Symposium on U.S. Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan

Friday, October 4, 2013: (Weigley Room, Gladfelter Hall, 9th Floor)

4:00 pm: Keynote Address by Stephen Biddle: “Defining Success in Afghanistan”

Saturday, October 5, 2013: (Weigley Room, Gladfelter Hall, 9th Floor)

8:00 am: Coffee

9:00 am-10:30 am: What shaped the possibilities and limits of American military and diplomatic strategy and the wars’ outcomes?
- Col. Tarn D. Warren, Chair
- Terry Anderson: Overview and Origins
- Michael Reynolds: Regional Issues
- Richard H. Immerman: Intelligence

11:00 am-12:30 pm: How did the U.S. fight the wars?
- Col. Robert M. Balcavage, Chair
- Conrad C. Crane: Military Strategy
- Michael Doidge: U.S. Army Female Engagement Teams and Cultural Sensitivities
- Lisa Mundey: Combatants’ Experiences

12:30 pm-1:30 pm: Lunch

1:30 pm-2:45 pm: President Bush framed the wars as a defense of U.S. ideals and values. Was U.S. behavior consistent with those values?
- Col. Gregory A. Daddis, Chair
- Sam Lebovic: U.S. Media and Military/Government Control
- David Farber: U.S. Domestic Political Responses

3:00 pm-5:00 pm: What are the lessons and legacies of the wars?
- Tami Davis Biddle, Chair
- Andrew C. McKevitt: U.S. youth and video games
- Aaron O’Connell: Afghanistan
- Robert K. Brigham: Iraq
- David Kieran: Military Veterans

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