

The logo for Joint Logistics Education is a circular emblem. It features a central shield with a yellow top section containing the word "JOINT" in blue, a red and white striped middle section, and a blue bottom section. The shield is flanked by two yellow wings. The entire emblem is surrounded by a wreath of olive and oak branches. The words "SCHOOL OF LOGISTICS" are written in blue around the bottom of the emblem.

Joint Logistics Education

“Excellence in Logistics”

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Joint Logisticians

Who are they?

Planners, operators and commanders on joint staffs, in Service logistics elements . . .

What do they do?

Deliver joint logistics outcomes in support of the joint force . . .

How do they do it?

Integrating, coordinating and synchronizing capabilities against joint force rqrmts . . .

Why do we need them?

Optimize available logistics capabilities to provide effective joint outcomes at best value

Joint Logisticians

What are the skills,
knowledge &
attributes do we want?

*OUR
PRODUCT*

- ✓ **A Service logistics expert**
 - *Grounded in the “core” of Service logistics*
- ✓ **Is OK with uncertainty**
 - *Understands that change is the only certainty*
- ✓ **Has a mature global perspective**
 - *Keen insights into E2E processes and commercial supply chain principles*
- ✓ **Can make decisions with minimal information**
 - *Is able to clearly distinguish between “must know” and “nice to know.”*

Joint Logisticians

How will we deliver this product?

- ✓ Service & Joint individual training . . .
 - *Learning to do!*
- ✓ Joint professional logistics education . . .
 - *Learning to think!*
- ✓ Joint Experience . . .
 - *Learning to be!*

Joint Professional Logistics

The Mission . . . Education

Develop logisticians that can effectively plan and execute joint logistics operations in support of the JFC

When?

Throughout a Service Logistics Officer's career...small amounts at entry, increasing as an officer approaches senior leadership levels

Why?

Joint Logistics truly is the means to an end – *successful military operations.*

Joint Logistics Education – The Team

- Community of Practice (COP)
 - Service, National, Defense, Private and Commercial Educators & Trainers
 - Training/education components of Defense organizations
- Community of Interest (COI)
 - Services, Joint Staff, COCOMs, DoD, and Agencies, Industry, Interagency/Multinational Partners, NGOs
- Customer
 - Joint Warfighter
- Product
 - Effective joint logisticians

Joint Logistics Education – Closing Questions For You

- Is this journey worth the effort?
- Is “joint logistics” a true profession?
- What should the governance structure look like?
- How do we move past training to education?
- What is the best way to prepare joint logisticians?
- How do we bring convergence across community of educators and what do we “converge” on?