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.
GRADUATION PROGRAM

Ceremonial Music...............................Navy Band Northeast

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

National Anthem.................Musician Second Class Holden Moyer, U.S. Navy
                              Vocalist, Navy Band Northeast

Invocation.............................Commander Robert D. Fasnacht, CHC, U.S. Navy
                                    Command Chaplain, Naval Station Newport

Commencement Address..........................Dr. Stephen F. Knott
                                           Professor, National Security Affairs Department

Recognition of Honor Graduates

Presentation of Graduates

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

Benediction......................Commander Robert D. Fasnacht, CHC, U.S. Navy
                               Command Chaplain, Naval Station Newport
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. Stephen F. Knott is a Professor of National Security Affairs at the United States Naval War College. Prior to accepting his position at the Naval War College, Knott was Co-Chair of the Presidential Oral History Program at the Miller Center of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia. He also served for seven years as an Associate Professor in the Political Science Department at the United States Air Force Academy. He is the author of ten books dealing with the American presidency, the early republic, and American foreign policy. His most recent book, *Coming to Terms with John F. Kennedy*, was published in October 2022.
DR. STEPHEN J. MARIANO
PROVOST, U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

Dr. Stephen J. Mariano most recently served as the deputy commandant and dean of the NATO Defense College, in Rome, Italy. He also served on the faculties of the School of International Service at American University, National Defense University, the Royal Military College of Canada, and the U.S. Military Academy. He holds a B.A. in mathematics and economics from the University of California, Santa Barbara, an M.A. in national security affairs from the Naval Postgraduate School, and a Ph.D. in war studies from the Royal Military College of Canada.
Tim Schultz is the U.S. Naval War College Associate Dean of Academics. Prior to joining the Newport faculty in 2012 he served as the Dean of the U.S. Air Force’s School of Advanced Air and Space Studies. Tim earned his Ph.D. in the History of Technology from Duke University, and his research interests include the interaction between technology and strategy and the transformative role of automation in warfare. He is the author of The Problem with Pilots: How Physicians, Engineers, and Airpower Enthusiasts Redefined Flight (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2018) and co-editor of Air Power in the Age of Primacy: Air Warfare since the Cold War (Cambridge University Press, 2022). He is a graduate of the USAF Academy, Colorado State University, Air Command and Staff College, and the School of Advanced Air and Space Studies. Formerly a USAF colonel, he spent much of his aviation career as a U-2 pilot enjoying the view over interesting regions of the globe.
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Lieutenant Colonel Roger A. Beaulieu, U.S. Army Reserve
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Lieutenant Commander Daniel Tison, U.S. Navy
Major Steven G. Waugh, U.S. Army
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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.