



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
**HENRY H. LIND NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER ACADEMY**  
**COMMON FACULTY DEVELOPMENT -**  
**INSTRUCTOR COURSE**  
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## **Common Faculty Development - Instructor Course (CFD-IC)**

### **Course Overview**

CFD-IC is a 10-day, 80-hour, outcomes-based, learner-centered course designed to provide current and future Army faculty members (e.g., instructors, trainers, and facilitators) with the essential knowledge and practical skills necessary for teaching and learning in an authentic, real-world adult learning environment.

The course learning objectives are based on the Army Instructor Competencies, which focuses on creating an effective learning environment to achieve course outcomes and enhance Army readiness by preparing students for the operational environment. Students are introduced to adult education concepts and theories; planning, designing, and teaching effective instruction; the fundamentals of assessment; and Army faculty professionalism. Upon completion, instructors will be qualified to prepare for instruction, deliver instruction, and assess student performance.

The first week of the course focuses on fundamentals of preparing for instruction, effective instructional delivery, instructional design, feedback and assessment, as well as course delivery modes, technology integration in teaching and learning, an introduction to some of the concepts included in professionalism and Army faculty, and the first formative practicum: Teaching a Lesson using the Experiential Learning Model (ELM) Strategy.

The second week addresses the remaining concepts of professionalism and the Army instructor; the second formative practicum: Teaching a Lesson using the Direct Instruction (DI) Strategy; the summative practicum: Teaching a Lesson using the Collaborative Interactive/ Instruction (CII) Strategy; and the final summative assessment: the Instructor Fundamentals Exam (IFE).

Formative assessments are conducted during and after the conclusion of each lesson. The final summative assessment for the foundational concepts addressed in TLO 1 - TLO 6 is the Instructor Fundamentals Exam, which is to be given no later than day 8.

For the course, students will conduct two formative practicums (DI and ELM), one final summative practicum (CII) and complete the Instructor Fundamentals Exam. Students must achieve an 80% passing score on both the Instructor Fundamentals Exam and the summative practicum to receive a graduation certificate.

It is important to note that successful completion of this course results in initial qualification, additional training is necessary in the operational environment for certification.