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**Selected to attend Academic Year 2027-2028 U.S. Army Combined Arms Support
Command Virginia Commonwealth University, Master of Supply Chain Management
Advanced Civilian Schooling Program**

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A. DA Pam 600-3 (Commissioned Officer Professional Development and Career Management),

B. AR 621-5 (Army Continuing Education System), 28 October 2019

C. AR 350-100 (Officer Active Duty Service Obligations), 21 July 2023

D. AR 614-100 (Officer Assignment Policies, Details, and Transfers), 8 May 2024

E. AR 621-1 (Advanced Education Programs and Requirements for Military Personnel), 08 May 2024

1. This MILPER message will expire NLT 01 August 2027. Please read this MILPER completely prior to submitting any questions to the point of contact listed.

2. This message announces the application timeline and requirements for the academic year (AY) 2027 -2028 Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) Master of Supply Chain Management (MSCM) Program.

3. Active duty Officers accepted into the VCU MSCM program will be educated on the theory,

skills, and practices necessary to manage global supply chains and graduate with a focus in Data Analytics. This program provides students with the advanced skills to visualize, integrate and analyze complex logistics data. Knowledge gained will include supply chain management and logistics systems, international logistics, transportation management, enterprise resource planning, and innovation processes. Candidates who begin this program will graduate with a Master of Supply Chain Management with a concentration in Supply Chain Analytics and qualify for the Logistics Functional Data Analyst Skill Identifier (SI).

4. Requirements:

a. In accordance with AR 350-100, Officers who complete formal education or training programs incur active duty service obligations (ADSO). All Officers who attend this program incur an ADSO through the scheduled program graduation date or through the date on which consecutively scheduled education is completed, whichever is later. The ADSO equals three (3) times (3 days for each one (1) day in school upon completion of schooling) the length of the program, computed in days, but not more than six (6) years.

b. Eligible personnel must scan and email their complete application requirements to the Logistics Branch Proponency Office (LOGPRO), Combined Arms Support Command, Army Sustainment University, Fort Lee, VA at: usarmy.lee.asu.mbx.logpro@army.mil NLT 2359 (EDT) on 21 June 2026. Human Resources Command Career Managers will screen applications to determine eligibility and potential for promotion. The CASCOM panel will select the best-qualified Officers.

c. Any application packet that is not completed as directed in this MILPER will be returned to the candidate, and may result in missing the submission suspense date and not being considered for this program. Applications will consist of the following:

(1) Soldier Talent Profile (STP)

(2) Current Army Fitness Test (AFT) DA Form 705 and DA Form 5500/5501, if applicable (must meet requirements of AR 600-9, The Army Body Composition Program)

(3) DA Form 1618 with endorsement from first field grade Officer in your chain of command, rank/grade should be GS-14 or higher if civilian, or O-5 and above if military. The field grade Officer may fill out the rater block or provide a separate endorsement that meets the requirements. The Officer's signature on this form denotes an official Service Statement of Understanding regarding ADSO an utilization requirements in accordance with AR 621-1.

(4) Letter of recommendation from another senior leader (LTC/GS-14 or above) will include a statement of the applicant's abilities, scholarly attitude, initiative, and aptitude for the course of study. Letter of recommendation should not exceed two-pages in length. A maximum of three (3) letters of recommendation may be included in application, one (1) of which must be from a Logistics Officer.

(5) Last five (5) Officer Evaluation Reports (OER). Individuals in the first year of company command time, and not yet in their OER window, should include a MFR from their senior rater highlighting performance while in command.

(6) Scan of all civilian education official transcripts from accredited institutions.

(7) GRE/GMAT is not required by VCU for the MSCM program. Applicants may submit official GRE/GMAT results (fewer than 5 years old) for added consideration by both the CASCOM Panel and official VCU MSCM admissions.

d. Each applicant (both selectees and non-selectees) will receive notification from CASCOM, Army Sustainment University, upon approval of panel results.

(1) Each selectee must notify their respective Career Manager and ASU POC that they accept offer of the VCU-MSCM Program NLT 7 days after notification of selection.

(2) Each selectee MUST OFFICIALLY APPLY to the VCU-MSCM program NLT 10 days of selection notification and forward OFFICIAL ACCEPTANCE letter to Ms. Vernon Spivey at usarmy.lee.asu.mbx.logpro@army.mil and carrie.vernon2.civ@army.mil upon receipt.

e. Report for VCU-MSCM Program is August 2027. Officers will participate in the Data Analytics and Visualization (DAV) course at Army Sustainment University, Fort Lee, VA prior to the Virginia Commonwealth University orientation.

f. Eligibility criteria:

(1) This opportunity is open to Active Component Logistics Officers only.

(2) Bachelors degree from an accredited university.

(3) Rank of CPT and must have completed the Captain's Career Course. Officer has demonstrated outstanding performance in a key developmental (KD) position IAW DA Pam 600-3. Officer must have the ability to complete a mandatory 2 year utilization assignment prior to attending Intermediate Level Education. All interested Officers must consult their branch

career manager to determine timeline eligibility. Officers must be KD complete NLT June 2027. Targeted year groups for the AY 27-28 are CPTs in YGs 2020-2021. YG 18-19 officers will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

(4) Possess a current Secret Clearance.

(5) Not flagged or pending adverse action.

(6) Must have outstanding potential for future service.

(7) Commissioned Officers will not exceed 17 years total Active Federal Service (AFS) prior to start of schooling.

(8) Per AR 621-1: "Commissioned officers or warrant officers may not enroll in any full-time Army educational program to obtain a second degree at the same academic level (for example, master or baccalaureate) if the first degree was obtained through one of the military Services' full-time education programs. However, officers may be considered on a case-by-case basis for a second degree at the same level if the first degree was obtained during off-duty hours or before entry on active duty, or in a different academic discipline, dependent upon the needs of the Army."

(9) Officers who complete civilian education through the advanced civil schooling program will serve a utilization tour in an AERS coded position, varying from operational to strategic level sustainment organization.

5. Point of contact for this MILPER message: Ms. Carrie Vernon Spivey, 520-669-2259, and carrie.vernon2.civ@army.mil