

West Region Presents at American Society of Military Comptrollers (ASMC)

On June 13, West Region's [Joanne MacDonald-Morrow](#) provided an informative presentation to the American Society of Military Comptrollers, San Diego Chapter. More than 100 government, military, and industry personnel attended this event, representing a diversified collection of financial management and comptroller experience. The presentation highlighted DAU's wide range of resources available to the ASMC community, including the certification process, continuous learning modules, knowledge sharing, and mission assistance initiatives such as Executive Coaching, Major Defense Acquisition Program (MDAP) Assists, Program Start-Up Workshops, and Independent Program Assessments. A demonstration of the Defense Acquisition Portal (DAP) was conducted to show attendees firsthand the value of this tool as the central point of access for all AT&L resources and information, and to communicate acquisition reform. The ASMC members were very interested and receptive—a true reflection of the teaming required by the financial/comptroller and acquisition communities to achieve successful outcomes for DoD.



Naval Air Systems Command's Logistics' Day Hot Topic Forum

[Mike McGhee](#), [Belle Mattingly](#), [Tim Simpson](#), and [William Broadus](#), from Mid-Atlantic's Acquisition /Program Management Department, and [Duane Mallicoat](#), Associate Dean for Outreach and Mission Assistance, contributed to the execution of the Naval Air Systems Command's Logistics and Industrial Operations Group's (AIR-6.0) Logistics Day Hot Topic Forum (HTF) event at the Naval Air Station, Patuxent River Md., Base Theater on June 12. Ms. Sharie Bourbeau, Department of Homeland Security (DHS), was the keynote speaker, along with other distinguished speakers from the Logistics competency. The event was attended by approximately 327 Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) logisticians during the morning session and 276 during the afternoon session. The HTF was an all-day event, and was cited by RADM CJ Jaynes "as informative, inspiring, and a complete success!"



New Senior Service College Fellowship Class Starts

The Senior Service College Fellowship at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.; Huntsville, Ala.; and Warren, Mich., commenced its next academic year on July 23.

This year the program welcomes a total of 27 Fellows with nine Fellows in each program location. In Aberdeen, organizations such as the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command, U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, U.S. Army Research, Development, and Engineering Command, PEO Ammunition, System of Systems Integration Directorate ASA(AL&T), and the Joint Program Executive Office—Chemical and Biological Defense have sponsored fellows. From Huntsville, fellows represent PEO-Aviation, PEO Missile and Space, and Aviation and Missile Command. And in Warren, fellows come from the Tank-Automotive and Armaments Command (TACOM) LCMC, the Program Executive Offices, and the Army Contracting Command—Warren. Also included in this year's group is one fellow from industry—from General Dynamics Land Systems—and one DAU faculty member, [Mark Unger](#).

Over the summer, the SSCF team has been actively working to increase collaboration opportunities among the three sites. An IPT curriculum meeting was held on June 11 in Huntsville and focused on standardizing the SSCF curriculum and increasing joint activities.

In the first few weeks of the Fellowship, the fellows in each site will engage in self-awareness, team development, and leadership activities. At each site, the fellows will participate in modules such as the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator Assessment workshop, mentoring, and orientation to the master's degree partnership programs with Webster University and Lawrence Tech University. The fellows also will hear from Mrs. Katrina McFarland, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, and LTG William N. Phillips, Principal Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition Logistics and Technology). Starting in the third week, all three sites will convene in Warren for an orientation to PMT 401 and a 3-day educational experience provided by the Comprehensive Soldier Fitness-Performance and Resilience Enhancement Program.

The SSCF is a 10-month program, provided under the auspices of DAU, focused on leadership and acquisition management and prepares civilian acquisition leaders for roles as product and project managers, program executive officers and other key acquisition positions.