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CDE Policy Memorandum 2-25

Subj: CDE PROGRAM CREDIT FOR MSOC/MOPC COURSES

Ref: (a) DoA Policy Memorandum 1-17 of 7 Mar 17
(b) CDE Policy Memorandum 1-25 of 3 Jan 25

1. Background. Reference (a) was updated by reference (b) to approve the College of Distance Education (CDE) awarding of credit for Naval Command & Staff (NC&S) Module 5, Fleet Seminar Program (FSP) Block 5, and Naval War College at Naval Postgraduate School (NWC-at-NPS) Block 5, the Joint Planning Process (JPP), for Maritime Staff Operators Course (MSOC) and Maritime Operational Planners Course (MOPC) graduates upon student request. To receive credit, the student must enroll in a CDE JPME-I program and successfully complete the Joint Maritime Operations (JMO) curriculum through the portion that immediately precedes the JPP. This approval was extended to MSOC graduates from AY 2013 forward (beginning 1 July 2012), and to MOPC graduates since that course's inception in March 2014.
2. In June 2025 an additional course, Leadership in the Profession of Arms (LPA), was added to the NC&S Online Program, moving the JPP to course 6 beginning in March 2026. Henceforth, MSOC and MOPC graduates, upon student request, will be awarded credit for course 6, subject to the restrictions in the paragraph above.
3. Upon enrollment in a CDE JPME-I program and the student's request, CDE will assign MSOC and MOPC graduates a grade of 88 for a Pass or a 92 for a High Pass.
4. This policy will remain in effect until further notice and will be reviewed upon major changes to CDE's JPME 1 programs or to CMOW's MSOC or MOPC courses.

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