

## INFORMATION PAPER: MILITARY HISTORY INSTRUCTOR COURSE 16-02, 25 APRIL – 6 MAY 2016 US Army Combat Studies Institute 21 JANUARY 2016

The Military History Instructor Course (MHIC) is a 13-day/85-hour course designed to prepare ROTC cadre, state military academy cadre, and others with a military history instruction requirement to teach U.S. military history to cadets, candidates, and student officers. The course consists of approximately 60 hours of large-group conference classes to familiarize the students with the US Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) History training support package and U.S. military history in general. There are approximately 5 hours of small group seminars that provide in-depth examinations of teaching methods and teaching aids. Additionally, students will participate in a battlefield staff ride, have an opportunity to fire historic weapons, tour the National World War I Museum in Kansas City, and attend a museum class in order to view examples of non-classroom and non-traditional methods of teaching history to undergraduates. MHIC is graded on a pass/fail system; successful completion earns each participant a transcript from the US Army Command & General Staff College and three graduate level study credits.

Personnel desiring to attend MHIC 16-02 must register for the course in ATTRS (701/5K-F9). Students should arrive at Fort Leavenworth on Sunday, April 24th, and not make return travel arrangements before 1500 on Friday, May 6th. Room availability at the Fort Leavenworth IHG (Holiday Inn) facility (913-684-4091) is limited during April/May and students should make lodging arrangements as soon as possible prior to the course start date. There will also be rooms available at the Fairfield Inn & Suites in Leavenworth, KS (913-758-9303) under MHICC 16-02. Both establishments offer the Government rate for their rooms. There are no shuttles available between the airport or the hotels, so it is highly recommended that each student has a rental car authorized in their TDY orders.

Parts of the course are taught outdoors, and do require walking of up to 2 miles at a time for the staff ride. Students should bring clothing appropriate to the season for both indoor and outdoor activities. Average temperature ranges at Fort Leavenworth are mid 40's to high 70's °F in late April/early May with heavy rains, severe thunderstorms and tornadic activity possible. **Attendees will be required to bring a lunch on the staff ride.**

Attendees should be familiar with both volumes of the textbook *American Military History* (downloadable from the MHIC website at <http://usacac.army.mil/cac2/CSI/MHIC.asp>) and also review the slides for the TRADOC US Military History presentation.

For additional information, contact the Combat Studies Institute, 913-684-2124/2137.