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Colonel Eric Robinson was assigned to the Command and General Staff School and Combined Arms Center (CAC) at Fort Leavenworth July 2015. As the Director for the Department of Distance Education (DDE), he directs day-to-day operations of the DDE serving a worldwide student body population of 6500+ multi-component/service students. The DDE staff provides counseling and administrative support to non-resident students enrolled in Intermediate Level Education - Core Curriculum (ILE-CC) and the Advanced Operations Course (AOC). In June 2015, Colonel Robinson completed an Army War College Fellowship at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Center for Transportation & Logistics (MIT-CTL) focusing on Supply Chain Management (SCM). The year-long fellowship is part of the United States Army War College (USAWC) Senior Service College Fellows (SSCF) program, in which top officers

are selected to attend a masters or fellowship program at colleges and universities across the country. From May 2011 to May 2014, Colonel Robinson was assigned as the Deputy Defense Coordinating Officer and US Army North G-5 Adjunct Planner to the Defense Coordinating Element (DCE) at Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region IV Headquarters in Atlanta, GA. Colonel Robinson is an accredited Certified Emergency Manager (CEM) through the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM). During his tenure at FEMA Region IV, he deployed in support of Hurricane Irene (2011), Hurricane Isaac (2012), Superstorm SANDY (2012), and the Republican National Convention (2012).

Colonel Robinson was commissioned in 1988 as an Infantry Officer (Second Lieutenant), U.S. Army Reserve, after serving in the Reserve Officers Training Corps at the University of South Carolina. Colonel Robinson received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in International Relations from the University of South Carolina in 1988 and a Master of Arts in International Studies/National Security Policy from Troy University in 2003. He is a graduate of the Infantry Officers Basic Course, the Civil Affairs Officer Advanced Course, the Psychological Operations Officer Course, the Combined Arms and Services Staff School and the Joint Information Warfare Staff Officer Course. Additionally he has completed resident Command and General Staff College - Intermediate Level Education (CGSC-ILE) Course at Fort Leavenworth KS and the Advanced Joint Professional Military Education (AJPME) Program, Joint Forces Staff College Norfolk VA. Colonel Robinson is also designated as a Level III (3A) Joint Qualified Officer.

Colonel Robinson's past assignments include J-3 Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Officer, Special Operations Command South (SOCSOUTH), Naval Station Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico (July 2001 – May 2003); Detailed Inspector General, US Army Reserve Command, Fort McPherson GA (May 2003 – September 2005); US Army Exchange Officer, National Defence Headquarters, Ottawa Canada (October 2005 – June 2007). Colonel Robinson (then Major) volunteered to serve in Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in the Kunar Province of Afghanistan from November 2008 to July 2009 where he supported US and coalition reconstruction, security and development efforts. For his exemplary service, he received the Bronze Star Medal, the NATO Service Medal, Navy/Marine Corps Service Achievement Medal and the Combat Action Badge. From September 2009 to May 2011, he served as liaison officer for the Commanding General, US Army Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Command (Airborne) Fort Bragg NC to the US Army Reserve Headquarters Fort McPherson GA. Colonel Robinson has over 30 years of service in the US Army/US Army Reserve.