course. Phase II is the traditional resident course at one of the three course sites. Officers begin phase I after selection and enrollment into a course, (approximately 4 months prior to phase II). Officers may not begin phase one more than 6 months prior to phase II start date. Applications should include DA 3838 (see above for process); current APFT/HT/WT statement; and a preference statement for follow on assignment (in memo format).

NOTE: Applicants for the M5 course should also include memo from officer, recommendation from Chief Nurse and a Curriculum Vitae.

Perioperative Nursing Course

Course Manager: LTC Joseph Paulino joseph.paulino@us.army.mil

The Perioperative Nursing Course is held in one of three locations: San Antonio, TX, Tacoma, WA, or El Paso, Texas. **Applications should include DA 3838 (see above for process); current APFT/HT/WT statement; and a preference statement for follow on assignment (in memo format).**

Community Health Nursing, Psychiatric-Mental Health and OB-GYN Nursing Course

Course Manager: LTC Kathleen Ford kathleen.ford@us.army.mil

Applications for Psychiatric-Mental Health and OB-GYN Nursing Course should include the following: DA3838 (see above for process); current APFT/HT/WT statement; and a preference statement for follow on assignment (in memo format).

Applications for the Community Health Nursing Course should include: all of the above noted criteria; and a letter of recommendation from the local Chief, Community Health Nursing

To apply for an AOC/ASI producing course:

1. Complete a DA Form 3838 requesting course type. Location and dates will be determined by AN Branch depending on Chief Nurse input and site availability.
2. Fax (703-325-2392) / Scan in PDF format of DA Form 3838 to HRC ANC Branch, and they will log the application into their records. (If Branch does not hear from the Chief Nurse within 30 days, Branch will contact the facility.)
3. Submit DA Form 3838 through the chain-of-command at your facility. They should process the application within 30 days.
4. The Chief Nurse determines if the applicant is qualified. (Concur: note earliest date available or Non-concur: note reason.)
5. Branch will notify the Chief Nurse and the officer, if selected, of course date & site.

Generic Course Selection Program

The Generic Course Selection Program (GCSP) is a wonderful program offered to junior officers (those who qualify when they access to Active Duty) to receive specialized training in Critical Care Nursing, Psychiatric Nursing, Maternal Child Health Nursing or Perioperative Nursing within

their initial tour of duty (first 3-4 years on Active Duty). We encourage officers to take advantage of this great program; however, specialization in one of these areas of nursing is not required to remain competitive for promotion and career progression. Please keep in mind, the elements that make an officer's record competitive: good performance, meeting AR 600-9 standards, passing APFT, meeting career gates (i.e. ACCC, ILE, LTHET etc), and diversity of positions (TDA, TO&E, clinical, staff etc).

Officers must meet Army height, weight and physical training standards and demonstrate satisfactory professional performance and military conduct prior to course attendance.

You will incur a 1-year concurrent active duty service obligation upon completion of one of the specialty programs. Officers stationed in Germany, Italy, Alaska, and Korea are not authorized the GCSP.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Generic Course Selection Program, please speak with your Nursing chain-of-command or Hospital Education POC or contact MAJ Barrell, AN Branch at Takako.L.Barrell@us.army.mil