



THE UNITED STATES NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

GRADUATION
CEREMONY



NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

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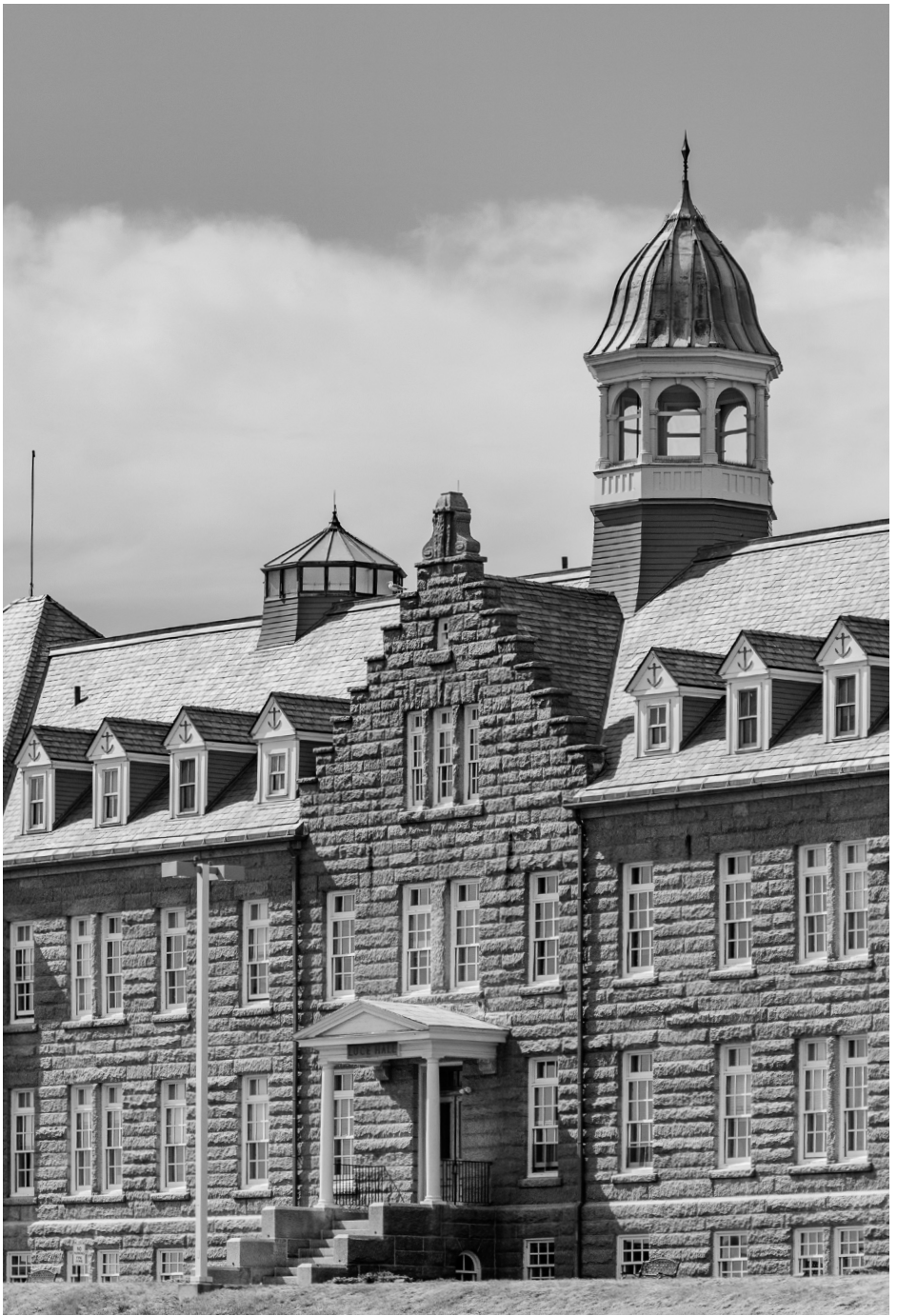


HISTORY OF THE U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

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 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.....Professor Sean C. Sullivan
Joint Military Operations 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 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.



PROFESSOR SEAN C. SULLIVAN JOINT MILITARY OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

Sean C. Sullivan is an Associate Professor of National Security Affairs at the United States Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. He is assigned to the Joint Military Operations Department and is a subject matter expert on force planning and the Department of Defense Formal Defense Resource Allocation processes. He is the author of numerous related articles, readings, and case studies on defense planning processes and has conducted force planning exercises and events at the Naval War College and for several international militaries and defense ministries.

A retired naval officer, Sullivan served in the United States Navy for more than twenty years. A Surface Warfare Officer, he was assigned to surface combatants, amphibious ships, and afloat staffs in the Pacific theater of operations for more than thirteen years. He deployed six times to the Western Pacific, Southeastern Pacific, Indian Ocean, and Arabian Gulf.

In 2009, Professor Sullivan served in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management and Comptroller) in the Scholar in Residence program. During this residency, he conducted research on national defense and capabilities-based planning. Additionally, he worked in the Navy's Policy Directorate on a variety of issues relating to the 2010 Quadrennial Defense Review, and Program Objective Memorandum FY2010.

Sean Sullivan was born in Waterbury, Connecticut. He attended the University of Rochester, in Rochester, New York, graduating in 1983 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. Sullivan attended the Naval War College, graduating in March 1999 with a Master of Arts Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies.

From 2001–2009, Sullivan was the Director of Adult Hockey and Head Coach of the Rhode Island Panthers Women's Hockey Team. The Panthers won three New England regional hockey championships and the USA Hockey National Silver Medal in 2007. Sullivan has won two Rhode Island State Bowling Championship titles and is a member of the Professional Bowlers Association.



**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.



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 *Air Power in the Age of Primacy* (Cambridge UP, 2022), *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 book is *Tactical Air Power and the Vietnam War: Explaining Effectiveness in Modern Air Warfare* (Cambridge UP, forthcoming October 2023).

COLLEGE OF NAVAL WARFARE

Commander Andrew C. Darjany, U.S. Navy‡
Commander Karl J. Hassenfratz, U.S. Navy
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Lieutenant Colonel Michael Andrew Michell, U.S. Army
Commander Garrett T. Pankow, U.S. Navy
Colonel Jason Todd Ruffin, U.S. Army Reserve
Lieutenant Colonel Jason T. Stuchlik, U.S. Army National Guard

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Lieutenant Commander Linzy Lewis III, U.S. Navy
Major Shannon M. McNulty, U.S. Army
Lieutenant Commander Ryan Quinn Miller, U.S. Navy
Lieutenant Commander Michael Anthony Mullee, U.S. Navy
Lieutenant Commander Joel Robert Nelson, U.S. Navy
Lieutenant Commander Lauren C. Nelson, U.S. Navy
Lieutenant Commander David Nostro, U.S. Navy

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* Distinction

† Highest Distinction

‡ Honor Graduate

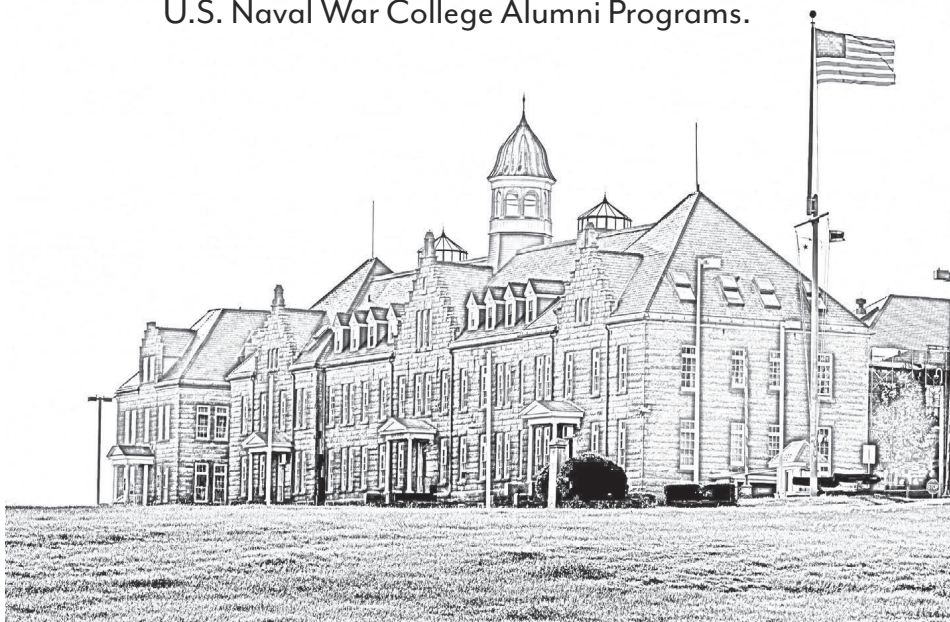
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For more information regarding March graduation, please visit the
U.S. Naval War College website at <https://usnwc.edu/Graduation-March-2023>.



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.