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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Army Directive 2019-19 (Credentialing Intermediate Level Education)

1. Reference Army Regulation 350-1 (Army Training and Leader Development), 10 December 2017.
2. Purpose. This directive modifies paragraph 3-39 of Army Regulation 350-1 (The Army Command and General Staff College) regarding credentialing programs currently accepted in lieu of the college's Advanced Operations Course (AOC).
 - a. AOC is the U.S. Army's approved Intermediate Level Education warfighting credentialing course for basic branch (AD, AG, AR, AV, CA, CM, CY, EN, FA, FI, IN, LG, MI, MP, PO, SC, SF) officers. Officers can meet the requirement through resident courses at the Army Command and General Staff College; the sister Service staff colleges (the Air, Navy, or Marine Corps Staff Colleges); accredited Foreign Staff Colleges; and the U.S. Army Distance Learning AOC.
 - b. Starting in Academic Year 21 (AY21), the following programs are no longer accepted for AOC credit: the Naval Postgraduate School, Joint Chief of Staff Internship Program, Army Congressional Fellowship Program, Major General James Wright Memorial Master of Business Administration Program, Downing Scholarship Program, Olmstead Scholarship Program, and National Defense University Programs. To receive MEL 4 credentialing, basic branch officers attending these programs in AY21 and beyond must also complete the AOC in an approved residence program or through distributed learning in accordance with paragraph 3a.
4. Applicability. This directive applies to the Regular Army, Army National Guard/Army National Guard of the United States, and U.S. Army Reserve.
5. Proponent. The Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7 is the proponent for this policy and will incorporate the provisions of this directive into Army Regulation 350-1 within 2 years of the date of this directive.

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6. Duration. This directive is rescinded upon publication of the revised regulation.



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