

## STRATCOMM #2

### SOS DL Students

We are excited to announce the release of SOS DL 2.0. This program is designed to enhance critical/creative thinking and value your time as Airmen to meet the imperative outlined in the USAF Strategic Master Plan, May 2015:

*“...develop Airmen who are critical and creative thinkers by implementing an agile, individually tailored approach to life-long education...”*

As many of you are aware, the current SOS DL Course 22 consists of four courses—three lengthy self-paced courses and one short facilitated course. While the facilitated course offers direct instructor involvement and some peer-to-peer interaction, these interactions are limited. The new SOS DL 2.0 program provides a vastly improved educational experience with shorter self-paced courses, added facilitated courses, student choice, and the removal of testing at test control facilities/Education Offices. Feedback from the recent transformation of other DL programs confirms that the blend of short, self-paced courses alongside instructor-facilitated courses with peer-to-peer interaction and collaboration have proven invaluable to students.

#### **Key points for planning.**

- **SOS DL 2.0 launch.** SOS DL 2.0 opens 18 January 2017 for new enrollments.
- **SOS DL Course 22 phase-out.** The current SOS DL program, known as Course 22, will close to new enrollments on 17 January 2017.
- **No transfer credit.** There is NO transfer of credit between Course 22 and SOS DL 2.0. Course 22 students must complete the entire program NLT 30 September 2017 to receive PME credit.
- **Further details** and planning factors for those wishing to complete SOS DL Course 22 before it closes will be available in early January 2017.

The eSchool stands ready to serve the professional development and educational needs of the world's finest air, space and cyberspace force. What's more, we believe you're going to find the enhanced learning opportunities in this new program enjoyable and rewarding. YOU are the focus of all we do.

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