

#### THE UNITED STATES NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

# GRADUATION CEREMONY

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## Welcome to the United States Naval War College Graduation Ceremony

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#### 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 states manship 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.

#### THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION AND REGALIA

For centuries, institutions of higher learning have dignified their ceremonies with an academic procession, a custom descending from the clerical procession. The procession is led by a marshal, followed by the student body and the academicians or faculty, attired in the robes prescribed for their respective degrees. Distinguished visitors and delegates follow the faculty, and last in the procession comes the president of the institution.

Each member of an academic procession ordinarily wears a cap, gown, and hood. In the procession today military faculty will not wear academic gowns. The earliest illustration depicts gowns worn at Oxford University that somewhat resemble cassocks worn by English teachers who found good use for the hood, or cowl, as protection against the weather. A uniform American system of academic heraldry displays the level of degree, the field of study in which it was earned, and the institution by which it was granted.

It is the hood which provides academic regalia its color and offers the most information about its wearer. The silk lining of the hood bears the color, or colors, of the degree-granting college or university; its velvet facing reveals the color assigned to each area of study. The Bachelor's gown is relatively simple, falling in straight lines from an elaborate yoke and having pointed sleeves. The Master's gown is slightly more elaborate and fastens about the wrist. The Doctor's gown is marked by velvet panels down the front and around the neck, as well as by three bars of the same material on the well-shaped sleeves. It is cut more fully and may be ornamented. The hood worn is three feet in length for Bachelors, three and one-half feet for Masters, and four feet for Doctors, with velvet trimming of two, three, and five inches in width respectively.

The edging, or facing, velvet of academic hoods indicates the area of study. The principal scholarly fields seen in the procession today include:

Philosophy	Dark Blue
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Business Administration	Light Brown
Economics	Copper
Engineering	Orange
Law	Purple
International Affairs/Public Administration	Peacock Blue

The American mortarboard, derived from the soft Oxford cap, is black. Its tassel, for holders of the bachelor's and master's degree, is usually black, while gold tassels are worn by holders of doctoral degrees and heads of institutions. The tassel is worn on the right side of the cap by undergraduates, on the left by holders of bachelor's and higher degrees.



### **GRADUATION PROGRAM**

Processional Music	Navy Band Northeast
Procession of Students and	d Faculty
Arrival of Official Party*	
National Anthem*	MU3 Cristiana Villalva
Invocation*	Chaplain David M. Todd Commander, U.S. Navy
Welcome	Dr. Lewis M. Duncan Acting President, U.S. Naval War College
Commencement Address	The Honorable Richard V. Spencer Secretary of the Navy
Student Academic Awards	
McGinnis Family Award for Outstanding Performance	in Nonresident Seminar Education
RADM Joseph C. Strasser International Leadership I	Prizes
Navy League Awards	
	<b>Distinguished Original Research</b> Dr. Geoffrey Till
Conferral of Honorary Deg	greeMrs. Hope H. van Beuren
Presentation of FADM Ern Graduation Certificate	est J. King, USN (Ret.)
Presentation of Graduates	
Presentation of Diplomas	
Charge to Graduates	Dr. Lewis M. Duncan Acting President, U.S. Naval War College
Benediction*	Chaplain David M. Todd Commander, U.S. Navy

Departure of Official Party\*



RICHARD V. SPENCER SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

Richard V. Spencer of Wyoming was sworn in as the 76th secretary of the Navy Aug. 3, 2017.

A Connecticut native, Spencer graduated from Rollins College in 1976 with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics. Upon graduation he joined the United States Marine Corps and proudly served as an H-46 pilot until 1981 before departing active duty to enter the private finance sector.

Spencer worked on Wall Street for 16 years with responsibilities centered on investment banking services and a particular focus on strategic advisory services and capital market underwriting. After three years as president of Crossroads Investment Management LLC, a leading venture capital and private equity fund-offunds investment firm, Spencer joined Intercontinental Exchange, Inc. (NYSE-ICE), the leading electronic commodity futures exchange, as chief financial officer. ICE introduced transparency and risk management to the global derivatives markets. As vice chairman he was responsible for the transition of the company from private to public, including initial board of directors recruitment, the initial public offering and the subsequent three secondary offerings, financial reporting, strategy development and implementation, and human resources management.

From 2007 to 2017 Spencer was the managing director of Fall Creek Management, LLC.

Spencer served on the Board of Directors of Global Atlantic Financial Group, ENGAGEcx LLC, 86Borders LLC and StarPound Technologies. His charitable activities include board service on the Marine Corps Heritage Foundation, The Community Foundation of Jackson Hole, Teton County Search & Rescue Foundation, Veterans Campaign/Center for Second Service, and Honoring Our Vets. Spencer served on the Defense Business Board and the Chief of Naval Operations Executive Panel.



#### DR. LEWIS M. DUNCAN ACTING PRESIDENT, U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

Lewis M. Duncan currently serves as Acting President of the U.S. Naval War College, the preeminent advanced military education school in the world. As Provost, Dr. Duncan serves as the College's chief operating officer, overseeing the continuum of professional military education programs, residential and online, as well as operational administration of the institution.

Dr. Duncan is internationally recognized as an accomplished research scientist in experimental space physics and radiophysics, and as a leading scholar in study of the societal and ethical implications of emerging technologies.

Additionally, he serves on the Board of Directors of the Center for the Advancement of Science in Space, responsible for management of the U.S. National Laboratory of the International Space Station. He also is an Associated Fellow of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, supporting the United Nations Operational Satellite Applications Technology (UNOSAT) program.

Previously, Dr. Duncan served for ten years as President of Rollins College. He also served as Dean of the Thayer School of Engineering and Professor of Engineering Sciences at Dartmouth College.

Dr. Duncan received his B.A. (1973) in physics and mathematics, M.A. (1976) and Ph.D. (1977) in space physics, all from Rice University. Among his past honors, he received the Alan Berman Award from U.S. Naval Research Laboratory and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi, Tau Beta Pi, and Phi Kappa Phi.



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

Dr. Hickey is a 1980 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. He earned graduate degrees from Troy University and King's College London and holds a Ph.D. from Salve Regina University. A career Naval Flight Officer, prior to joining the S&P faculty in 2000 he taught for three years at the UK's Joint Services Command and Staff College. He joined the College of Distance Education in 2005 to help launch the Navy Knowledge Online–based series of Professional Military Education courses for junior officers and the enlisted force. From 2007 until 2010 he served as the non-resident Graduate Degree Program Manager, then served five years as the Director of CDE. He assumed duties as the Associate Provost in July 2015 and became the Acting Provost on June 10, 2019.



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

Phil Haun joined the faculty of the U.S. Naval War College in January 2016 as Professor and Dean of Academics. His areas of scholarly and professional expertise are coercion, deterrence, air power theory, strategy, international relations, and security studies.

Phil served for 29 years as an active duty U.S. Air Force officer and A-10 pilot with combat tours in Iraq, Bosnia, Kosovo, and Afghanistan. He commanded an operational A-10 squadron, served as the Senior Air Force Advisor at the U.S. Naval War College, and prior to retirement commanded the Air Force ROTC Detachment at Yale University. His military education includes a National Security Fellowship at the JFK School of Government and he is a graduate of the School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, USAF Command and Staff College, and USAF Weapons School.

He holds a PhD in Political Science from MIT, an MA in economics from Vanderbilt, and an AB 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 national security studies at Yale University. He is a research affiliate with MIT's Security Studies Program. His latest book with Stanford University Press is *Coercion, Survival & War: Why Weak States Resist the United States* and his latest article with *International Security* is "Breakers of Armies: Air Power in the Easter Offensive and the Myths of Linebacker I and II in the Vietnam War."

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—Admiral Stephen B. Luce



### STUDENT BODY

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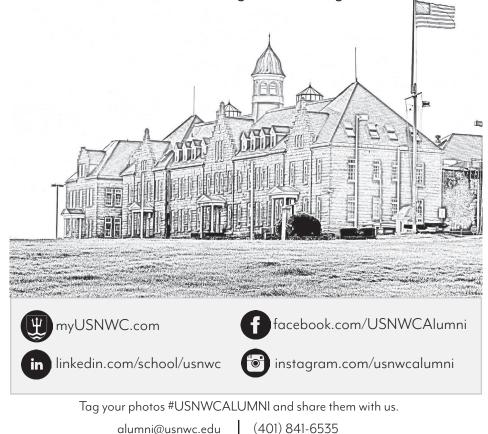
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