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COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

"The best and brightest military officers from the United States and around the world come to the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California, to work with world-class faculty on real military and defense problems. At NPS, they gain both the intellectual know-how and the practical skills for improving defense technologies, systems and programs."

*-Former President of the United States
George H.W. Bush*



FALL QUARTER COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

December 16, 2016

King Hall

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VADM RONALD A. ROUTE, USN (RET.)

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CAPT MATTHEW VANDERSLUIS, USN

Vice Admiral Ronald A. Route, USN (Ret.)
President
Naval Postgraduate School

Retired Vice Adm. Ronald A. Route comes to the appointment as President, Naval Postgraduate School with over twenty years of leadership experience at the senior executive and operational level, which included responsibilities in graduate education, program requirements and resources, international affairs, research and development, and ethics.

Route's significant career assignments include President of the Naval War College, and Commander, Navy Warfare Development Command. He also served in two earlier flag officer assignments leading major divisions on the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO): Director of Navy Programming and Director, Politico-Military Affairs.

A career Surface Warfare Officer, Route's sea duty included assignments and deployments in cruisers, destroyers, frigates and aircraft carriers; he commanded the AEGIS cruiser USS LAKE ERIE (CG 70) and the guided-missile destroyer USS DEWEY (DDG 45). His most recent command at sea was the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON (CVN 73) Carrier Strike Group of ten ships plus the embarked carrier air wing.

Capping his active duty career of more than 36 years, his last assignment was as the Naval Inspector General, working directly for the Secretary of the Navy and the Chief of Naval Operations, where he directed an inspection, assessment and studies program that provided Navy headquarters leadership and major Navy commanders worldwide with important policy, organizational and ethics insight.

After retirement from the Navy in 2008, Route spent more than three years as a senior vice president at Burdeshaw Associates, Ltd. - an executive-level consulting firm specializing in defense industry and government business.

On Sept. 1, 2013, Route completed his term as President of the Surface Navy Association, a position he had held for nearly five years. He has also been a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, since 1998.

Route holds a Bachelor's of Science in Systems Engineering from the U.S. Naval Academy, and a Master's of Science in Operations Research from the Naval Postgraduate School. He also served as the Navy's Senior Military Fellow on the Council on Foreign Relations in New York City, and attended the Executive Business Course, Kenan-Flager Business School at the University of North Carolina.



Dr. Steven R. Lerman
Provost and Academic Dean
Naval Postgraduate School

Dr. Steven R. Lerman assumed the position of Provost and Academic Dean of the Naval Postgraduate School on August 29, 2016.

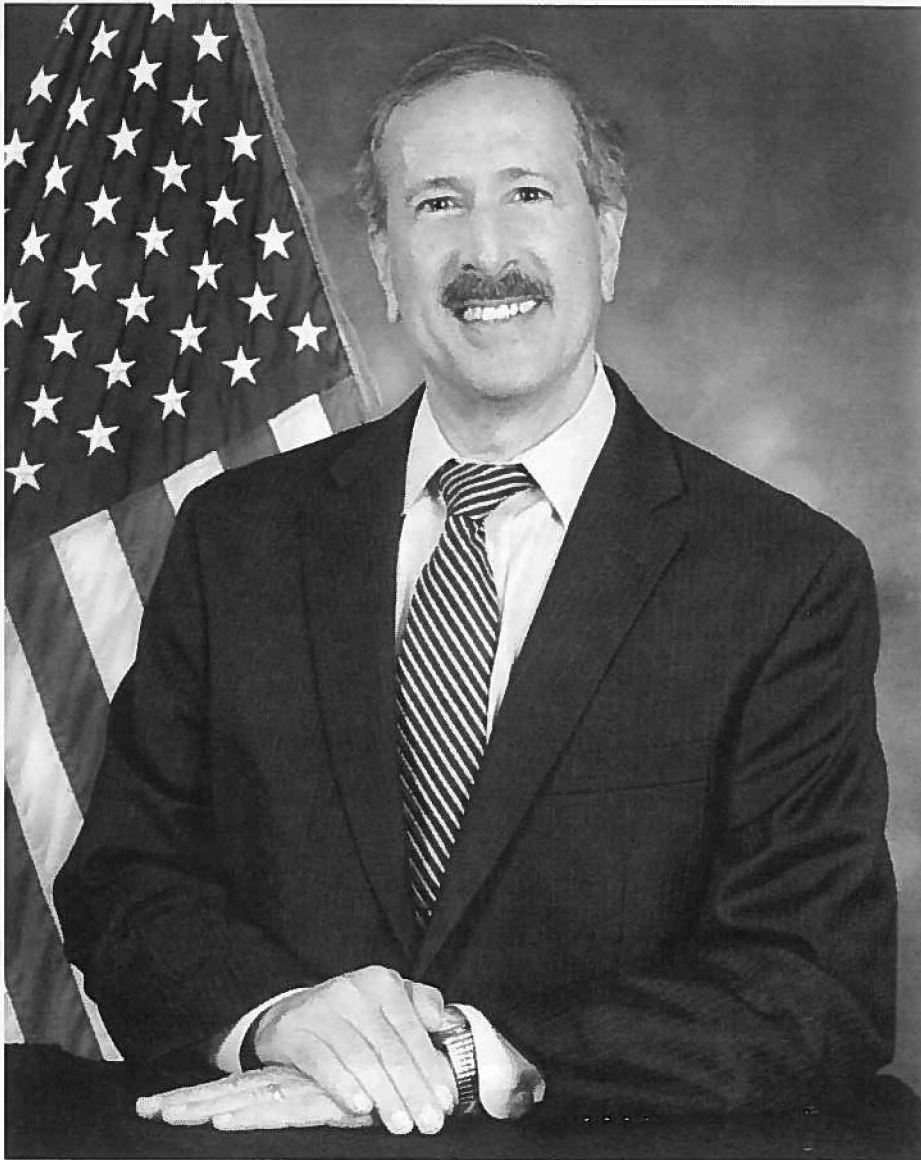
Dr. Lerman comes to the Naval Postgraduate School following more than 40 years of experience in higher education, most recently serving as Provost and Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs at The George Washington (GW) University (2010-2015) and A. James Clark Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering (2010-2016). As Provost, Dr. Lerman was responsible for GW's 10 schools and colleges, athletics (24 Division I varsity sports, club sports and intramurals), the Division of Student Affairs and the University Library. Approximately 4,900 full and part-time faculty and staff report up through these units with a combined budget of \$580 million. Dr. Lerman was also responsible for all academic and student life aspects for three GW campuses (Foggy Bottom, Mt. Vernon and the Virginia Science and Technology Campus) as well as at the university's three learning centers.

Prior to GW, Dr. Lerman served as Dean for Graduate Education (2007-2010) and Vice Chancellor (2008-2010), at his alma mater, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). In this capacity, Dr. Lerman served as the chief deputy to the Chancellor who has responsibility for student affairs, undergraduate education and graduate education.

Dr. Lerman has served as Director of the Center for Educational Computing Initiatives, the research unit of an MIT-wide research center devoted to studying the application of computational and communication technologies on education. He held the Class of 1922 Professorship at MIT, chaired the Faculty Advisory Boards of the MIT Open Courseware initiative and Academic Media Production Services, and was Deputy Director of the Singapore-MIT Alliance, MIT's largest distance education program. He served as the Chair of the MIT faculty from 1998 to 2001 and as Associate Chair of the Faculty from 1996 to 1998.

Dr. Lerman is a past Lilly Teaching Fellow, and the recipient of several teaching awards during his time at MIT, including the Maseeh Teaching Award, as well as the Advisor of the Year award through the National Association of Graduate and Professional Students. He has both chaired and served as a member of countless academic, industry and government advisory boards, and has broadly published in his field of transportation systems analysis.

Dr. Lerman received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in Civil Engineering, and his Doctorate in Transportation Systems Analysis, from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



The Honorable Janine Davidson
Under Secretary of the Navy

Dr. Janine Davidson is the 32nd Under Secretary of the Navy. On behalf of the Secretary of the Navy, she is responsible for all Department of the Navy affairs to include Navy and Marine Corps integration, acquisition, finance, personnel, legislative affairs, and research and development. As Under Secretary, she oversees the management and oversight of an annual budget in excess of \$170 billion and is responsible for the health and well-being of nearly 900,000 Sailors, Marines civilians and their families. She also serves as the Chief Management Officer for the Department of the Navy, ensuring efficient management of the Department's resources through sound business practices.

Secretary Davidson has almost 30 years of experience in military operations, national security policy, and academic research. From 2009 to 2012, she served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Plans, where she oversaw the formulation and review of military war plans and global force posture policy. Previously, she served as Director for Stability Operations Capabilities in the office of Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict, where she was the founding Director of the Center for Complex Operations, an interagency organization focused on enhancing civilian and military performance in the field.

Following her earlier time in the Pentagon, Davidson served as a presidentially appointed member of the National Commission on the Structure of the Air Force, which recommended changes to service structure and management policies. She also served as a member of the Reserve Forces Policy Board and as a senior advisor to the Supreme Allied Commander, NATO.

As an analyst and academic, Davidson was most recently Senior Fellow for Defense Policy at the Council on Foreign Relations, where she is also a life member. She has taught national security policy and political science at Georgetown University, George Mason University, and Davidson College, and is the author of numerous articles across a range of defense issues. Her 2009 book, *Lifting the Fog of Peace: How Americans Learned to Fight Modern War*, examines organizational change and institutional learning in the U.S. military.

Davidson grew up in a Navy family in California and Virginia and was commissioned as an Air Force second lieutenant in 1988. She flew combat support, airdrop, and humanitarian air mobility missions in the Pacific, Europe and the Middle East in both the C-130 and the C-17 cargo aircraft, and also served as an instructor pilot at the U.S. Air Force Academy. She was a Distinguished Graduate of Air Force Squadron Officers' School and was the first woman to fly the Air Force's tactical C-130.

Davidson received her Master of Arts and a doctorate in international studies from the University of South Carolina and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in architectural engineering from the University of Colorado at Boulder. For her previous civilian government service, Davidson was awarded the Secretary of Defense Medal for Outstanding Public Service.



PLATFORM PARTY

First Row (left to right)

Lieutenant Commander John Van Dyke
USN
Deputy Command Chaplain

Lieutenant Colonel Steven Li
USAF
Senior United States Air Force Representative

Lieutenant Colonel Gordon Landale
USA
Senior United States Army Representative

Colonel Todd Lyons
USMC
Senior United States Marine Corps Representative

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Dr. Douglas Fouts
Acting Chair of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Captain Matthew Vandersluis
USN
Dean of Students

Second Row (left to right)

Dr. Peter Denning
Chair of the Department of Computer Science

Dr. Peter Chu
Chair of the Department of Physical Oceanography

Dr. Mohammed Hafez
Chair of the Department of National Security Affairs

Dr. Jim Newman
Chair of Space Systems Operations

Dr. Brian Bingham
Representing the Chair of the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Dr. Dan Boger
Chair of the Department of Information Sciences

Dr. Wendell Nuss
Chair of the Department of Meteorology

Dr. Ron Giachetti
Chair of the Department of Systems Engineering

Dr. Kevin Smith
Chair of the Department of Physics

Dr. Pat Jacobs
Chair of the Department of Operations Research

Dr. John Arquilla
Chair of the Department of Defense Analysis

Dr. Craig Rasmussen
Chair of the Department of Mathematics

Professor David Overton
Dean of Academics, Naval War College

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Processional..... Del Monte Brass

Grand Marshal..... Professor Craig Rasmussen

Faculty Marshal..... Associate Professor Rene Rendon

Platform Marshal..... Professor Sherif Michael

Military Marshal..... Lieutenant Colonel Louis Camardo, USMC

Master of Ceremonies..... Captain Matthew Vandersluis, USN

***Presentation of Colors..... Naval Postgraduate School Color Guard**

***National Anthem..... Del Monte Brass**

***Invocation..... Lieutenant Commander John Van Dyke, USN**

Introduction of Speaker..... Vice Admiral Ronald A. Route, USN (Ret.)

Address to Graduates..... The Honorable Janine Davidson, Under Secretary of the Navy

Presentation of Candidates..... Provost and Academic Dean Steven Lerman

Announcement of Degrees..... Captain Matthew Vandersluis, USN

***Benediction..... Lieutenant Commander John Van Dyke, USN**

Recessional..... Del Monte Brass

***The audience will stand.**

Notes:

1. As a courtesy to those of you with young children, we have set up a family friendly room which is located in the basement of King Hall with streaming video of the graduation. The ushers in the back of the auditorium can give you directions to the family friendly room.
2. The President cordially invites graduates, faculty, and guests to a reception located in Barbara McNitt ballroom of Herrmann Hall in honor of the graduates immediately following the ceremony.

GRADUATION AWARDS

Monterey Council Navy League Award for Highest Academic Achievement - LT Nicholas J. Sharpe, USCG

Award is presented to a graduating USN, USMC, USCG, or NOAA student who has maintained an outstanding academic record as exhibited by academic achievement, thesis research, motivation, and community involvement.

Naval Postgraduate School Outstanding Academic Achievement Award for Department of Defense Student - Mr. Wayne Thomas Walker, Program Manager, Headquarters, Department of the Army

Award is presented to a Department of Defense student who has maintained an outstanding academic record as exhibited by academic achievement, thesis research, motivation, and community involvement.

Naval Postgraduate School Outstanding Academic Achievement Award for International Students - Captain Wooseok Lee, South Korean Army

Award is presented to a student who has exhibited outstanding academic achievement, conducted notable thesis research, maintained motivation and a serious interest in the community, and who has interacted well with other students in the interest of international alliance.

Association of the United States Army, General Joseph W. Stilwell Chapter, Award for Outstanding Army Student - MAJ Zachary Hoover, USA

Award is presented to an Army student who has maintained an outstanding academic record as exhibited by academic achievement, thesis research, motivation, and community involvement.

Naval Postgraduate School Superior Service Award - LCDR Melissa Gonzales, SC, USN

Award is presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated outstanding dedication to service while at the Naval Postgraduate School.

The Louis D. Liskin Award for Excellence in Business and Public Policy - LCDR Melissa Gonzales, SC, USN

Award is presented to an MBA student based on academic excellence, personal excellence, and contributions to the quality of the educational program, to fellow officers, and to the community.

Marine Corps Association Superior Service Award for Outstanding U.S. Marine Student - Maj Thomas E. Cogan IV, USMC

Award is presented to a graduating Marine Corps student based on superior contributions to the student body, professional community, and local Monterey area.

Air Force Association Award for Outstanding U.S. Air Force Student - Maj Brandon Daigle, USAF

Award is sponsored by the Monterey Chapter of the California Air Force Association and is presented for outstanding service.

The Louis D. Liskin Award for Excellence in Regional Security Studies - LT Geoffrey A. Ellis, USN

Award is presented to a graduating U.S. military or civilian student in the Department of National Security Affairs for the outstanding thesis based on the quality of the thesis.

The International Student Award for Excellence in Regional or Security Studies - Lt Col Muhammad Waqar Khalid Khan, Pakistan Army

Award is presented to an officer for academic performance evaluated in terms of overall scholarly achievement.

The Outstanding United States Air Force Graduate Award, Department of National Security Affairs - Capt Reid Touchberry, USAF

Award is presented to an officer for overall scholarly achievement.

AFCEA John McReynolds Wozencraft Electrical and Computer Engineering Academic Honor Award - LCDR Richard Thompson, USN

Award is presented for academic excellence and best demonstrated professional qualities in one of the following programs: Electronics or Intelligence.

The Hans Jones Award for Excellence in Thesis Research in Special Operations and Irregular Warfare or Security, Stabilization, Transition and Reconstruction (SSTR) - MAJ Eric Roles, USA; MAJ Christopher Thielenhaus, USA; MAJ David Yu, USA; MAJ James Self, USA; MAJ Zack Hoover, USA

Award is presented based on the quality of the thesis in which its primary and substantive focus is in intelligence, irregular warfare, special operations, combating terrorism, and counterinsurgency, SSTR or homeland defense.

Naval Sea Systems Command Award in Naval/Mechanical Engineering - Lieutenant James Ley, USN

Award is presented in recognition of distinguished academic achievement in the Naval/Mechanical Engineering Program.

The Graduate School of Business and Public Policy Faculty Outstanding International Student Award - ILT Mustafa Canbolat, Turkish Army

Award is presented to an outstanding international graduate based on academic achievement, thesis research, motivation, and community involvement.

The Pat Tillman Leadership Award - MAJ Matt Piosa, USA and CDR Brian Bourgeois, USN

Award is presented to acknowledge student officers who have distinguished themselves in Security Affairs in Department of Defense Analysis.

RADM Donald R. Eaton Logistics Award for Outstanding Achievement - LCDR Kevin Peters, SC, USN

Award is presented to a graduate of Material Logistics Management, Supply Chain Management or Transportation Management curricula for academic achievement and contributions to logistics communities as demonstrated by scholastic excellence and thesis/project research.

Foreign Area Officer Association Award for Excellence in International Affairs - Maj Phil Sakamoto, USAF

Award is presented to recognize students who have distinguished themselves by outstanding thesis in international affairs, based on the quality of the research and overall scholarly achievement.

Monterey Kiwanis Club Outstanding International Student Award - Captain Mehmet Celiktas, Turkish Army

Award is presented to an outstanding international student based on academic standing and achievement, and involvement in community affairs.

Naval Sea Systems Command Award for Excellence in Combat Systems -

LCDR Tom Pilkerton, USN

Award is presented in recognition of distinguished scholastic achievement in Combat Systems Engineering based on academic achievement, research excellence, and leadership potential.

The Space Systems Engineering Award for Academic Excellence -

Mr. Rob Vannice, Civilian, Boeing Space & Intelligence Systems, El Segundo, California

Award is presented to an outstanding student in Space Systems Operations based on Quality Point Rating, thesis, academic achievement, and extracurricular activities.

Astronaut Michael J. Smith, CAPT, USN, and Astronaut William C. McCool, CDR, USN

Astronautics Award - LCDR Colin Monk, USN

Award is presented to an outstanding graduate of the Space Systems curricula, based on overall academic excellence, applicable extracurricular activities, and career potential.

The Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory Award for Excellence in Applied Physics Research - LT William Swan, USN

Award is presented for outstanding research in applied physics that has the potential to positively impact future Navy and Marine Corps systems and operational capability.

Rear Admiral Thomas R. McClellan Award for Academic Excellence in the Graduate School of Business and Public Policy - Commander Nathaniel Robbins, USN

Award is presented based upon academic performance, professional commitment, and leadership potential.

Naval Supply Systems Command Award for Academic Excellence in Management - Lieutenant Commander Quentin Lease, SC, USN

Award is presented to an outstanding U.S. Naval Supply Corps officer in Systems Management based on academic achievement, research excellence, and contribution to the professional and civilian community and faculty recommendations.

Department of the Navy Award for Academic Excellence in Financial Management - Lieutenant Seth Cochran, CEC, USN

Award is presented to a Financial Management student who demonstrates overall academic performance, academic excellence in financial management courses, high leadership potential, future ability to contribute to professional, academic and public forums while meeting the highest standards of stewardship of the National Trust and thesis excellence.

Conrad Scholar Award for Distinguished Academic Achievement in Financial Management - Captain Nate Gilreath, USMC

Award is presented to an outstanding officer in the Financial Management community who has demonstrated academic excellence, presented a financial management essay for publication, and exhibited the potential for outstanding leadership.

RADM Donald R. Eaton Logistics Award for Outstanding Achievement - Lieutenant Commander Kevin Peters, SC, USN

Award is presented to a graduate of Material Logistics Management, Supply Chain Management or Transportation Management curricula for academic achievement and contributions to logistics communities as demonstrated by scholastic excellence and thesis/project research.

The Army Acquisition Corps Award for Scholastic Achievement -

Major Mathis Wright III, USA

Award is presented to a graduating US Army Acquisition student who has exhibited outstanding academic excellence through academic achievement, thesis research, and leadership potential.

CDR Philip A. Murphy-Sweet Memorial Award for Excellence in Acquisition - Lieutenant Xiao Wang, SC, USN; and Captain Erick Abercrombie, USMC

Award is presented to a graduating USN, USMC, or DoN civilian student who has demonstrated academic, research, and professional excellence in the Acquisition and Contract Management, Systems Acquisition Management, Contract Management, or Program Management curricula.

The Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition) Award for Academic Excellence - Captain Adam Gross, USAF

Award is presented to a military USAF or Department of the Air Force civilian in the Acquisition and Contract Management, Systems Acquisition Management, Contract Management, or Program Management curricula for academic achievement as demonstrated by scholastic excellence and thesis/project research.

First Command Military Leadership Award - MAJ James Self, USA

Award is presented to active duty military faculty or staff members, who, in the opinion of the next two graduating classes, contributed the most to the professional and military success of the graduates during their assignment at the Naval Postgraduate School.

Meyer Award for Outstanding Student in Systems Engineering (Distance Learning) - Jeremy Richard Hoff and Jennifer Erin Kays

Award is presented to an outstanding Department of Defense graduate of the Distance Learning Systems Engineering degree program who has demonstrated superior academic performance.

The Curtis H. "Butch" Straub Achievement Award -

Commander Brian R. Lee, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; Dallas, Texas

Award is presented to the student in each graduating cohort whose leadership, integrity, vision and intellectual courage best honor the man who, in founding CHDS, demonstrated his commitment to the development of the discipline of homeland security, to public service, and to risk and change as the cornerstones of both.

FACULTY/STAFF AWARDS

The Lieutenant Commander David L. Williams Outstanding Professor Award - Librarian Greta Marlatt, Manager, Outreach and Academic Support

Award is presented to the faculty member of the School of International Graduate Studies who has demonstrated the greatest dedication and, therefore, had the greatest impact on learning and intellectual growth of students, in residence and abroad.

The Military Officers Association of America Joint Service Warfare Award - LTC Gordon Landale, USA

Award is presented to a military faculty member who has contributed most significantly to the study, implementation, and spirit of joint-service warfare.

The Louis D. Liskin Award for Teaching Excellence in the Graduate School of Business and Public Policy - Mr. Bryan Hudgens, Lt Col, USAF, Ret.

Award is presented to a member of the faculty in the Graduate School of Business and Public Policy. The faculty member is selected by popular vote from resident students in any of the Graduate School of Business and Public Policy curricula.

Meyer Award for Teaching Excellence in Systems Engineering (Distance Learning) – Dr. Donald S. Muehlbach Jr. and Senior Lecturer Gregory Miller

Award is presented to an outstanding faculty member of the Distance Learning Systems Engineering degree program who is recognized by the students for teaching excellence and/or exceptional contributions to the students' overall learning experience.

GRADUATES

Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering

Maj John David-Dickson Roth, USMC

Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science

MAJ Alan M. Bairley, USA

Doctor of Philosophy in Modeling, Virtual Environments & Simulation

MAJ Cheng Yuan-Pin, Taiwanese Army

Doctor of Philosophy in Physical Oceanography

(J)LCDR Dominic R. DiMaggio, USN

Doctor of Philosophy in Physical Oceanography

LCDR Mathias K. Roth, USN

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Middle East, South Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa)

(D)Capt Jeremy Fisher, USMC

* (D)Capt William Mahone VI, USMC

(J)LCDR Michael J. DeVito, USN

(T) LCDR Jeffrey A. Drewiske, USN

(J)LCDR Gregory James Seitz, USN

Maj Nilesh J. Christian, USAF

Maj Jason Ahrens, USAF

Maj Jason Carney, USAF

Maj Marshall W. Klitzke, USAF

Maj Alexander R. Liggett, USAF

Maj Seth Michael Sarduy, USAF

(D)Capt Reid Benjamin Touchberry, USAF

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Far East, Southeast Asia, the Pacific)

Capt Kasey M. Duddy, USMC

Capt Crystal J. Pearl, USMC

*Maj Douglas Pugh, USMC

*Capt Paul Smith, USMC

MAJ Terry Arva, USA

(J)LT John A. Bardenhagen III, USN

(J)LT Robert Ephraim, USN

Maj Frederick B. Flores, USAF

Maj Jung Hun Jang, Republic of Korea Air Force

Maj Dongwoo Kim, Republic of Korea Air Force

Maj Daekyu Lee, Republic of Korea Air Force

Maj Jin Ki Lee, Republic of Korea Air Force

Capt Kisung Nam, Republic of Korea Air Force

CPT Rang Lee, Republic of Korea Army

MAJ Sedat Kilic, Turkish Army

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Western Hemisphere)

(J)LT Clinton Cabe, USN
(D,J)LT Geoffrey Alexander Ellis, USN
Maj James M. DeVore, USAF

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Europe and Eurasia)

(J)LT Caitlin E. K. Hewitt, USN
(D)Maj Philemon Sakamoto, USAF

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Civil-Military Relations)

LTC Kapila Dolage, Sri Lankan Army
LTC Chaminda Tennakoon, Sri Lankan Army
LT Dimitrios Kantemnidis, Hellenic Navy

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Strategic Studies)

LTC Muhammad Waqar Khan, Pakistani Army
LCDR David B. Williams, USN

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Homeland Security and Defense)

(J)LT Peter A. Stewart, USN
Capt Michael L. Bruton, USAF
Capt Brandon Bush Burden, USAF
(T)Capt Michael B. Force, USAF
*(T)Lt Col Christopher Ray Laird, USAF
Maj Joseph A. Schneider, USAF

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Combating Terrorism: Policy and Strategy)

CPT Drew Hargrave, USA
MAJ Polly Kijongoma Kamwesiga, Ugandan Army
LTC Subathrathapa Sayakkarage, Sri Lankan Army
LTC Allan Jones A. Salem, Philippine Army
Lt Col David Owili, Kenyan Air Force

Master of Arts in Security Studies (Homeland Security and Defense)

LTC Matthew Jonkey, Nevada Army National Guard; Carson City, Nevada
CPT Thanh Vo, Oregon, Army National Guard; Salem, Oregon
LCDR Melanie A. Burnham, United States Coast Guard; Baltimore, Maryland
Dr. John Aaron Abrahams, Transportation Security Administration; Washington D.C.
Mr. Calvin J. Bowman, Baltimore Urban Area Security Initiative, Maryland
Captain David DeMarco, Everett Fire Department, Washington
Supervisory Special Agent James M. Fitzgerald,
Federal Bureau of Investigation; Washington D.C.
Sergeant William D. Fitzgerald, Jr., Orange County Sheriff's Department, California
Mr. Sevan D. Gerard, Los Angeles City Fire Department, California
Captain Patrick Hensley, Daly City Police Department, California
Lieutenant Kevin M. Hood, Virginia State Police; Richmond, Virginia
Mr. Lawrence W. King, Transportation Security Administration; New York, New York

(D)Commander Brian R. Lee, Phoenix Police Department, Arizona
Mr. Reed Little, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; Dallas, Texas
Ms. Sheree J. McManus, U.S. Department of Homeland Security; Washington D.C.
Lieutenant W. Payne Marks, Virginia State Police; Richmond, Virginia
Captain Mark Molinari, New York City Police Department
Supervisory Federal Air Marshal Edward F. Scott III,
Federal Air Marshal Service; Atlantic City, New Jersey
Assistant Chief Eric J. Seibel, Point Pleasant Fire Protection District; Boone County, Kentucky
(T)Special Agent Marcus J. Sexton, Homeland Security Investigations; San Antonio, Texas
Captain Jeffrey Siems, Edina Fire Department, Minnesota
Mr. Donald Simko, Federal Emergency Management Agency; Washington D.C.
Lieutenant Stephen E. Simonds, St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office; Leonardtown, Maryland
Major Brannon M. Snead, Florida Highway Patrol; Tallahassee, Florida
Assistant Chief Chad Stangeland, Moorhead Fire Department, Minnesota
Mr. Kevin Starbuck, City of Amarillo Office of Emergency Management, Texas
Lieutenant Michael Ward, Montgomery County Police; Gaithersburg, Maryland
Ms. Katrina Woodhams, Federal Emergency Management Agency; Washington D.C.
Assistant Chief Brian Young, Orange County Fire Authority, California

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

LT Connor F. Bench, USN
LT Nicholas Lakomcik, USN
Capt Heather L. Pelachick, USMC
LCDR Richard Thompson, USN

Master of Engineering (Electrical Engineering)

*Derek Lance Benallie, Department of Defense
Josquin S. Corrales, Department of Defense
Merlyn Hall, Department of Defense
Eric B. Hopper, Civilian
Brian Huynh, Civilian
Spencer Iwakichi Ito, Department of Defense
Jaredacob Jaimez, Department of Defense
Gerardo E. Cruz Echevarria, Department of Defense
Tyler Wood Jones, Civilian, US Air Force
David Kwon, SPAWAR Systems Center Atlantic
Benjamin Thomas Maxfield, Civilian, US Air Force
Phillip J. Moses, Department of Defense
Amber Ramos, Department of Defense
Brittany Rhodes, Civilian, US Air Force
Stephen S. Rigos, Department of Defense
Levi S. Rock, Department of Defense

Master of Science in Engineering Science

*LTJG Kyle Martin Buschbacher, USN

Master of Science in Applied Mathematics

(D)LT Nicholas John Sharpe, USCG

Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering

(J)LT Angel Aviles, USN
(T)LT James J. Drace, USN
LT Matthew T. Hamilton, USN
LT Faisa T. Hussein, USN
(T)LT James R. Ley, USN
(J)LT Cory McLaughlin, USN
(D,J)LT Thomas Henry Prinsen, USN
(J)LT Aaron D. Terrell, USN
LT Joseph B. Testa III, USN
LT Aaron R. Vandenberg, USN
LT Aaron Willmarth, USN

Master of Science in Astronautical Engineering

LT Brian P. Gleason, USN
(J)CDR Martin John Griggs, USN
(D,T)LCDR Colin S. Monk, USN
*LT Michael Francis Walters, USN
Robert H. Van Nice, Civilian, Boeing Space & Intelligence Systems;
El Segundo, California

Master of Science in Computer Science

*Capt Eric Anderson, USMC
(T)LtCol Thomas M. Siverts, USMC
*Ms. Casandra M. Martin, Federal Cyber Corps

Master of Science in Software Engineering

*Mr. James S. O'Rourke, CECOM Software Engineering Center

Master of Science in Information Technology Management

Mr. Milan Vukceovich, Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Center

Master of Science in Network Operations and Technology

*LT Anthony E. Geron USN
*LT Yuri N. Nyberg, USN

Master of Science in Meteorology and Oceanography

(J)LT Michael Beall, USN
(J)LT Geoffrey Eberle, USN
(J)LCDR Stephen Fleet, USN
(J)LCDR Richard Ilczuk, USN
(J)LT David Price, USN
(D,T,J)LCDR Cassandra Sisti, USN
LTJG Murat Kuucukosmanoglu, Turkish Navy
LTJG Suleyman Gurbuz, Turkish Navy

Master of Science in Physical Oceanography

LCDR Ho-Chun Huang, Taiwanese Navy

Master of Science in Engineering Acoustics

LCDR Jeremy Hankins, USN

Master of Science in Applied Physics

LT Brandi Gilbert, USN
LTJG Pedro Ruben Hayden Salazar, Peruvian Navy
LT Steven Hutchinson, USN
(D,T)CPT Wooseok Lee, Korean Army
Nape D. Lentsoane, South African, Civilian
LT Antonios Lionis, Hellenic Navy
(D)LCDR Thomas Pilkerton, USN
(T)LT William Swan, USN

Master of Science in Physics

LT Dimitrios Kantemnidis, Hellenic Navy

Master of Science in Operations Research

Capt Sarah Anne-Catherine Phillips Martin, USA

Master of Science in Information Strategy and Political Warfare

(J)MAJ Nicole Mazikowski Alexander, USA
(D)CW3 James J. Allbright IV, USA
MAJ Michael Briere Avenick, USA
MAJ Michael A. Barry, USA
(J)MAJ Jeffrey Chenard, USA
CPT Jason Christopher Green, USA
(J)MAJ David B. Quayle, USA
MAJ Jason C. Tebedo, USA
(J)MAJ Chad E. Everett Thibodeau, USA
(J)MAJ Joshua Dale Wines, USA

Master of Science in Defense Analysis

(D)Maj Thomas Edward Cogan IV, USMC
Lt Col Evert Andres Mejia Giraldo, Columbian Marine Corps
1LT Abdullah Atay, Turkish Army
1LT Kazim Aykac, Turkish Army
(J)MAJ Timothy Scott Ball, USA
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