8901 — THEORY AND NATURE OF WAR

MONTH ONE – October 2021

Saturday  Lesson 1: Fundamentals of Military Theory
Lesson 2: Napoleonic Warfare, Clausewitz, and Jomini

Sunday Lesson 3: The Modernization of War in America
Lesson 4: The Early Twentieth Century: Modern War Comes of Age in Europe

MONTH TWO – November

Saturday Lesson 5: Military Change in the Interwar Period
Lesson 6: World War II

Sunday Lesson 7: The Cold War, Sun Tzu, and John Boyd
Lesson 8: Contemporary and Future War

8901 Course Assessment Due

8901 Course Close Out Due 27 November

8902 — NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY STUDIES

MONTH THREE – December

Saturday Lesson 1: Foundations of National and International Security
Lesson 2: Strategy

8902 Course Assessment Research Essay Discussed

Sunday Lesson 3: Instruments of National Power
Lesson 4: National Security Decisionmaking

MONTH FOUR – January 2022

Saturday Lesson 5: National Strategic Guidance
Lesson 6: Alliances and Coalitions

Sunday Lesson 7: Joint Strategic Planning System and the Planning, Programming, Budgeting, and Execution System
Lesson 8: Strategic Case Study: Suez Crisis (1956)

8902 Course Assessment Research Essay Due

8902 Course Close Out Due 11 February

8904 — JOINT OPERATIONS

MONTH FIVE – February

Saturday Lesson 1: Evolution of Jointness
Lesson 2: Service Warfare

Sunday Lesson 3: Combatant Commands
Lesson 4: Joint Force Organization

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MONTH SIX – March
Saturday Lesson 5: Interorganizational Cooperation
Lesson 6: The Joint Operating Environment
Sunday Lesson 7: Joint Functions Case Studies
Lesson 8: Higher-Level Staff Work

8904 Course Assessment Due

MONTH SEVEN – April
Saturday Lesson 1: Operational Art
Lesson 2: Operational Design
Sunday Lesson 3: Operational Leadership
Lesson 4: Joint Operation Planning

8904 Course Close Out Due 4 April

MONTH EIGHT – May
Saturday Lesson 5: Campaigning
Lesson 6: Information Operations
Sunday Lesson 7: Operational Design Practical Exercise – Development

8903 Course Assessment Practical Exercise – Refinement and Presentation

8903 Course Close Out Due 10 June