

ACSC ARCS is a 2-week program that replaces a portion of the traditional ACSC distance learning (DL) curriculum with in-residence and facilitated online Agile Learning courses. Students will participate in small group seminar discussions, guest lectures, workshops and exercises facilitated by Air University's academic and military faculty. ***Upon completion of ARCS, students will be 40% complete with their ACSC DL.***

RE: ACSC DISTANCE LEARNING, DO YOU WISH YOU COULD:

- Do more than click-through slides and take progress checks?
- Accomplish the most challenging DL courses in person with your peers vs. alone online?
- Meet and network with other Majors at the same point in their PME journey?

DESCRIPTION

ARCS students will complete the following ACSC Agile Learning courses in place of ACSC Distance Learning 7.0 courses.

- LDR 652B Agile Learning Leadership & Command (in place of DL LDR 601S & LDR 602A)
- JNT-684B Agile Learning Joint Planning (in place of DL JNT 631S, 632S, 633S, & 634A)

BENEFITS

- Ability to focus exclusively on coursework
- Access to Air University experts
- Networking with peers
- Hear directly from Reserve Component Senior Leaders
- Real-time discussions/collaboration
- Informative presentations on current and relevant topics

MANDATORY PREREQUISITES

Students must be enrolled in ACSC DL and complete the courses listed below **BEFORE** attending ACSC ARCS.

*Enrollment in ARCS will automatically enroll you into the *Agile Learning* prerequisites.

1. ORN 601S
2. GSS 601S
3. *five-week Agile Learning Joint Planning Course.
This course is an asynchronous online facilitated course taking place 21 April - 23 May 2025.

AT A GLANCE

ACSC ARCS IS FOR:

- Guard and Reserve O4/O4 selects that are enrolled in ACSC DL
- Students who think they would enjoy ACSC in-residence but just can't make the year-long PCS make sense right now
- Students wanting more from the online curriculum
- Those who need/want focused time to work on PME and are prepared to accomplish a significant amount of coursework during the two weeks

ACSC ARCS IS NOT FOR:

- Those who don't enjoy learning, critical thinking, and discussing opposing viewpoints
- Students who want to skip readings and click through slides as fast as possible without engaging with the material

“Great course, I did it last year. It was just the motivation I needed to jumpstart ACSC and finish in 6 months!”

ACSC ARCS TIMELINE

- 1 Nov 2024 - 31 Jan 2025: Application window open
- 21 Feb 2025: Applicants notified if they have a slot or are on the waitlist
- 18 April 2025: ACSC ARCS last day to move from waitlist to slot
- 21 April - 23 May 2025: ACSC ARCS Joint Planning online, facilitated course
- 2-13 June 2025: AWC & ACSC ARCS

HOW TO APPLY

RESERVE: You must apply vis the Fall 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 2025.

GUARD: TO APPLY FOR THE AIR RESERVE COMPONENT SEMINAR (ARCS), FOLLOW THESE STEPS:

1. Obtain Endorsement: Your Wing Commander or equivalent must sign an endorsement letter ranking all ARCS applicant as #X out of X candidates from their unit. *You must use template provided on ARCS Webpage.* Members on stat tours: please reach out to the ARCS POC for information on who will sign your endorsement letter.
2. Apply online: Each applicant must complete an online application form where they will upload their endorsement letter. (requires CAC login)

GUARD SELECTION PROCESS:

1. Available slots will be filled with #1 ranked candidates first. If there are more #1 applicants than available slots, a lottery will be conducted to randomly select from the #1 candidates. If there are more slots than #1 candidates, we will then select from the #2 ranked candidates, and then the #3 ranked and so forth, following the same lottery process.
2. Waitlist: All applicants not selected will be placed on a randomized waitlist with #1 ranked candidates above #2 ranked candidates above #3 ranked ...etc.

NOTES:

1. All applications must be submitted by **January 31, 2025.**
2. AWC ARCS has 30 slots.

ARCS webpage: <https://www.airuniversity.af.edu/GCPME/ARCS/>

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