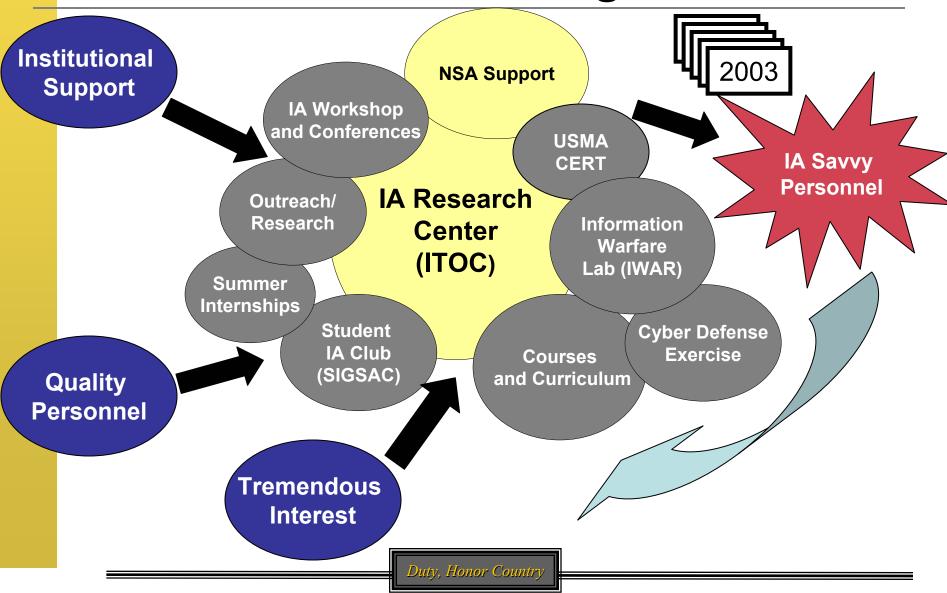
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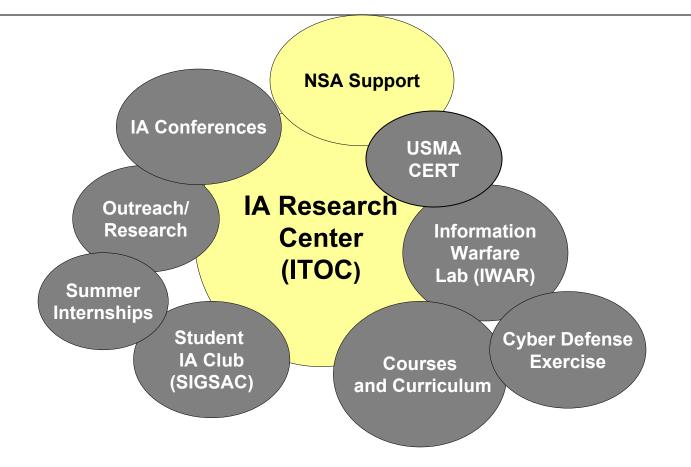






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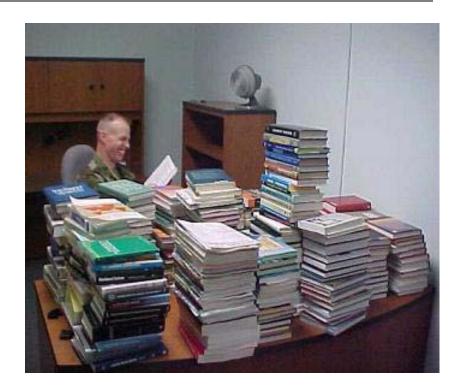


# **USMA IA Program Mission**

COMPUTER SOLUTION

 "Blah Blah ..."

> -LTC Dan Ragsdale ITOC Director





# Information Assurance Courses



- Primary
  - CS482 Information Assurance
  - IT460 Policy and Strategy of Cyberwar
  - MA489 Cryptography
  - LW489 Cyberlaw
- Supporting
  - CS484 Computer Networks
  - IT105 Introduction to Information Technology
  - IT305 Introduction to Military Information Technology
- Other computer science courses
  - Have IA awareness woven into them



# Student IA Club



- ACM SIGSAC Chapter
- Formed January 2001
- 450+ Members
  - Interdisciplinary (All Academic Departments Represented)
- Won 2001-2002 ACM Outstanding Activities Award
  - SIGSAC IWAR Lab
  - Speakers
  - Community Service
- www.itoc.usma.edu/sigsac/



# Summer Internships [1 of 2]

- NSA Network Evaluation Intern Program
- US Secret Service, Electronic Crimes Branch – Honeypot research
- Joint C4ISR Battle Center Enhanced C4ISR Homeland Security Operations (ECHO)
- ITOC Information Assurance Vulnerability Alert (IAVA) Compliance Prototype
- AMC-DOD UAV multi-mission payload analysis
- Microsoft Microsoft Intern













# Summer Internships [2 of 2]



- US Army Information Technology Agency
  Network Convision Depterson
  - Network Security Services-Pentagon
- Livermore National Laboratory UAV Simulation
- High Performance Computing Modernization Office - Network Monitoring Initiative
- RCERT Pacific Intrusion Detection and Analysis
- 1st IO Command(ACERT,RCERT Korea & Europe) - Intrusion Detection and Analysis
- AMC-DOD Crowd Simulation in Realistic Simulations











## **Guest Speaker Program**



- Government
- Military
- Academia
- Business







# **ITOC Research Topics**

- Information Technology and Operations Center
  - Decision Support
    - Automated Imagery Analysis
    - Automated Terrain Analysis
  - Information Assurance
    - Network Deception (Honeynets / Network Camouflage)
    - Open Source Tool Employment
    - Intrusion Detection and Response
    - Information Assurance Simulation
    - Network and Computer Forensics
    - Wireless Security



# **ITOC Outreach Projects**



- Information Assurance Vulnerability Alert (IAVA) Compliance Prototype – NSA, 1<sup>st</sup> IO Command
- <u>Network Deception (Honeynets)</u> 1<sup>st</sup> IO Command, US Secret Service
- Information Assurance Curriculum and Training Development – NSF, 1<sup>st</sup> IO Command
- <u>Classroom XXI</u> Army Training and Doctrine Command
- <u>Military Academy Attack Defense Network (MAADNet)</u> – Office of the Secretary of Defense, NSF
- <u>Network Forensics and Email Recovery</u>– US Secret Service
- Wireless Security
- <u>T4IA</u> NSF



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## Information Warfare Analysis and Research (IWAR) Lab



- Isolated network
  - Wide variety of target machines
  - Full 18 seat classroom
  - Dedicated lab director
- Used to support courses
  - CS482 Information Assurance (primary user)
  - SS490 Policy and Strategy of Cyberwar (primary user)
  - CS484 Networks (projected)
  - IT105 Intro to Information Technology (awareness)
  - IT305 Intro to Military Information Technology



# **IWAR Laboratory Design Goals**



- Realistic
  - Provide a "real world" signature
  - Shared Resources
  - Soft and Hard targets
- Heterogeneous
  - Operating Systems
  - Network Protocols/Equipment
  - Offensive and Defensive Tools
- Reconfigurable
  - Ghost Images
  - Removable hard drives







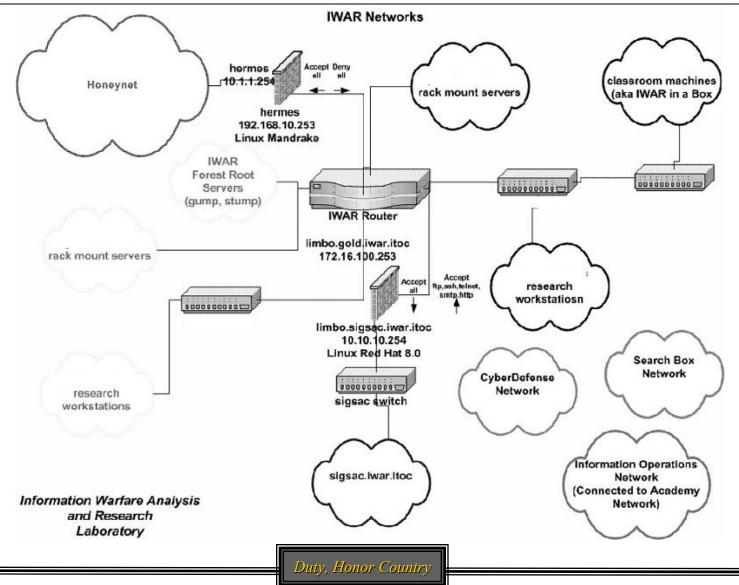
- Firewalls
- Malicious Active Content Exploits
- Vulnerability Scanners
- Viruses and Worms
- Cryptography and Encryption
- Trojan Horses
- Application and Protocol Wrappers
- Buffer Overflow Exploits
- Honey Pots/Honeynets
- Access Control Methods

- Protocol Exploits
- Integrity Maintenance Systems
- Network Sniffers
- Mail and Protocol Spoofers
- Distributed DoS Tools
- Intrusion Detection Systems
- Race Condition Exploits
- Password Cracking Software
- Forensics Analysis Tools
- Port Scanners



#### **IWAR Networks**

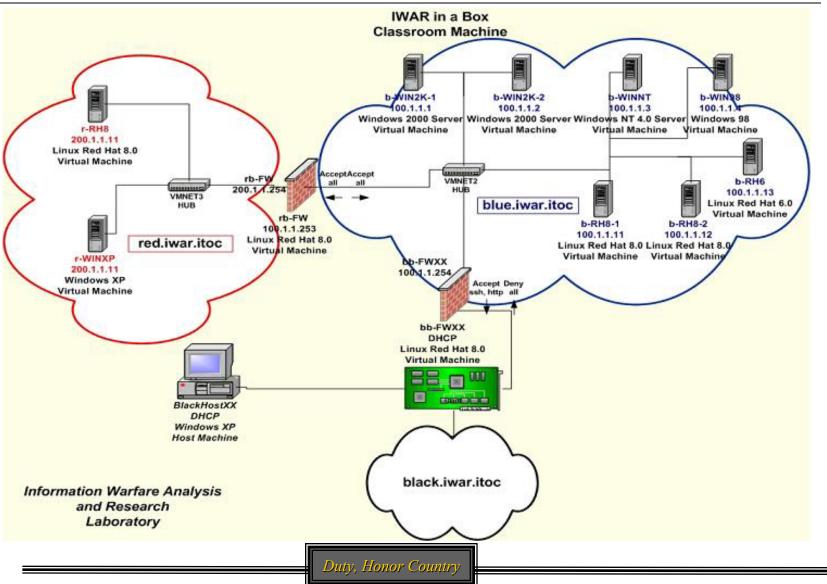






#### **IWAR-in-a-Box**







## **Cyber Defense Exercise**

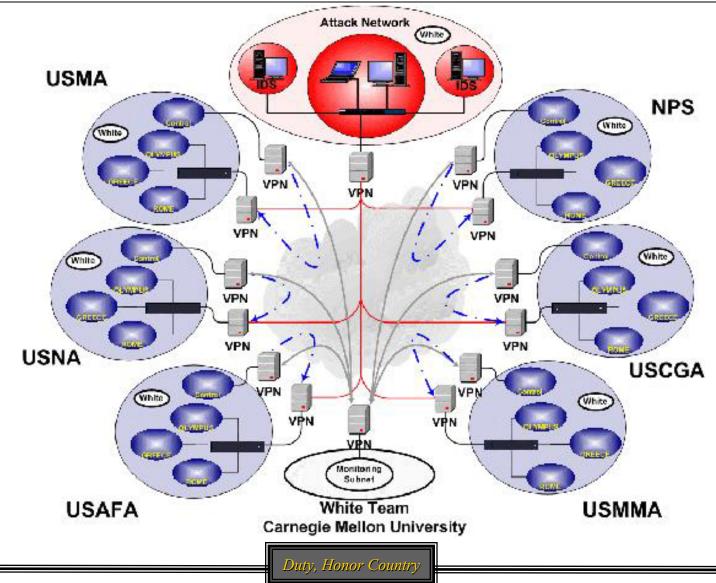


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- General Concept
  - Defense of a network against an adversarial force
  - Blue Forces
    - US Service Academies and NPS
  - Red Forces
    - National Security Agency
    - 92nd Information Warfare Aggressor Squadron
    - 1<sup>st</sup> Information Operations Command
  - White Cell
    - Carnegie Mellon



#### **Cyber Defense Network**







# Cyber Defense Exercise



- Key Educational Aspects
  - Competitive
  - Active learning
  - Project-based
- Developmental Areas
  - Leadership Ability
  - Planning Ability



#### Cadets take aim at cyber foes

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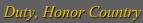
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#### **CDX Award Ceremony**





- Full Time NSA Liaison
- IA Conference Sponsorship
- NSA Trip
- NSA Internships
- Intelligence Community Access
- CDX Support
- Sabbaticals



•NSA Information Assurance Director's Trophy



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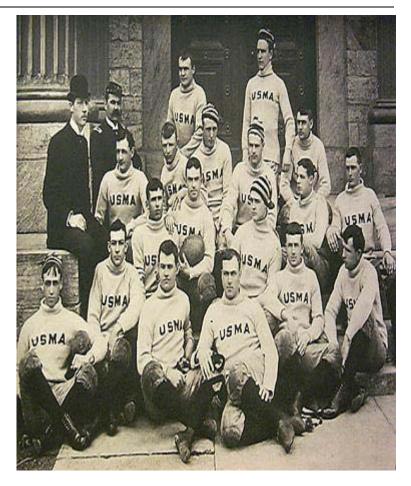


# **Preparation for War**

"On the fields of friendly strife are sewn the seeds that upon other fields on other days will bear the fruits of victory..."

**GEN Douglas MacArthur** 

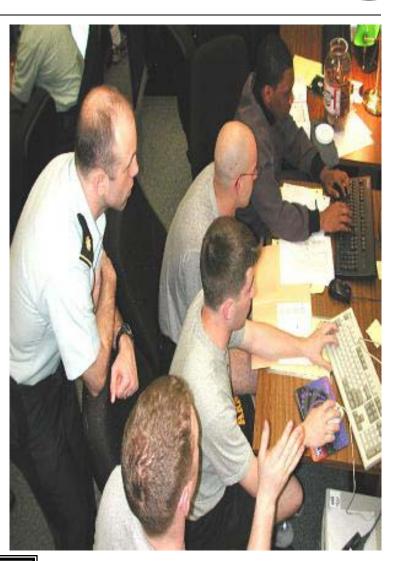




# Preparation for Information War

"On the networks of friendly strife are sewn the seeds that upon other *networks* on other days will bear the fruits of victory..."

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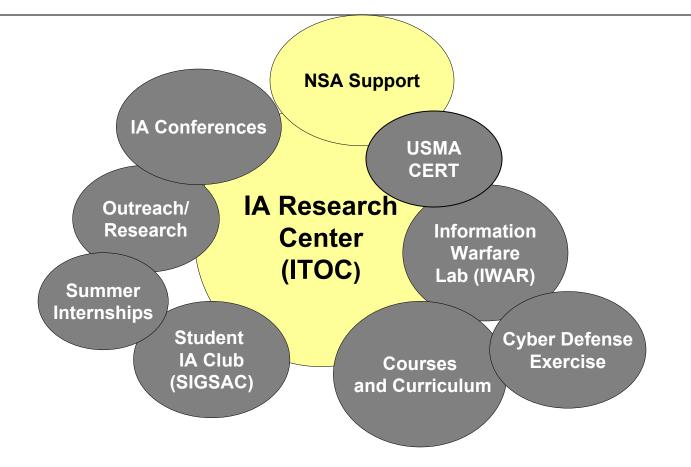


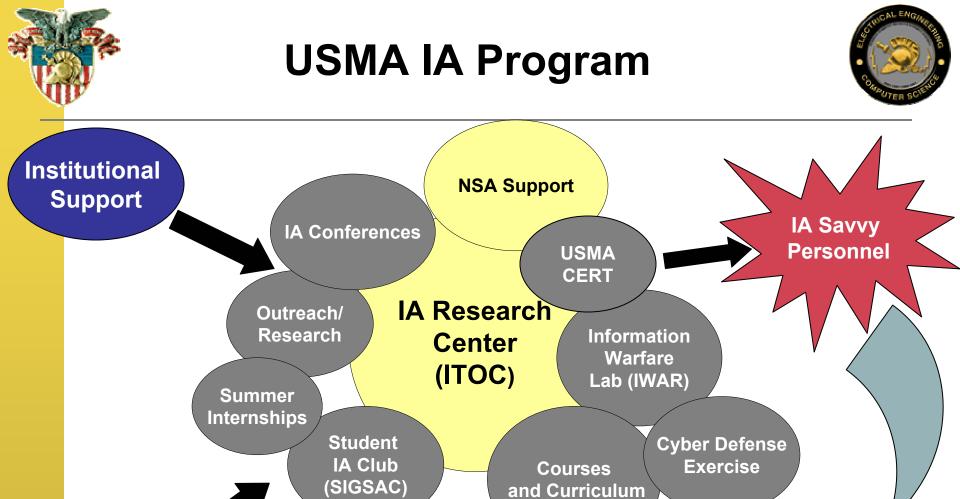




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