**J. P. Clark**

**Colonel, U.S. Army (Retired)**

Basic Strategic Art Program

U.S. Army War College

Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania 17013

**Education**

Ph.D., History, Duke University, 2009

M.S.S., Strategic Studies (Distinguished Graduate), U.S. Army War College, 2020

M.A., History, Duke University, 2006

B.S., Russian-German with Systems Engineering Concentration, U.S. Military Academy, 1997

**Academic Appointments**

Associate Professor, Basic Strategic Art Program, U.S. Army War College, 2023-

Assistant Professor, Department of Military Strategy, Planning, and Operations, U.S Army War College, 2022-2023

Director, National Security Affairs, Strategic Studies Institute, U.S. Army War College, 2018-2019

Assistant Professor, Department of History, U.S. Military Academy, 2008-2009

Instructor, Department of History, U.S. Military Academy, 2006-2008

**Current Project**

*Acts of Madness: U.S. Military Strategy in the Pacific, 1898-1941* (under contract with University Press of Kansas)

**Books and Monographs**

With C. Anthony Pfaff, *Striking the Balance: U.S. Army Force Posture in Europe, 2028* (Strategic Studies Institute and U.S. Army War College Press, 2020)

*Preparing for War: The Emergence of the Modern U.S. Army, 1815-1917* (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2017)

**Book Chapters**

“The Arctic Dilemma: Force Generation Considerations for Land Forces,” *International Competition in the High North,* ed. Michael Lynch (Army War College Press, forthcoming)

With Francis J.H. Park, “Practical Strategists: The Perspective and Craft of the General Staff Officer,” *On Strategy: A Primer*, ed. Nathan K. Finney (Ft. Leavenworth, Ks: Army University Press, 2020), 117-126

“Military Operations and the Defense Department,” *Oxford Handbook of U.S. National Security*, ed. Derek S. Reveron, Nikolas K. Gvosdev, and John A. Cloud(New York: Oxford University Press, 2018), 291-306

**Peer-Reviewed Articles**

“U.S. Army Reforms in the Progressive Era,” *Parameters* 51, no. 1 (Spring 2021): 133-138

“Organizational Change and Adaptation in the U.S. Army,” *Parameters* 46, no. 3 (Autumn 2016): 23-39

**Lead Author for U.S. Government Publication**

Headquarters, Department of the Army, *The Army in Military Competition*, Chief of Staff Paper #2 (2021)

U.S. Joint Staff, *Competition Continuum*, Joint Doctrine Note 1-19 (2019)

U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, *The U.S. Army in Multi-Domain Operations, 2028* (2018)

U.S. Joint Staff, *Joint Concept for Integrated Campaigning* (2018)

Headquarters, Department of the Army, *Future Force Development Strategy* (2017)

**Other Publications**

“Chasing the Delta: A Pitfall of the Military’s ‘Can-do’ Ethos,” *War Room,* 1 August 2019

“‘Good Allies’: International Perspectives on Afghanistan,” *War Room,* 29 March 2019

“We Want It, What Is It? Unpacking Civilian Control of the Military,” *Strategy Bridge,* 4 April 2017

“In Defense of a Big Idea for Joint Warfighting,” *War on the Rocks,* 22 December 2016

“Thinking and Codifying: The U.S. Army Operating Concept and Army Warfighting Challenges,” *The Three Swords,* no. 30 (June 2016): 59-66

“Win in a Complex World: The New U.S. Army Operating Concept,” *British Army Review*, no. 164, (Autumn 2015): 80-87

“The Army #Operating Concept and Allies,” *Strategy Bridge*, 16 October 2014

“The Challenges of Uncertainty: Forging an Adaptable Army for an Unpredictable World,” *Strategos,* no. 9 (Fall 2012): 3-20

“The Missed Opportunity: A Critique of ADP 3-0, *Unified Land Operations*,” *Military Review* 92, no. 4 (July-August, 2012): 46-52

“A Lieutenant’s Plea to Company Commanders,” *Armor* (November-December 1999): 40-41, 47

**Book Reviews**

Reviews published in Parameters, British Journal of Military History, Strategy Bridge, Army, and Strategos.

**Endowed Lecture**

“Preparing for War: Four Generations of the U.S. Army, 1815-1917,” Association of the U.S. Army Lemnitzer Lecture, 2017

**Papers Presented at Conferences**

“General Wood’s Wild Ride: A Case Study in Civil-Military Dysfunction,” U.S Army War College Center for Civil-Military Relations Conference, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, 5 May 2023

“Acts of Madness: Analyzing the Logic of Military Illogic,” Society for Military History Annual Conference, San Diego, California, 26 March 2023

“Acts of Madness: Toward a New Understanding of Strategic Decision,” International Studies Association Conference, Montreal, Canada, 18 March 2023

“Insights from the U.S. Army Arctic Strategy and Wargame,” Kingston Conference on International Security, Kingston, Ontario, 12 October 2022

“Union Rules: The Enduring Myth of Huntingtonian Self-Regulation in the U.S. Army,” Society for Military History Annual Conference, Norfolk, Virginia, 22 May 2021

“Military Adaptation through the Generational Lens: The Origins of the Progressive Era American Military Profession,” Society for Military History Annual Conference, Jacksonville, Florida, 2 April 2017

“The Regular and the Radical: Emory Upton, Leonard Wood, and the Role of the U.S. Army,” Society for Military History Annual Conference, Arlington, Virginia, 12 May 2012

“Modernization without Technology: U.S. Army Organizational and Educational Reform, 1901-1911,” Society for Military History Annual Conference, Ogden, Utah, 18 April 2008

**Lectures, Seminars, and Talks: International**

Multi-Domain Operations in Professional Military Education Conference, Royal Danish Defense College, 2023

Oxford University Changing Character of War Program, 2016

Defense Entrepreneurs Forum (UK), 2016

**Lectures, Seminars, and Talks: U.S.**

Army Heritage Center Foundation, 2023

Military Classics Seminar, 2023

Texas National Security Innovation Council, 2023

Distance Education Class of 2022, U.S. Army War College, 2022

Chief of Chaplains, Strategy Leader Training: Developing a Strategic Mindset, 2022

The Citadel, Graduate Seminar in U.S. Military History (MLTH 503), Guest Lecture, 2021

Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, 2021

Texas A&M University, History of Military Strategy (HI 445), Guest Lecture, 2020

Texas A&M University War, Violence, and Society Working Group and Albritton Center for Grand Strategy, 2020

New Oxford (Pennsylvania) Historical Society, 2019

Carlisle Strategy Sessions, 2019

U.S. Army War College Noontime Lecture Series, 2017

DePuy-Starry Hampton Roads Chapter, Army Strategists Association, 2017

Chief of Staff of the Army’s Strategic Studies Group, 2017

Institute of World Politics sponsored by the Center for Military and Diplomatic History, 2017

Scotch, Cigars, and Strategy, 2014

New York Military Affairs Symposium, 2008

New York-New England Chapter of the Western Front Association, 2008

West Point Summer Seminar in Military History, 2007, 2008

West Point Faculty Development Forum, 2008

**Panels and Roundtables: U.S.**

Army Futures Command, Deliberative Thinking Series, 2023

Strategic Landpower Symposium, Army War College, 2022

Society for Military History Annual Conference, 2022

Workshop on U.S. and Allied Defense Strategies in the Arctic, Scowcroft Center for Strategy and Security, Atlantic Center, 2021

Arctic Security Dialogues, Wilson Center, 2020

Joint Staff Strategic Multi-Year Assessment Conference, 2019

Air War College Faculty Development Seminar, 2018

Defense Entrepreneur’s Forum D.C., 2018

Air Command and Staff College, 2018

**Podcasts - Host**

“Campaigning in the Pacific: A Conversation with GEN Charlie Flynn,” *War Room*, 14 March 2023

“Confusion or Clarity: Great Power Competition” *War Room*, 9 August 2022

“Fighting Over the Law of War,” (host) *War Room,* 28 April 2020

“The Man in the Machine: Is Aviation’s Weakest Link the Pilot?” *War Room,* 14 April 2020

“It’s Only a Pre-War Period in Hindsight,” *War Room,* 28 February 2020

“The General Staff That Wasn’t,” *War Room,* 13 September 2019

**Podcasts - Guest**

“No Longer Skinny, But Does the NSS Have Heft?” War Room, 25 October 2022

“The Passing of the Baton: A New Editor-in-Chief,” *War Room*, 1 August 2022

“J.P. Clark—U.S. Army War College,” *Military Historians are People, Too*, 26 July 2022

“Military Strategist Examines Evolution of U.S. Army War Preparations on Eve of Second Seminole War,” *Seminole Wars*, 17 April 2021

“Applying Classic Prussian Military Strategist’s Insights, Maxims to Second Seminole Conflict,” *Seminole Wars*, 10 April 2021

“U.S. Army Reforms in the Progressive Era,” *Decisive Point*, 26 March 2021

“The Strategist and the General Staff Officer,” *Strategy Bridge*, 20 July 2020

“#OnWriting author interviews, *On Strategy: A Primer*,” *Military Writers Guild*, 20 June 2020

“U.S. Army Professionalism and Preparations for War, 1815-1917,” *Strategy Bridge*, 20 May 2019

**Fellowships and Recognitions**

Project Lead, Strategy-Making in the 21st Century, U.S. Army War College Civil-Military Relations Center, 2022-

General of the Army Omar N. Bradley Research Fellowship in Military History, 2020-2021

Featured Contributor, *Strategy Bridge*, 2017

Military Fellow, College of William & Mary Project on International Peace & Security, 2016- 2017

**Editorial Service**

Editor-in-Chief (2022-present) and Senior Editor (2018-2020) *War Room: The On-line Journal of the U.S. Army War College*

Manuscript reviewer for Cambridge University Press, University Press of Kansas, Oklahoma University Press, University of Missouri Press, Association of the United States Army Books/Naval Institute Press, *Parameters, Strategic Studies Quarterly, Journal of Advanced Military Studies*

**Courses Taught**

Strategic Theory and Practice

Military Strategy and Campaigning

Joint Warfighting in 2030

U.S. Army Posture in Europe (Integrated Research Project Co-lead)

History of Science and Technology

War and its Theorists

History of the Military Art from Antiquity to the Present

**Academic Service**

Doctoral Dissertation Committee Member, Texas A&M University, 2023-

Chair, Excellence in Public Scholarship Award Committee, U.S. Army War College, 2023-

Faculty Council, Executive Committee Member, AY 2019

Faculty Search Committee Member, AYs 2019, 2022, 2023

Strategic Research Requirement, Project Advisor, AYs 2019, 2023

Army War College Fellow Faculty Mentor, AYs 2019, 2024

Society for Military History Mentorship Program, 2023

West Point Summer Seminar in Military History, Director (2008) and Deputy Director (2007)

History Faculty Development Goal Team and Community of Scholars Goal Team, 2008-2009

West Point Professional Military Ethic Education Program, Company Team Leader, 2006-2009

**Select Professional Duty Assignments**

Chief, Strategy Division, G-3/5/7, Headquarters, Department of the Army, Washington, DC, 2020-2022

Chief, Joint Concepts Branch, U.S. Army Capabilities Integration Center, Fort Eustis, Virginia, 2016-2018

Exchange Officer, British Army Strategy Branch and Chief of the General Staff’s Initiatives Group, London, 2014-2016

Military Assistant for Strategy to the Secretary of the Army, Washington, DC, 2011-2014

Army Transition Team, Office of the Chief of Staff of the Army, Washington, DC, 2011

Executive Officer to the Commanding General, United States Division-North, Tikrit, Iraq, 2009-2010

Tank Battalion Headquarters Company Commander, Camp Casey, Korea, 2003-2004

Tank Company Commander, Camp Casey, Korea, 2001-2003

Tank Battalion Headquarters Company Executive Officer, Fort Stewart, Georgia, 1999-2000

Tank Company Executive Officer, Fort Stewart, Georgia, 1999

Tank Platoon Leader, Fort Stewart, Georgia, 1998-1999

**Select Professional Military Education**

Resident Course (Distinguished Graduate), Carlisle Scholars Program, U.S. Army War College, 2020

Basic Strategic Art Program, U.S. Army War College, 2011

Intermediate Level Education, U.S. Command and General Staff College, 2011

Defense Strategy Course, U.S. Army War College, 2007

**Select Military Awards and Recognitions**

Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster

Bronze Star Medal

Army Strategists Association Order of St. Gabriel the Archangel (Gold Medallion)

U.S. Armor & Cavalry Association Order of St. George (Bronze Medallion)

U.S. Armor Center Draper Leadership Award

Department of State Meritorious Honor Award

**Professional Affiliations**

Society for Military History

American Historical Association

Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era

Army Strategists Association

Military Writers Guild