College of Maritime Operational Warfare

Executive Level Operational Level of Warfare Course

The Executive Level Operational Level of Warfare Course (ELOC) is part of a series of Professional Military Education courses that focuses at the senior leadership level. This course will ensure the attendees are properly educated in and understand the intricacies of effectively participating in the decision-making process and managing a Maritime Operations Center (MOC) and its resources.

Eligibility

• Students are selected to attend ELOC; candidates are senior officers (O6) that include Active Component personnel and activated Reserve Component officers serving as principals to the numbered fleet commander.

Location & Duration

• The one-week course for students is taught at the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island three times a year.

Learning Format

• This course is primarily seminar format but includes faculty-moderated sessions meant to encourage discussion among students followed by an application in case study-based planning and execution efforts.

Outcome

• Students in ELOC will gain an understanding of operational-level staff objectives and learn the procedure of those objectives in an operational environment. Students will gain an appreciation of the critical role of senior staff leadership within the MOC to enable simultaneous maritime operations.

General Program Overview

Foundations | Required

Discuss national strategy and concept documents governing the U.S. military and how the maritime-specific documents will apply to the Maritime/Navy Component level.

Decision Making | Required

Students will discuss in detail the Operations Process, the Navy Planning Process and the Joint Intelligence Preparation of the Operational Environment, and the emerging Design process.

Navy Operational Level of Warfare Organization | Required

Explore the fundamental concepts, description, and characteristics of a MOC in a working environment with a focus on forming a Combined Force Maritime Component Commander and Joint Force Maritime Component Commander staff.

Command and Control | Required

Students will be provided insights into the methodologies, complexities, and challenges of command and controlling from an OLW perspective.