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Professor Grahlman joined the faculty in 1999 as an Adjunct Professor for the College of Distance Education teaching JMO at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. In 2000, when the Naval War College, Monterey Program was established, he lead the creation of the JMO Department. Professor Grahlman has taught JMO in the seminar, directed studies and web-assisted formats.

Prior to joining the War College faculty, Mr. Grahlman did strategic planning in the private sector.

While on active duty, Commander Grahlman, began his work in education technology at the Naval Postgraduate School and served as the Director, Distributed Education (Operational Forces) with the Institute for Defense Education and Analysis.

His Command tour of HS-14 included transitioning the squadron to the SH-60 SEA HAWK, executing a homeport change to Atsugi, Japan, implementing Total Quality Leadership and briefing the CNO, Admiral Frank Kelso, on the squadron's successes with TQL. Squadron awards included three consecutive CNO Safety Awards, the Battle "E", the "Golden Anchor" and a Meritorious Unit Commendation.

Commander Grahlman was presented the 1994 JOHN PAUL JONES AWARD for INSPIRATIONAL LEADERSHIP by Admiral Mike Boorda, Chief of Naval Operations, and Mr. Evan Baker, President of the Navy League of the United States.

His Operational tours included deployments to the Mediterranean during the start of the Iranian hostage crisis, the Indian Ocean during the conclusion of the Iranian hostage crisis, the Mediterranean again to Beirut and then to Libya for Operation Eldorado Canyon, the North Arabian Gulf for Operations Praying Mantis and Earnest Will, back to the Indian Ocean (Somalia) for Operation Restore Hope and finally to the South China Sea for the third Taiwan Strait Crisis.

His Staff tours included serving as the Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, Naval Postgraduate School and as a Strategic Analyst on the Joint Staff (J-8). For his work with the B-2 bomber buy, the strategic target base, and various nuclear force predictions while on the Joint Staff, he was named the Nuclear Force Analysis Division, Action Officer of the Year.

He is an unrestricted Naval Aviator with significant experience in the UH-1, SH-3 and SH-60 aircraft. He is also a qualified Command Duty Officer and Officer of the Deck on the USS Ponce (LPD-15) and USS Nimitz (CVN-68), and is entitled to wear the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (Combat V and gold star in lieu of third award), Naval Achievement Medal and various unit and campaign awards.

His Professional Military Education includes the Armed Forces Staff College and The Naval War College.

His formal education includes; an MS in Operations Research from the Naval Postgraduate School where he also won the Military Operations Research Society, Graduate Research Award for his thesis work in Computer Integrated Design, Manufacture and Maintenance in Naval Shipyards and a BS in Architecture from Oregon State University.