

EXTENSION COURSE INSTITUTE

LINEAGEⁱ

STATIONS

Gunter AFB, AL

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Col Wagner, #1961

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

It was activated on August 27, 1940, as a basic flying school, a mission that has left a proud mark on its history through the years. The base turned out 12,000 American, British, French and Chinese pilots during WWII.

In January, 1946, training of Chinese students ended at the base. It was little used until October 11, 1950, when the Gunter Branch, School of Aviation Medicine was established and the 3882nd School Group was activated as a tenant organization. In 1959, the School was redesignated as the USAF Medical Service School, and the 3882nd was changed to the 3790th. Also in May of 1950, the USAF Extension Course Institute was organized at Gunter. Since that date, ECI has thrived and now has a student body of nearly 250,000.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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