

## **CHRIS J. KIDD**

### **EDUCATION**

- 2014** U.S. Naval War College, Newport, RI  
*M.A./National Security and Strategic Studies*
- 2005** U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, Ft. Leavenworth, KS  
*M.A./Military Arts and Science*
- 2001** University of Denver, Denver, CO  
*M.A./International Studies*
- 1992** U.S. Military Academy, West Point, NY  
*B.S./Economics*

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 2016 – Present** U.S. Naval War College, Newport, RI  
*Military Professor, Department of Joint Military Operations*
- 2012-2015** U.S. Naval War College, Newport, RI  
*Military Professor, Department of Joint Military Operations*
- 2009-2010** U.S. Military Academy, West Point, NY  
*Deputy Director and Instructor, Department of Military Instruction*
- 2001-2004** U.S. Military Academy, West Point, NY  
*Assistant Professor and Instructor, Department of Military Instruction*

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

Naval War College  
Joint Military Operations (2012 – 2014, 2016)  
Joint Maritime Operations (2013, 2015)  
Joint Maritime Operations Reserve Course (2016)  
Maritime Staff Coalition Element (2014, 2015)

U. S. Military Academy  
Battle Command (2009, 2010)  
Army Operations (2003, 2004)  
Small Unit Leadership (2003, 2004)  
Officership 400 – Profession of Arms (2004)  
Army Transformation (2001 - 2003)  
Tactics (2001 - 2003)

## **COURSES DEVELOPED OR DIRECTED**

### Naval War College

#### Maritime Staff Coalition Element

- Developed as part of select team of JMO faculty members
- Created course syllabus to prepare 35 international officers for success in resident Joint Maritime Operations course

### U.S. Military Academy

#### Army Officership

- Led a team of five faculty members in the re-design of West Point's four-year Military Science core curriculum for 4,400 cadets
- Oversaw the development of four new courses consisting of 80 lessons, lectures, and assessments
- Responsible for the editing and ordering of four new student texts

#### Army Operations; Army Transformation; Tactics

- Served as Course Director for three courses as part of West Point's Military Science Field of Study over a three year period
- Responsible for developing course syllabi and assessments, reading selection, and instruction to over 100 students

## **COURSES ADMINISTERED**

#### US Army Intermediate Level Education Preparatory Course - Distance Learning

- Enrolled, mentored, and managed 110 Army Majors
- Led After Action Reviews and managed student critiques resulting in substantive changes to curriculum and course flow

## **ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES – WHITE PAPERS**

All papers are Sensitive But Unclassified (SBU) and available upon request

#### “Office of Security Cooperation-Iraq Roles, Structure & Authorities (July 2016)

- Recommendations include expanded authorities for OSC-I in preparation of reduced US Military presence, post-ISIS, as well as transition to the SDO/DATT concept similar to other US Embassies

#### “Security Sector Reform (SSR) Efforts in Iraq (July 2016)

- Summarizes current Diplomatic, Defense, and Development (3D) initiatives in Iraq between US, coalition, and Iraq partners

#### “An Iraqi Objective Force” (November 2015)

- Argues for an organizational solution to future operations to liberate Mosul, based on the Iraqi method of waging war

#### “Iraqi Operational Mindset – A Historic Perspective” (October 2015)

- Outlines and explains the unique cultural perspective of how Iraq plans and executes its military campaigns

## **MILITARY EXPERIENCE**

### **2015-2016 Director, Strategic Initiatives Group, Office of Security Cooperation; US Embassy, Baghdad, Iraq**

- Prepared flag officers, US Ambassador, coalition partners, and State Department personnel for daily engagements with senior US policymakers and Iraqi government officials
- Briefed American and foreign distinguished visitors on DoD's integration in the DoS's Security Assistance mission
- Developed a new Command and Control organization blending the current Joint Task Force's training mission and the Embassy's security cooperation mission; approved by CENTCOM Commander and Secretary of Defense; awaiting integration with NATO plan

### **2010-2012 Battalion Commander, Ft. Riley, KS**

- Led a 750 man Combined Arms (Infantry-Armor) Battalion during combat operations in Kandahar, Afghanistan
- Trained 750 man mechanized force, and Afghan partners, to adapt to air assault operations as a new, primary method of tactical maneuver
- Led a Whole of Government approach to combat and stability operations with DoS, USAID, SOF, and Host Nation partners

### **2005-2009 Battalion Operations and Executive Officer, Ft. Campbell, KY**

- Supported two combat deployments in the ethnically diverse and unstable cities of Kirkuk and Samarra, Iraq
- Planned and executed large scale tactical operations while transitioning between offensive, defensive, and stability operations

### **1998-2000 Company Commander and Air Opns Officer, Ft. Lewis, WA**

- Led a 120 man Infantry Company during Peacekeeping operations in Egypt – deployed along a 100 km set of observation posts securing Eastern Sinai and the Gulf of Aqaba

### **1997-1998 Battalion Logistics Officer, Camp Casey, Korea**

### **1995-1996 Aide de Camp to the Commanding General, Ft. Polk, LA**

### **1993-1995 Platoon Leader and Company Executive Officer, Ft. Polk, LA**