



THE UNITED STATES NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

GRADUATION PROGRAM



NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

November 10, 2020



HISTORY OF THE U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

Founded in Newport, Rhode Island on October 6, 1884, the U.S. Naval War College is the oldest war college in the world. Commodore Stephen B. Luce was the first President and organized the War College as a place to study the highest aspects of the military profession, defining it as “a place of original research on all questions relating to war and to statesmanship connected with war, or the prevention of war.” These foundations were built upon by Captain Alfred Thayer Mahan, second President of the College, who had originally been selected by Luce to initiate the course in Naval History. Of all the men who were to influence the institution in its early years, none was to have a more profound impact. Mahan’s views deeply affected such leaders as Henry Cabot Lodge and Theodore Roosevelt and through them and others helped shape the United States’ destiny at the turn of the century. Mahan’s Naval War College lectures, published as *The Influence of Sea Power Upon History, 1660–1783* (1890), gained him worldwide acclaim and first established the U.S. Naval War College as an internationally respected institution. Other early faculty members made pioneering contributions to hallmark areas of enduring interest for the College. Among them were Charles Stockton, who drafted the first international law code for naval warfare in 1898, and William McCarty Little, who developed the art of naval war gaming between 1886 and 1914.

Functioning continuously since 1884, except for brief periods during the Spanish-American War and World War I, the War College numbers among its graduates such distinguished naval officers as Admirals Sims, Spruance, King, Nimitz, and Halsey, in addition to many others who today are holding prominent positions.

The work begun more than one hundred years ago by Luce and Mahan continues today. As graduates well know, the curriculum is both demanding and rewarding. For the military professional, the unique education provided by the Naval War College is unrivaled. In recognition of the academic rigor and educational excellence of its program, the U.S. Naval War College has been accredited since 1991 by first the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and now the New England Commission of Higher Education to award a Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies. In 2015 this accreditation was expanded to award two degrees. Graduating students in the senior level course now receive a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies while graduating students in the intermediate course receive a Master of Arts in Defense and Strategic Studies.



VIRTUAL GRADUATION PROGRAM

Ceremonial Music.....Navy Band Northeast

Master of Ceremonies.....Captain Cynthia A. Dieterly, U.S. Navy
Dean of Students, U.S. Naval War College

National Anthem.....Musician Second Class Rachel Vennel, U.S. Navy
Vocalist, Navy Band Northeast

Invocation.....Commander James L. Dance, CHC, U.S. Navy
Executive Officer, Naval Chaplaincy School and Center

Welcome and Distinguished Graduate Leadership

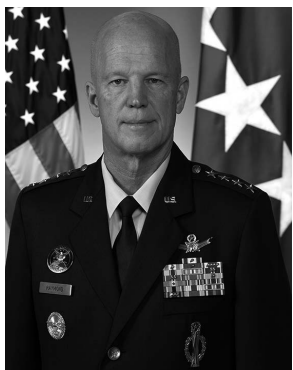
Award Presentation.....Rear Admiral Shoshana S. Chatfield, U.S. Navy
President, U.S. Naval War College

Commencement Address.....General John W. Raymond, U.S. Space Force
Chief of Space Operations

Presentation of Graduates

Charge to Graduates.....Rear Admiral Shoshana S. Chatfield, U.S. Navy
President, U.S. Naval War College

Benediction.....Commander James L. Dance, CHC, U.S. Navy
Executive Officer, Naval Chaplaincy School and Center



GENERAL JOHN W. RAYMOND
CHIEF OF SPACE OPERATIONS, U.S. SPACE COMMAND

Gen. John W. “Jay” Raymond is the Chief of Space Operations, United States Space Force. As Chief, he serves as the senior uniformed Space Force officer responsible for the organization, training and equipping of all organic and assigned space forces serving in the United States and overseas.

Gen. Raymond was commissioned through the ROTC program at Clemson University in 1984. He has commanded at squadron, group, wing, numbered air force, Major Command and Combatant Command levels. Notable staff assignments include serving in the Office of Force Transformation, Office of the Secretary of Defense; the Director of Plans, Programs and Analyses at Air Force Space Command; the Director of Plans and Policy (J5), U.S. Strategic Command; and the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force.

Gen. Raymond deployed to Southwest Asia as Director of Space Forces in support of operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM. Prior to leading establishment of the U.S. Space Force and serving as the first Chief of Space Operations, Gen. Raymond led the re-establishment of U.S. Space Command as the eleventh U.S. combatant command.



REAR ADMIRAL SHOSHANA S. CHATFIELD PRESIDENT, U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

Rear Admiral Shoshana S. Chatfield is the fifty-seventh President of the U.S. Naval War College and a career naval helicopter pilot. A native of Garden Grove, California, she graduated from Boston University in 1987 with a Bachelor of Arts in International Relations and French Language and Literature. She received her commission through the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps in 1988 and earned her wings of gold in 1989. Chatfield was awarded the Navy's Political/Military Scholarship and attended the Kennedy School of Government, receiving a Master of Public Administration from Harvard University in 1997.

In 2009, the University of San Diego conferred upon her a doctorate of education in leadership studies.

Operationally, she flew the SH-3, CH-46D and MH-60S and deployed in helicopter detachments to the Western Pacific and Arabian Gulf supporting carrier strike group and amphibious ready group operations.

Ashore, she participated in the Joint Staff/OSD Internship Program, augmenting the Joint Staff, Plans and Policy (J-5) Directorate, Central & Eastern European Branch and served as assistant professor of political science at the United States Air Force Academy from 2001–2004.

Chatfield commanded at the squadron and type wing level and additionally commanded a joint provincial reconstruction team in Farah Province, Afghanistan. Most recently, Chatfield commanded Joint Region Marianas from January 2017 to August 2019.



DR. JAMES E. HICKEY
ACTING PROVOST, U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

Dr. James E. “Jay” Hickey, Acting Provost, is a 1980 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. He earned graduate degrees from Troy University and King’s College London, and graduated from the Naval War College’s non-resident program with distinction in 1992. He holds a Ph.D. in Humanities from Salve Regina University, where he focused on ethics and the use of precision-guided munitions. He is the author of *Precision-Guided Munitions and Human Suffering in War* (Ashgate; 2012). A career Naval Flight Officer in the A-6E Intruder, he served a number of operational and staff tours including overseas duty in Bahrain and the United Kingdom. Prior to joining the Strategy and Policy Department as a military faculty member in 2000, he taught for three years at the UK’s Joint Services Command and Staff College then located at RAF Bracknell west of London. He joined the College of Distance Education (CDE) faculty in early 2005 to help launch the Navy Knowledge Online–based series of Professional Military Education courses for junior officers and the enlisted force, which today have over 330,000 students enrolled. From 2007 until 2010 he served as the non-resident Graduate Degree Program Manager before serving as the Director of CDE from July 2010 until July 2015. He then served as Associate Provost until being appointed as the Acting Provost in July 2020.



DR. PHIL HAUN
DEAN OF ACADEMICS, U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

Phil Haun has been the Dean of Academics and a Professor at the U.S. Naval War College since 2016. He previously served in the U.S. Air Force as an officer and A-10 pilot with combat tours in Iraq, Bosnia, Kosovo, and Afghanistan. His last assignment was as Commander of AFROTC at Yale University. Phil's military education includes National Security Fellow at the JFK School of Government, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Air Command and Staff College, and USAF Weapons School. His areas of scholarly and professional expertise are coercion, deterrence, air power theory, strategy, international relations, and security studies. Phil holds a Ph.D. in Political Science/International Relations from MIT, a master's degree in Economics from Vanderbilt, and a bachelor's degree in Engineering Studies from Harvard. He taught Economics at the Air Force Academy, Strategy and Policy at the U.S. Naval War College, and Military History and Grand Strategy at Yale University. For the past decade he has been a research affiliate with MIT's Security Studies Program. His books include *Lectures of the Air Corps Tactical School and American Strategic Bombing in World War II* (UP Kentucky, 2019), *Coercion, Survival, and War: Why Weak States Resist the United States* (Stanford UP, 2015), and *A-10s over Kosovo* (Air University Press, 2003). His latest article with the *Journal of Strategic Studies* is "Peacetime military innovation through inter-service cooperation: The unique case of the U.S. Air Force and Battlefield Air Interdiction."

COLLEGE OF NAVAL WARFARE

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Lieutenant Colonel Mark D. Phillips, U.S. Army National Guard
Lieutenant Colonel Dylan W. Presley, U.S. Army Reserve
Lieutenant Colonel James William Ridings, U.S. Army National Guard
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* Distinction

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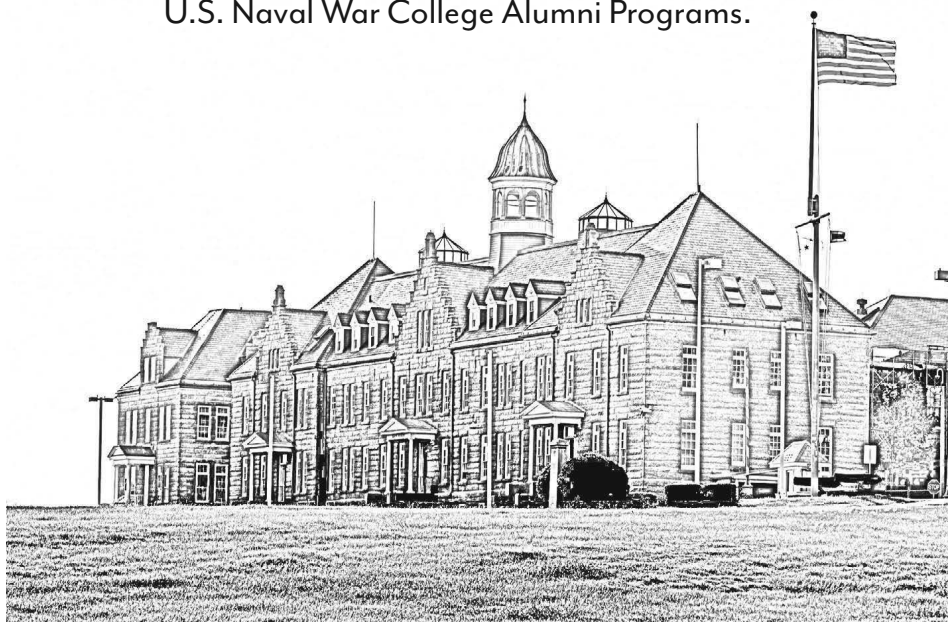
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—Admiral Stephen B. Luce



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For a list of distinguished graduates, please visit the U.S. Naval War College
website at <https://usnwc.edu/Graduation-November-2020>.



The motto of the Naval War College is

"Victory through Sea Power."

The trident rising from the water symbolizes mastery of naval activities—its three tines are evocative of naval warfare on sea, air, and land. The pilot wheel atop the shield alludes to the mission of the college—education in naval warfare. The wheel's eight spokes symbolize honor, duty, leadership, command, strategy, tactics, logistics, and weapons. The laurel wreath represents achievement of the mission.