

Country Squires Presentation for November 2019

Norwich's University's Unique Position in American Higher Education

Presented by Dr. Richard W. Schneider

One of the longest seated college presidents in the country, Dr. Richard W. Schneider proudly carries on the tradition Norwich University founder Captain Alden Partridge began 200 years ago of preparing “citizen soldiers” to serve our nation. Through his experience in the military and academia, as well as his service in the U.S. Coast Guard, Dr. Schneider epitomizes Norwich's unique position in American higher education as a senior military college and birthplace of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

A native of Queens, New York, Dr. Schneider is a 1968 graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. He was commissioned as an ensign in the Coast Guard and served eight years of active duty, including a tour of Vietnam. Dr. Schneider retired from the Coast Guard Reserve as a Rear Admiral in July 1998.

In July 1992, Dr. Schneider became the 23rd President of Norwich University. Since then, he has championed Norwich's charge to distinguish the University in the marketplace of higher education institutions by educating students to be global leaders in the private sector, government and the military.