



7TH ARMY NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER ACADEMY



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"Leaders Training Leaders"



Commandant's Corner

Welcome to another edition of the 7th Army NCO Academy Quarterly Newsletter. I must extend my sincere gratitude to USAEUR-AF units for your continued support of the Academy. As you all know, what we do here is vitally important and has a long-lasting effect on the future of Army leadership and winning in combat. Your NCOs who volunteer to serve as Instructors have and will continue to impact the Army long after we retire, and I appreciate you all for sending us your best. On those same lines, I must congratulate the former NCO Academy Deputies 1SG TJ Waelty and MSG Jonathan Parker on their selection to attend the Sergeants Major Course, Class 75. These two phenomenal NCOs performed exceptionally and will continue to do so upon graduating from the course.

Since the last reporting period, the NCO Academy established the Sergeant York Award to recognize the most well-rounded Soldiers based on performance and peer evaluations. Also, we created a class writing project to encourage our students to communicate their thoughts and ideas.



Deputy's Chat

I want to formally introduce myself as the new Deputy Commandant of the 7th Army NCO Academy. My name is 1SG Esequiel Moreno, and I am privileged to serve in this capacity. I am committed to honoring the significant contributions made by my predecessor, 1SG Jonathan Parker, and to continue fostering the excellence that defines this institution. As I step into this role, I am resolute in my commitment to the core characteristics of the Army Profession: Trust, Honorable Service, Military Experience, Stewardship, and Esprit de Corps. These values will be at the forefront of our mission and will be instilled not only in our Cadre and Staff but also in our Students. We will continue to focus on the development of our young leaders during their initial Professional Military Education (PME). Our unwavering dedication ensures that our Soldiers remain prepared to face current and future challenges. I look forward to contributing to the ongoing success of the Academy in training future Army leaders.





Alpha Co. 1SG



Leadership is the Army's cornerstone and essential for maintaining a cohesive, effective, and trustworthy organization. It cultivates a constructive atmosphere of trust and respect, fostering unit cohesion and mission success. Key aspects include guiding soldiers towards shared goals to enhance efficiency, communicating clearly and motivating to keep teams informed and engaged, providing comprehensive training to prepare Soldiers for various scenarios, and supporting Soldiers and families to boost morale and sharpen mission focus.

Competence, confidence, agility, and moral character are vital traits that guide ethical behavior and foster trust. As a fundamental, stewardship involves caring for people, resources, and the Army Family, ensuring the Army's long-term success and trust with the public.

Bravo Co. 1SG

Leadership is the heartbeat of our mission and the foundation of our Army. In our profession, leadership means stepping up, inspiring others, and showing courage in the face of challenges. It is about being a role model—someone who embodies integrity, accountability, and resilience. It is not just about giving orders; it is about fostering a team spirit where every soldier feels valued and empowered to make a difference.

For young soldiers, leadership in the U.S. Army is about embracing your potential and recognizing that you have the power to shape the future. It is about pushing through obstacles, learning from mistakes, and lifting each other up. True leaders cultivate trust and comradery, creating an environment where everyone is willing to go the extra mile for one another.

As you embark on your journey, remember that leadership is about serving a purpose greater than yourself. It is about standing firm in your values, making tough decisions, and being the one your fellow soldiers can rely on. Together, we can achieve greatness, and as leaders, we can forge a legacy of strength, honor, and unwavering commitment to one another and our mission.



Chief of Training

I must start by expressing my deepest gratitude to SFC Jackel for his exceptional leadership and dedication to the 7th Army Noncommissioned Officer Academy. I am honored to follow in his footsteps as the new Chief of Training. As I begin this new chapter, I am excited to build on the foundation he has laid and continue to shape the next generation of leaders.

We aim to graduate 100% of students attending the Basic Leader Course (BLC). This goal is a challenging one but achievable. I firmly believe that with the right mindset, preparation, and support, we can make it a reality. To reach this goal, we must work together to ensure our students are fully prepared. Units play a critical role in this process by thoroughly screening Soldiers and verifying that they meet all prerequisites, including physical fitness, medical, and administrative requirements. Additionally, units must ensure that they adequately prepare Soldiers before arriving. I encourage units to visit our official website for updated resources and course information.

I also invite all units to join our monthly town halls, where we share updates, answer questions, and address concerns for upcoming cycles. By working together, we can ensure the success of all future NCOs. I look forward to sharing my vision and goals with you and invite you to join me as we continue to uphold the highest standards of the NCO Corps.

“DEPART TO LEAD!”



FY25 Dismissals

REASON	TOTAL
ACFT	3
HT&WT	3
ACADEMIC	4
DISCIPLINARY	1

BLC Graduates

FY25 TOTAL
456



Honor Roll-up

01-25

Distinguished Honor Graduate
Honor Graduate
Distinguished Leadership
Graduate
Commandant's Writing Award
Iron Soldier Male
Iron Soldier Female

SPC Foley, Ziona
SGT Womack, William
SPC Hernandez, Elisabeth

SPC Gallo, Brian
SGT Joder, Benjamin
SPC Djampou, Ancele

16TH SUST BDE
1CD
66TH MI BDE

10TH AAMDC
2 CR
2ND TSB

02-25

Distinguished Honor Graduate
Honor Graduate
Distinguished Leadership
Graduate
Commandant's Writing Award
Iron Soldier Male
Iron Soldier Female

SPC Leon, Maria
SGT Hedman, Jude
SPC Ventura, Marimar

SPC Xin, Arthur
SPC Miller, Ruben
SPC Kondratieva, Mariia

30TH MED BDE
173RD ABCT
16TH SUST BDE

207TH MI BDE
173RD ABCT
12TH CAB





Class Stats

Class	Enrolled	Graduated	CMDT's list
01-25	248	234	48
02-25	227	216	44

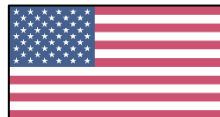


Upcoming Dates

Class	Report Date	Graduation
04-25	11FEB25	07MAR25
05-25	14MAR25	09APR25
06-25	14APR25	09MAY25



International Students



01-25

CYPRUS

SGT Marios, Ioannou
SGT Polyvios, Savva
SGT Orestis, Kyriakou

NETHERLANDS

SGT Stenfan, Von Engelen

02-25

GEORGIA

SGT Giorgi, Khmiadashvili



IOY Remarks

At the 02-25 graduation, we celebrated SFC Tobias L. Garza of Alpha Company for his exceptional achievement of winning the 2024 Instructor of the Year honors. SFC Garza distinguished himself with exceptional professionalism and high standards. His remarkable ability to coach, teach, train, and mentor his platoon led to this well-deserved recognition. To honor his achievement, SFC Garza was awarded the Army Accommodation Medal and a \$200 gift certificate from AAFES.

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Become an Instructor

Join the 7th Army Noncommissioned Officer Academy team by submitting your completed packet to the Chief of Training and Deputy Commandant. Once your packet has been reviewed, the NCOA team will set up a date and time to conduct a follow-on interview to ensure that you would make a great member of the team.



Instructor Packet

Latest Soldier Talent Profile (STP)

Recent ACFT scorecard

Recent 5500/01

Last 3 NCOERs

Write 1-2 Page

Essay on why you want to become an Instructor.



Requirements

Possesses mature judgement, military bearing and initiative

Have 18 months remaining in Germany

Meets AR 600-9 Standards

Be able to pass the ACFT

Holds the ranks of SSG – SFC

Be able to pass a background check

Promotion and Schools

90% Promotion rate from Staff Sergeant to Sergeant First Class as a Small Group Leader

Common Faculty Development – Instructor Course (CFD-IC)

Receive SQI – 8

Instructor Observation Course

Instructor Writer Course

Three levels of Army Instructor Badges (Basic, Senior, and Master)



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