U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE
Est. 1884
NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

FAST FACTS

"THE NAVY'S HOME OF THOUGHT"

WHAT WE DO

- Educate and Develop Leaders
- Support Defining the Future Navy and Associated Roles and Missions
- Support Combat Readiness
- Strengthen Global Maritime Partnerships

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A Professional Graduate-Level Educational and Research Institution

The U.S. Naval War College started more than 125 years ago as a small institution with mostly summer courses. It has evolved into a one-year, resident program that graduates about 600 students a year, and a robust distance program that graduates about 1,000 students a year. Students earn Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) credit and either a diploma or a master's degree in National Security and Strategic Studies.

Established in 1884, the U.S. Naval War College is the oldest institution of its kind in the world. More than 50,000 students have graduated since its first class of 9 students in 1885 and about 300 of today's active-duty admirals and generals and senior executive service leaders are alumni.

The college's Professional Military Education (PME) programs prepare leaders for the challenges of operational and/or strategic level leadership over the remainder of their careers as decision makers and problem solvers. More than 1,400 students have graduated from the Maritime Staff Operators Course and more than 342 U.S. and international flag and general officers from the flag course.

Just as our educational programs have expanded in depth and reach, so have the research and analysis efforts conducted by our Center for Naval Warfare Studies. Through war games, conferences, workshops, and publications, our research arm provides direct curriculum support to our educational programs and focused, task-driven analysis for fleet customers and government agencies across the national security spectrum.

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EDUCATING LEADERS SINCE 1884

Throughout its history, the Naval War College has held fast to the belief, first articulated by its founding president, Rear Admiral Stephen B. Luce:

"The War College is a place of original research on all questions relating to war and to statesmanship connected with war, or the prevention of war."

Viribus Mari Victoria
"Victory Through Sea Power"

Statistics current as of January 2012

Established
1884 – Oldest war college in the world

Location
Coasters Harbor Island,
Naval Station Newport, Rhode Island

Current (53rd) President
Rear Adm. John N. Christenson

Faculty: 307
191 Civilian
116 Military
(165 are teaching faculty)

Staff: 290
211 Civilian
79 Navy personnel

Courses
- Strategy and Policy or Strategy and War
- National Security Decision Making or Theater Security Decision Making
- Joint Military Operations or Joint Maritime Operations
- Electives
- Joint/Combined Force Maritime Component Commander Courses
- Executive Level OLW Course
- Maritime Staff Operators Course
- Maritime Advanced War-fighting School

Degree Granted
Master of Arts
National Security and Strategic Studies

Academic Accreditation
New England Association of Schools and Colleges

Joint Professional Military Education (JPME)
Accredited by Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff to award JPME Phase I/II credit

Center for Naval Warfare Studies
Links NWC to the fleet and Washington policy makers as a source of strategic and operational thought through research, analysis and gaming

Resident Student Body

Total Students on Campus	566

Senior Class
College of Naval Warfare (U.S.)
Naval Command College (international)

U.S. Navy	82
U.S. Army	38
U.S. Air Force	27
U.S. Marine Corps	25
U.S. Coast Guard	3
U.S. Civilian	22
International Naval Officers	45

Intermediate Class
College of Naval Command & Staff (U.S.)
Naval Staff College (international)

U.S. Navy	156
U.S. Army	59
U.S. Air Force	28
U.S. Marine Corps	22
U.S. Coast Guard	4
U.S. Civilian	13
International Naval Officers	42

College of Distance Education
Fleet Seminar Program with faculty-led instruction at 20 satellite campuses and non-degree granting Web-enabled and CD-ROM based programs

Fleet Seminar	996
NWC at Naval Postgraduate School	1,600
Web-enabled Program	1,409
CD-ROM Program	800
Graduate Degree Program	586
Total Distance Course Enrollments	5,391

College of Operational & Strategic Leadership
Leadership continuum of Professional Military Education (PME) for Navy personnel, supports combat readiness and the operational level of war through courses and an Assist & Assess Team

Senior Enlisted Academy
Aligned with NWC, provides senior enlisted leaders resident and distance education in communication skills, leadership and management, national security affairs, Navy programs, and physical fitness

Naval War College Press Publications
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