



Rear Admiral Jacob L. Shuford
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Rear Admiral Jacob Shuford, the fifty-first president of the Naval War College, led the College through an unprecedented period of mission growth, program expansion, and increased international engagement. He restructured the basic curriculum, and created the flag-level Joint Force Maritime Component Commander course, the Maritime Staff Operators course, and a re-chartered Operational Planner Course. At the strategic level, the College played the key role in designing the overall process for the nation's maritime strategy as well as planning and executing the geostrategic analysis that supported it. He reinstated Title X war gaming and initiated a highly influential series of concept-development activities addressing maritime ballistic missile defense, antisubmarine warfare, homeland defense organization, and command and control of maritime forces.

Admiral Shuford worked with international counterparts to produce a network of naval colleges and associated institutions to collaborate on global maritime security issues. He established regional symposia and reunions for the College's International Program graduates and flag-level courses with partner navies around the world. These and other efforts nearly doubled the number of navies participating in the International Seapower Symposium to ninety-eight, making the event the single largest gathering of naval leadership in history.

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