3825 ACADEMIC SERVICES GROUP

MISSION

LINEAGE

3825 Academic Services Group

STATIONS

Maxwell AFB, AL

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Non air force service schools phased out; its responsibilities passed to administrative services division. Directorate of documentary research transferred from Air University Institute of Professional Development and attached to academic publications division. Au Professional Military Education registar is established; provides transcript services to former au resident students. Audiovisual media production increases; still faces possible contracting out to commercial firms. Unit historian school conducted; receives accreditation from the American council on education. Contractor problems cause severe microfilming backlogs at the Albert F. Simpson Historical Research Center and delays in setting up the microfilm service center. Inferential Retrieval Indexing System, a computer based retrieval system for providing bibliographic information and subject references, awaits action of Headquarters Chief, Office

of Air Force History. Documentary research branch experiences manpower reduction. Contemporary Historical Examination of Current Operations team deployed to Torrejon Air Base, Spain. Declassification efforts at Albert F. Simpson Historical Research Center continue.

School was redesignated from the academic instructor and allied officer school to the Academic Instructor and Foreign Officer School. Academic instructor course became the academic instructor school and the allied officer familiarization course became the foreign officer school. Responsibility for Air University television services was transferred to us when the 3825 Academic Service Group inactivated. Became the monitor for the audiovisual services contract.

Lt Gen Raymond B. Furlong, Air University commander, designated aifos as the au center of excellence for educational methodology. Auditorium in building 802 was dedicated as Shelburne hall. Dr. James C. Shelburne was a member of the Air University staff from 1946 until his retirement in 1972. Academic instructor school criterion objective lesson planning block of instruction was completely revised. A programmed text was developed to introduce key terms and concepts of level of learning lesson planning. Sequence of teaching instructional methods changed. Level of learning required for student practice teaching lessons evolved to a building block approach. Evaluation staff designed new and highly effective evaluation forms for testing and critiquing procedures. Foreign officer school made improvements in their programs of instruction. A standardized briefing guide was devised. A statistical analysis program was introduced and the visual aids library expanded. Our DoD informational program was one of the best in the air force. Air university television provided television production, distribution, and library services to all au professional military education schools and production service to non-Air University units in the Maxwell/Gunter area; assumed responsibility for monitoring the technicolor graphics contract.

Covers final history of academic activities in support of the education mission at Air University and reassignment plans when 3825 Academic Services Group was inactivated, 77/06/30.

Supporting documents include staff reports from intelligence division with information on debriefing concept and debriefing roster; inspector general section contains letter concerning operation homecoming; miscellaneous messages concerning operation homecoming; section from office of history. Information on participation by Air Command and Staff College, squadron officer school, air university institute of professional development, academic instructor and allied officer school, and 3825 Academic Services Group in Operation Homecoming. Contains biographical sketches of POW (prisoner of war) returnees. 1973

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