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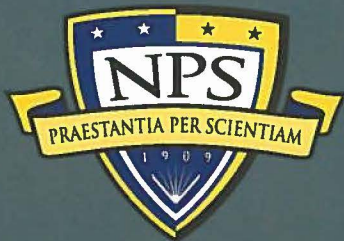
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# NAVAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL

## 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*



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**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.

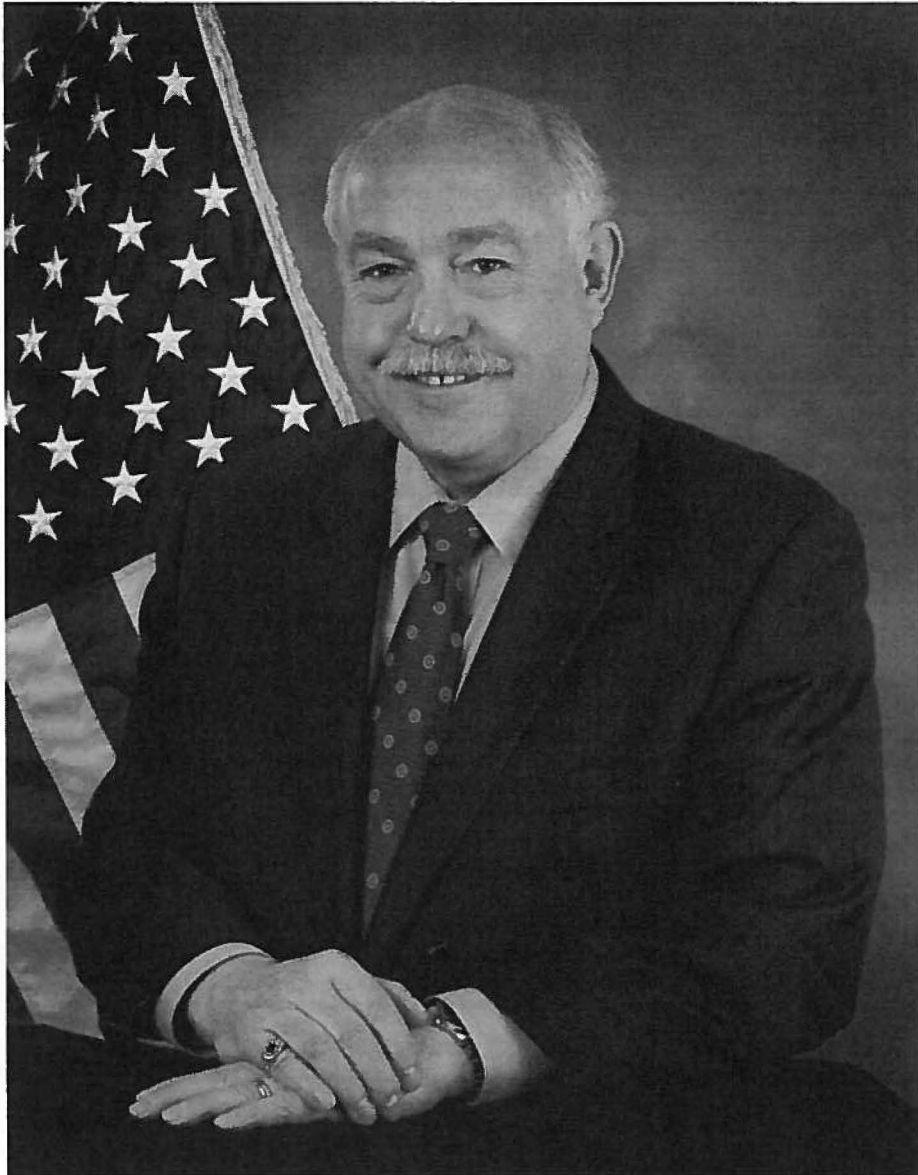
A career Surface Warfare Officer, Route's sea duty included assignments and deployments in cruisers, destroyers, frigates and aircraft carriers; he commanded the AEGIS cruiser USS LAKE ERIE (CG 70) and the guided-missile destroyer USS DEWEY (DDG 45). His most recent command at sea was the USS GEORGE 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. Douglas A. Hensler**  
**Provost**  
**Naval Postgraduate School**

Dr. Douglas A. Hensler became the 14<sup>th</sup> Provost of the Naval Postgraduate School on June 5, 2013. Prior academic service includes Dean of the W. Frank Barton School of Business at Wichita State University (2008-2013), Dean and Sid Craig Endowed Dean's Chair in the Craig School of Business at California State University, Fresno (2005-2008), and the W. Edwards Deming Distinguished Professor of Management at the University of Colorado at Boulder in a joint appointment to the College of Engineering and Applied Science and the Leeds School of Business. At Boulder he also served as Co-Executive Director of the Robert H. and Beverly A. Deming Center for Entrepreneurship.

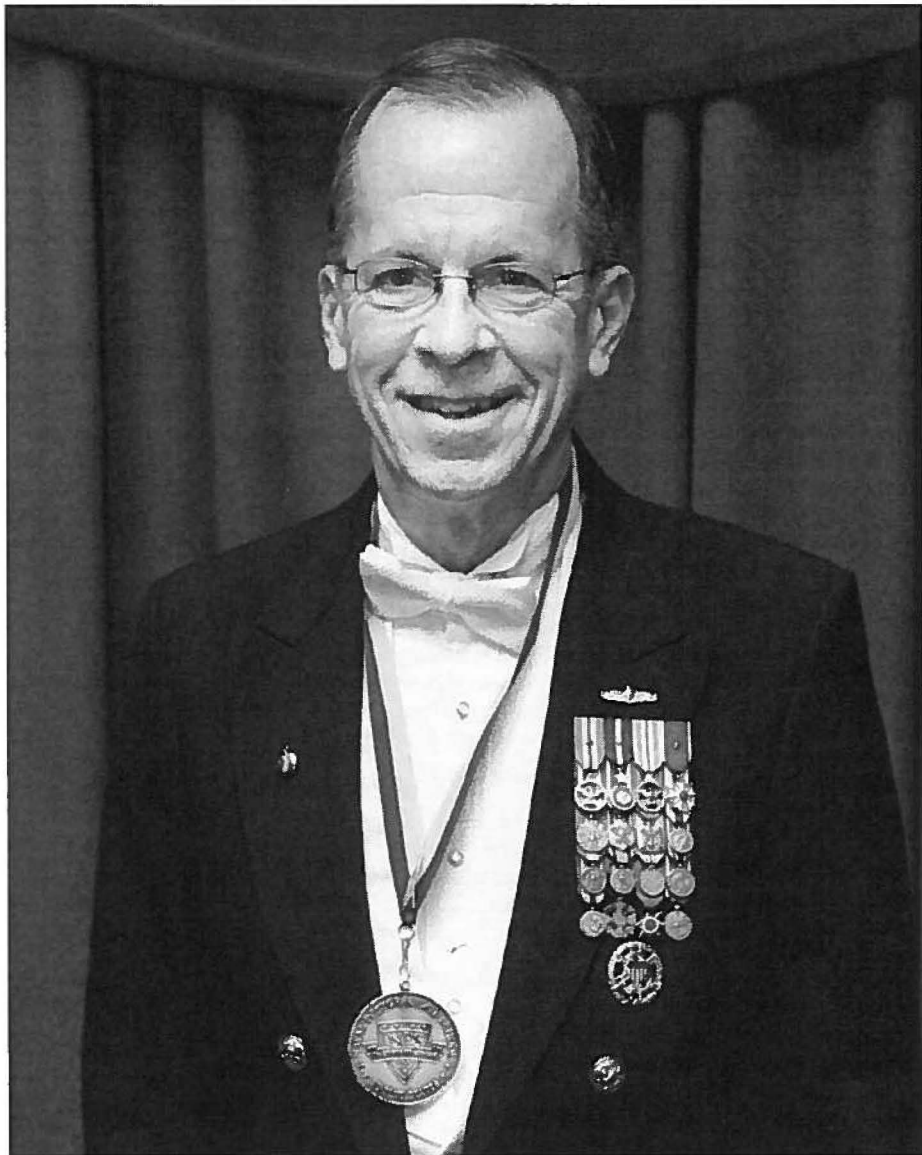
Dr. Hensler has travelled extensively and built a network of international contacts and partnerships. He has served as Special Advisor to the Australian Organisation for Quality (NSW) and as an adviser to the Special Adviser team of the Scottish First Minister. From 2002 to 2005 he served on the Academic Advisory Board of e-TQM College in Dubai, UAE.

Before returning to the academic community, Dr. Hensler achieved a highly successful management career that includes 13 years in project, staff and line management positions at two technology driven companies. These positions include nuclear industry quality assurance management and aerospace industry quality engineering management, plant quality management, production management leading an organization of 250 personnel, and R&D management leading an organization developing state-of-the-art process improvements involving applied research.

Dr. Hensler has provided training and consulting to American Airlines, CH2M-Hill, Texas Utilities, Sulzer, Louisiana-Pacific Corporation, Micro Motion, FEMA, Sporian Microsystems, and the Electricity Generating Authority of Thailand, and the Fulfillment Corporation of America. Doug's most recent appointment includes working with CEO's and other executives of the Wichita aviation community including Spirit AeroSystems, Cessna, Bombardier/Learjet, Boeing and Hawker Beechcraft, along with Koch Industries and Coleman (The Outdoor Company).

Dr. Hensler's academic preparation includes a BSE in Aerospace and Mechanical Sciences from Princeton University, an MBA from the University of Portland, and a Ph.D. in Finance from the University of Washington. He is a licensed professional engineer in Quality Engineering in the State of California.





**Admiral Mike Mullen, USN (Ret.)**  
**Director, Navy Staff**

Admiral Mullen was sworn in as the 17th Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on October 1, 2007. Until his retirement, he served as the principal military advisor to the president, the Secretary of Defense, the National Security Council and the Homeland Security Council.

A native of Los Angeles, he graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1968.

He commanded three ships: the gasoline tanker USS Noxubee (AOG 56), the guided missile destroyer USS Goldsborough (DDG 20) and the guided missile cruiser USS Yorktown (CG 48).

As a flag officer, Mullen commanded Cruiser-Destroyer Group 2, the George Washington Battle Group and the U.S. 2nd Fleet/NATO Striking Fleet Atlantic.

Ashore he served in leadership positions at the Naval Academy, in the Navy's Bureau of Personnel, in the Office of the Secretary of Defense and on the Navy Staff. He was the 32nd Vice Chief of Naval Operations from August 2003 to October 2004.

His last operational assignment was as commander, NATO Joint Force Command Naples/Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe.

Mullen is a graduate of the Advanced Management Program at the Harvard Business School and earned a Master of Science degree in Operations Research from the Naval Postgraduate School.

Prior to becoming chairman, Mullen served as the 28th Chief of Naval Operations.

## PLATFORM PARTY

### First Row (left to right)

**Lieutenant Commander William Riley**  
USN  
Chaplain

**Colonel Christopher Smithtro**  
USAF  
Senior United States Air Force Representative  
Representing the Graduate School of  
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**Lieutenant Colonel Jeffrey House**  
USA  
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Representative

**Colonel Mitchell J. McCarthy**  
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Dean of the School of International Graduate  
Studies

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Representing the Chair of the Department of  
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**Captain Tom MacRae**  
USN  
Dean of Students

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**Dr. Knox Millsaps**  
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Aerospace Engineering

**Dr. Robert Dell**  
Chair of the Department of Operations  
Research

**Dr. Peter Denning**  
Chair of the Department of Computer Science

**Dr. Wendell Nuss**  
Chair of the Department of Meteorology

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

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Engineering

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**Dr. John Arquilla**  
Chair of the Department of Defense Analysis

**Dr. Dan Boger**  
Chair of the Department of Information  
Sciences

**Professor Fred Drake**  
Dean of Academics, Naval War College

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**Processional..... Del Monte Brass**

**Grand Marshal ..... Professor Craig Rasmussen**

**Faculty Marshal ..... Professor Rene Rendon**

**Platform Marshal..... Professor Dave Olwell**

**Military Marshal..... Captain Dustin Rowland**

**Master of Ceremonies..... Captain Tom MacRae**

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

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

**\*Invocation ..... Lieutenant Commander William Riley**

**Introduction of Speaker ..... Vice Admiral Ronald A. Route**

**Address to Graduates ..... Admiral Mike Mullen**

**Presentation of Candidates ..... Provost Douglas Hensler**

**Announcement of Degrees..... Captain Tom MacRae**

**\*Benediction ..... Lieutenant Commander William Riley**

**Recessional ..... Del Monte Brass**

**\*The audience will stand.**

### **Notes:**

**1. During the announcement of degrees, the audience is requested to hold their applause until the last graduate has crossed the stage.**

**2. As a courtesy, for 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.**

**3. The President cordially invites graduates, faculty, and guests to a reception in honor of the graduates in the Barbara McNitt Ballroom at Herrmann Hall immediately following the ceremony.**

## **GRADUATION AWARDS**

### **Monterey Council Navy League Award for Highest Academic Achievement -**

#### **Maj Jacob C. Urban, USMC**

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

### **The Louis D. Liskin Award for Excellence in Regional Security Studies -**

#### **Maj Jacob C. Urban, USMC and Maj Timothy R. Mayer, USMC**

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

### **Association of the United States Army, General Joseph W. Stilwell Chapter, Award for Outstanding Army Student - MAJ Erich Schneider, 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.

### **Marine Corps Association Superior Service Award for Outstanding U.S. Marine Student - Maj Jan-Hendrik Zurlippe, USMC**

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

### **The Outstanding United States Air Force Graduate Award, Department of National Security Affairs - Maj William J. Pogue, USAF**

Award is presented to an officer for overall scholarly achievement

### **Naval Postgraduate School Superior Service Award - LCDR Ted Erdman, USCG**

Award is presented to a graduating student who has demonstrated outstanding dedication to service while at NPS on the basis of superior contributions to the student body, professional community, and the local Monterey area.

### **Naval Postgraduate School Outstanding Academic Achievement Award for International Students - LCDR Geir O. Svendsen, Norwegian Navy**

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.

### **The Pat Tillman Leadership Award - MAJ Matthew S. Balint, USA**

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

### **The Louis D. Liskin Award for Excellence in Business and Public Policy -**

#### **Maj Eric Henzler, USMC**

Award is presented to a graduating student based on exceptional academic ability.

### **RADM Donald R. Eaton Logistics Award for Outstanding Achievement -**

#### **Maj Eric Henzler, USMC**

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 Graduate School of Business and Public Policy Faculty Outstanding International Student Award - Li Huang "Joyce" Tan, Gay Taur "Jason" Oh and**

#### **LCDR Christopher Barry**

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

### **The International Student Award for Excellence in Regional or Security Studies -**

#### **CPT Vedat Er, Turkish Army**

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

### **The Hans Jones Award for Excellence in Thesis Research in Special Operations and Irregular Warfare or Security, Stabilization, Transition Reconstruction -**

#### **MAJ Pedro J. Rosario, USA; MAJ Davis D. Tindoll III, USA; MAJ Mark T. Newdigate, USA; and MAJ Joshua S. Bowes, USA**

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

### **John McReynolds Wozencraft Electrical and Computer Engineering Academic Honor Award - LT Ashley S. M. McBee, USN**

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

### **Naval Intelligence Foundation, Admiral Bobby Ray Inman Award for Outstanding Performance in the Field of Intelligence and Information Dominance -**

#### **LT Gregory Chasse, USN**

Award is presented to an officer graduate in any curriculum who has advanced the awareness and knowledge of Naval Intelligence and assisted in development of related knowledge.

### **Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command Award in Electronic Systems Engineering - LT Brandon F. Clare, USN**

Award is presented for distinguished academic achievement in the advanced Electronic Systems Engineering program

### **Naval Sea Systems Command Award for Excellence in Combat Systems -**

#### **LT Matthew Van Horn, USN**

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

### **The Louis D. Liskin Award for Excellence in Business and Public Policy -**

#### **Mr. Thomas Frerichs, Puget Sound Naval Shipyard**

Award is presented to a graduating student based on exceptional academic ability.



**Naval Postgraduate School Outstanding Academic Achievement Award for Department of Defense Student - Mr. Thomas Frerichs, Puget Sound Naval Shipyard**

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 Sea Systems Command Award in Naval/Mechanical Engineering -**

**LCDR Jamie E. Cook, USN**

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

**The Space Systems Engineering Award for Academic Excellence - LT Reid Smythe, USN**

Award is presented to an outstanding student based on quality point rating, thesis, curricular, and extracurricular activities.

**Astronaut Michael J. Smith, CAPT, USN, and Astronaut William C. McCool, CDR, USN Astronautics Award - LCDR Richard Gargano, USN**

Award is presented annually to an outstanding graduate of the Space Systems curricula who has graduated since the last award.

**Naval Supply Systems Command Award for Academic Excellence in Management -**

**LT Jonathan D. Albano, USN**

Award is presented to an outstanding U.S. Naval Supply Corps officer in Systems Management at the Naval Postgraduate School. The award is made on the basis of academic achievement, research excellence, and contribution to the professional and civilian community and faculty recommendations.

**CDR Philip A. Murphy-Sweet Memorial Award for Excellence in Acquisition -**

**LT Jonathan D. Albano, USN**

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.

**Department of the Navy Award for Academic Excellence in Financial Management -**

**LCDR Bradley J. Garms, 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.

**Rear Admiral Thomas R. McClellan Award for Academic Excellence in the Graduate School of Business and Public Policy - LCDR Bradley J. Garms, USN**

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

**Conrad Scholar Award for Distinguished Academic Achievement in Financial Management LCDR Bradley J. Garms, USN and LT Francisco Salazar, USN**

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 while attending the Naval Postgraduate School.

**Meyer Award for Outstanding Student in Systems Engineering (Distance Learning) -**

**Mr. Michael Boyett**

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 -**

**Lieutenant Thomas Monahan, Las Vegas Police Department; Nevada**

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. Nominations are put forward by the students in the cohort, and the winner selected from those nominees by the faculty.

**The Philip Zimbardo Award -**

**Captain David Franklin, Texas Department of Public Safety**

Award is presented to the student in each graduating cohort who best embodies Zimbardo's example of combined scientific and applied excellence. Candidates for the award are nominated, and the recipient chosen, by a CHDS faculty awards committee.

**The Army Acquisition Corps Award for Scholastic Achievement -**

**Mr. Derrick Torgerson and Virginia Babcock**

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

**Captain David S. Bill, Jr., Leadership Award - MAJ Ramey L. Wilson, USA**

Award is presented to acknowledge faculty or student officers who have demonstrated exceptional leadership qualities. This recognition is intended to support the school's mission of promoting combat readiness.

**Air Force Association Award for Outstanding U.S. Air Force Student -**

**Maj Scott Christensen, USAF**

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

**The Space Systems Engineering Award for Academic Excellence -**

**MAJ Steven Crews, USA**

Award is presented to an outstanding student based on quality point rating, thesis, curricular, and extracurricular activities.

## FACULTY/STAFF AWARDS

### **The Military Officers Association of America Joint Service Warfare Award - LCDR Thor Martinsen, USN**

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

### **First Command Military Leadership Award -**

#### **Colonel Guy LeMire, USSOCOM Chair in Defense Analysis Department**

Award is presented to an active duty military faculty or staff members at the Naval Postgraduate School, 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.

### **The Carl E. and Jesse W. Menneken Annual Faculty Award for Excellence in Scientific Research - Assistant Professor Joseph P. Hooper, Department of Physics**

Award is presented to a Naval Postgraduate School faculty member who has exhibited outstanding research efforts in science and engineering.

### **The Lieutenant Commander David L. Williams Outstanding Professor Award - Assistant Professor Erik Dahl, Department of National Security Affairs**

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 Louis D. Liskin Award for Teaching Excellence in the Graduate School of Business and Public Policy - Dr. Douglas Brook, Graduate School of Business and Public Policy**

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

All awards were previously presented

## GRADUATES

- (D) - Students recommended for With Distinction
- (T) - Students recognized for an Outstanding Thesis
- (J) - Students receiving their Joint Professional Military Education
- \* - Students graduating in absentia

### **Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering**

MAJ Feng Bo-Kai, Taiwan Army

CDR Thomas William Tedesso, USN

Mr. Kevin B. Geoghegan, Department of Defense Civilian

### **Doctor of Philosophy in Mechanical Engineering**

Mr. Ryan Decker, Civilian, US Army Armanents Research, Development and Engineering Center

(J) MAJ Andrew Johannes, USA

### **Doctor of Philosophy in Operations Research**

CDR Richard G. McGrath, USN

### **Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science**

Mr. Douglas Horner, Naval Postgraduate School

### **Doctor of Philosophy in Meteorology**

CDR Joel W. Feldmeier, USN

### **Electrical Engineer**

(J) LT Brandon F. Clare, USN

### **Mechanical Engineer**

(J) LCDR Jamie Cook, USN

LCDR David Daskam, USN

### **Astronautical Engineer**

(J) LT Reid Smythe, USN

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

\*Maj Luke L. Fabiunke, USMC

(D,T,J) Maj Jacob C. Urban, USMC

(J) LT Geoffrey J. Stiltz, USN

(J) LT John C Woodside, USN

Maj Heidi Annette Baker, USAF

Maj Joshua M. Hallada, USAF

(D) Maj Kenneth Howell, USAF

\*Maj Eric J. Navarre, USAF

(J) MAJ Christopher Read, USA

LTC Richard K. Cassem II, USA

\*MAJ Michael P. McDonald, USA

MAJ Christian R Miller, USA

MAJ Michael G. Wotruba, USA

CPT Vedat Er, Turkish Army

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

(T) Maj Leo S. Gregory, USMC  
(D,J) Maj Christopher C. Neal, USMC  
MAJ Tara Sue Carr, USA  
CPT JeongMin Kim, Republic of Korea Army  
CPT Hyun Haeng Lee, Republic of Korea Army  
\*1LT Birkan Olgunsoy, Turkish Army  
MAJ Romel Pajimula, USA  
(J) LT Daniel Bagwell, USN  
(T,J) LT Gregory Allen Chasse, USN  
(J) LT Gregory James Knott, USN  
(J) LT Cory R. Massey, USN  
\*(J) LT Christopher M. Stolle, USN  
(J) LT Kristofer L. Yost, USN  
Maj Matthew James McAlister, USAF  
(D) Maj William Jefferson Pogue, USAF

**Master of Arts in Security Studies (Western Hemisphere)**

Maj Kenya E. Colón, USAF  
Maj Charles A. Hebert, USAF  
Maj Carlos Alberto Hernandez, USAF  
(J) CPT Patrick Hardin, USA  
MAJ George Scott Kafer, USA  
MAJ Marisa P. Morand, USA  
\*CPT Celil Aybar, Turkish Army

**Master of Arts in Security Studies (Europe and Eurasia)**

\*Capt Casey Benefield, USMC  
\*Capt Kevin G. Canning, USMC  
(D) Maj Jonathan D. Heskett, USMC  
(D,T) Maj Timothy R. Mayer, USMC  
(J) LT Christopher Gans, USN  
(J) LT Gerard M. Mauer III, USN  
(J) LT Benjamin Isaac Mccarty, USN  
(J) LT Jerome J. Uselman, USN  
Maj Todd R. Andrews, USAF  
\*(D) Maj Scott D. Christensen, USAF  
Maj Melissa Marie Couture, USAF  
Maj Phyllis H. Kent, USAF  
Maj Adam G. Knox, USAF  
Maj John P. Myers, USAF  
Capt Terra Shay Verbik, USAF  
\*(J) MAJ Jaime A. Espejo, USA  
CPT Jason D. James, USA  
CPT Ahmet Ilgener, Turkish Army

**Master of Arts in Security Studies (Stabilization and Reconstruction)**

CPT Kwonwoo Kim, Republic of Korea Army

**Master of Arts in Security Studies (Defense Decision-Making and Planning)**

(J) MAJ Logan J. Kerschner, USA  
(J) MAJ Christina Maritza Buchner, USA  
(J) MAJ Brian C. James, USA  
\*1LT Ali Ersin Topal, Turkish Army  
Mr. Ryan Winford French, Navy Civilian, Naval Postgraduate School  
Mr. Ryan Jacobs, Navy Civilian, Naval Postgraduate School  
Ms. Judith Anne Tulkoff, Navy Civilian, Naval Postgraduate School

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

CPT Ahmed Zubair, Maldives National Defense Force  
LCDR Zohaib Najam Baig, Pakistan Navy  
LTC Chang Fu-Wei, Taiwan Military Police  
\*CPT İdris Ümit Eyryce, Turkish Army  
Police Inspector Yunus Eren, Turkish National Police

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

Lieutenant Commander John Egan, United States Coast Guard, Washington, D.C.  
Assistant Chief Steven Ausdemore, Omaha Fire Department, Nebraska  
\*Lieutenant David Bonk, Philadelphia Police Department, Pennsylvania  
Ms. Tammy Chamblee, Mississippi State Department of Health  
Chief Chris Christopoulos, Lebanon Fire Department, New Hampshire  
Lieutenant Vincent Collins, New York City Police Department  
Special Agent Michael Donaghey, U.S. Secret Service, Washington, D.C.  
Ms. Jennifer Donald, Washington Metropolitan Area  
Transit Authority, Washington D.C.  
Captain David Franklin, Texas Department of Public Safety  
Assistant Federal Security Director Thomas Guglielmo,  
Transportation Security Administration, New York  
Special Agent Steven Hersem, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington D.C.  
Ms. Erin Hug, Missouri State Highway Patrol  
Lieutenant James Timothy Hulings, Delaware State Police  
Division Chief Michael Johansmeyer, Seminole County Fire Department, Florida  
Assistant Chief Christopher Levy, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Washington, D.C.  
Mr. Daniel Mackie, Nevada State Department of Health  
Mr. John McNamara, New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services  
Lieutenant Thomas Monahan, Las Vegas Police Department, Nevada  
Ms. Christine Riccardi, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Washington, D.C.  
Sergeant Roger Sankerdiel, New York City Police Department  
Mr. Raymond Schillinger, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, New Jersey  
Commander Peter Smith, Gilbert Police Department, Arizona  
Ms. Teia N. Stein, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Texas  
Mr. Roger Stokes, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Texas  
(T) Ms. Diana Sun, Arlington County, Virginia  
Lieutenant Tigran, Topadzhikyan, Glendale Police Department, California  
Mr. Dominic Traina, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Georgia  
Sheriff Michael Welch, Caswell County, North Carolina

**Master of Science in Electrical Engineering**

LT Byunghyun Ahn, Republic of Korea Navy

LT Darin M. Andrews, USN

\*(J) LCDR Jason Jeremiah Brandt, USN

\*(D,T,J) LT David M. Camp, USN

LT Daniel A. Cary, USN

\*LCDR James M. Cena, USN

(J) LT Brandon F. Clare, USN

(T,J) LT Ashley S. M. McAbee, USN

(D,J) LT Carson C. McAbee, USN

\*LT Peter L. Norgaard, USN

(J) LT Kevin A. White, USN

LT Michael A. Woods, USN

**Master of Engineering (Electrical Engineering)**

\*Mr. Thomas Clark Adams, SPAWAR Systems Center,  
Atlantic, North Charleston, South Carolina

\*Mr. Jamin E. Barnett, SPAWAR Systems Center,  
Atlantic, Goose Creek, South Carolina

\*Mr. Daniel W. Barry, Raytheon Space and Airborne Systems, Goleta, California

\*Mr. Toney Betton, SPAWAR Systems Center, Atlantic, North Charleston, South Carolina

Mr. Christopher Blackburn, Point Mugu, California

Ms. Elissa H. Carey, China Lake, California

\*Mr. Ryan G. Conolley, Raytheon Space and Airborne Systems, Goleta, California

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