

SSCFP fellows finish program manager course

Senior Service College Fellowship Program

APG fellows participating in the Senior Service College Fellowship Program, run by the Defense Acquisition University, successfully completed and graduated from a 10-week Program Manager's Course in Huntsville, Alabama, along with 17 other SSCFP classmates from Warren, Michigan and Huntsville in late 2015.

The PMT 401 course is the DAU's rigorous, executive-level, and case-based course designed for experienced acquisition practitioners, specially selected for their potential as leaders of major acquisition programs, integrated product teams, and major command division chiefs.

The course is constructed around eight overarching themes involving primarily case studies of real life acquisition-related challenges and dilemmas. These case studies allow fellows the opportunity to practice: leading a program in a rapidly changing environment; leading program management operations in different acquisition phases; working effectively with higher headquarters; working effectively with industry; achieving and maintaining excellent customer relations; applying appropriate tools for the evolving information environment; working effectively with external organizations; and leading joint and international programs.

PMT 401 also hosts a Capitol Hill workshop which provides the fellows with an overview and understanding of the U.S. Congress and the legislative process. The workshop examines current U.S. public policy issues by providing an in-depth analysis of Congressional politics, decision-making, and their implications to the DOD and the nation. The workshop also provides the fellows with the opportunity to discuss current issues of interest – on and off the record – with political experts and leading authorities who have experience in all aspects of the national policymaking process and the potential consequences to U.S. national interests in the coming years.

The SSCFP is a nationally-recognized, Army-sponsored program designed to develop strong, effective senior leaders for the Department of Defense Acquisition community. The SSCFP Class of 2016-2017, which begins July 25, is currently accepting applications through March 23. For more information about SSCFP, visit <http://asc.army.mil/web/career-development/programs/defense-acquisition-university-senior-service-college/>. Additional information can be found at the DAU website by visiting www.dau.mil/sscf/Pages/apg.aspx or by contacting Jim Oman at james.oman@dau.mil or 410-272-9470.



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APG Senior Service College Fellowship Program fellows, from left, Willie Jackson, Ben Pryor, Shauna Dover, Melanie Loncarich, Daniel Schwartz, Wing Young, Nick Saacks, and Patrick Morse, successfully completed and graduated from the Defense Acquisition University's rigorous 10-week Program Manager's Course in late 2015.