

## Frequently Asked Questions for MLC

**Q – Who can attend MLC?**

**A –** IAW MILPER Message 21-314, following the approval of the Sergeant First Class (SFC) evaluation board, Soldiers are scheduled 90-120 days prior to class start date by current OML based on Army promotion requirements (i.e., 11B4 #210 on the OML may be scheduled to attend MLC prior to 42A4 #2 on the OML based on Army promotion requirements for Master Sergeant (MSG)). When an MOS OML is exhausted, Soldiers will be scheduled based on date of rank. HRC will utilize short notice requests to ensure classes are conducted at optimized capacity (see paragraph 6 below).

**Q – Can I walk on to MLC?**

**A –** No. This is an ATRRS select course for both Resident and Distributed Learning versions. Once selected by the MLC proponent within HRC the student is notified via ATRRS message.

**Q – How are enrollments for MLC attendance managed?**

**A –** Like ALC and SLC, enrollments for MLC attendance are managed by HRC Schools Branch.

**Q – If I am already a MSG, do I need to attend MLC to be eligible to compete for promotion to SGM?**

**A –** No. If you were promoted on the FY 18 MSG promotion list or prior you do not need MLC to compete for promotion to SGM.

**Q – I am scheduled to attend MLC. Where does my information regarding the course come from, and who does my DTS request?**

**A –** If you are scheduled to attend MLC, you can find some information about attending the course from ATRRS. You will also receive a Welcome Letter from the NCOA where you will attend MLC that details some specifics about report times, locations, and prerequisite requirements. You must schedule your own travel requests through DTS to attend the course.

**Q – Is there a current plan to discontinue MLC resident or DL?**

**A –** There are no current plans to discontinue the MLC resident course or the MLC DL course. Classes are currently scheduled for both resident and DL courses through fiscal year 2024.

**Q** – I am scheduled to go to MLC at Fort Bragg (or other locations) can you give me the specific information for that location?

**A** – You can find information for each location by clicking on the MLC Location List or <https://www.ncoworldwide.army.mil/Academics/Master-Leader-Course/MLC-Locations/>.

**Q** – Are you accepting the ACFT Diagnostic scorecard in place of the APFT?

**A** – No, the APFT will continue to be a requirement until 30 September 2022. Effective 1 October 2022, Soldiers attending PME must pass a record ACFT during the course to graduate the Master Leader Course IAW Army Directive 2022-05 (Army Combat Fitness Test).

**Q** – Is there anything that I can study right now to prepare me for MLC?

**A** – Yes, prospective students will benefit significantly from a review of the following publications: ADP 3-0, ADP 5-0, ADP 6-0, ADP 6-22. Students may also benefit from completing the SEJPME I and the JFC 100 Module 5 (Joint Planning Process) found on Joint Knowledge Online. Become familiar with APA (American Psychological Association) 7th Edition Format and Style Guide that can be found at Purdue University's Online Writing Lab [https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research\\_and\\_citation/apa\\_style/apa\\_style\\_introduction.html](https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/apa_style/apa_style_introduction.html)

**Q** – What role/obligation does my chain of command have during my MLC DL course?

**A** – Due to the academic rigor of the MLC DL, students and commanders are **STRONGLY** encouraged to abide by guidance set forth in AR 350-1. Students assigned to units that cannot comply due to mission requirements, or have a high level of personal life demands, should be considered ineligible to attend this course, and should consider enrolling in the resident version of MLC when possible. According to AR 350-1 (Dec 2017), Chap 2, para 2-44 (12): (Commanders) Support The Army Distance Learning Program (TADLP): (a) Ensure that Soldiers complete HQDA mandatory training and structured self-development. (b) Ensure Soldiers are available for HQDA- directed and quota managed DL training and have no command directed conflicts that will interfere with their scheduled DL training. Commanders will schedule DL training that supports collective training. Soldiers will accomplish self-development training on their own time unless otherwise directed by their commander. (c) Request DL training for qualified applicants through ATRRS to HRC for skills linked to force readiness (for example, NCOES, ASI, and SQI), through the installation Director of Plans, Training, and Mobilization, G-3, or schools.