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MONTEREY, Calif. – Twenty-nine professionals who work in the homeland security field were awarded master's degrees March 25 at the Naval Postgraduate School Center for Homeland Defense and Security.

The graduates comprise professionals from law enforcement, fire safety, homeland security, emergency management, the military and public health.

Two students received special honors:

- Michael A. Brown, Inspector/ Senior Transportation Security Specialist, Transportation Security Administration, Arlington, Va., received the Curtis "Butch" Straub award as well as the Thesis Award. The Thesis Award is based on overall academic rigor; quality of the literature review; impact of the study on homeland security strategy and future research implications; quality of analysis and conclusions; quality of organization, writing and overall presentation of thesis. Brown's thesis was titled "Freed: Ripples of the Convicted and Released Terrorist in America." The Straub Award is based on grades, thesis and classroom leadership.
- Michael McAdams, Assistant Chief, Emergency Medical Services Section, Montgomery County, Md., Fire and Rescue Service, received the Philip Zimbardo award. This award honors a student who demonstrates the best understanding of the psychological aspects of terrorism and whose performance in the master's program best embodies the highest levels of academic achievement and outstanding leadership. The honor is named after renowned Stanford University psychologist Philip Zimbardo, who also teaches at CHDS.



Remaining graduates include:

- Christopher Anderson, Captain, Tucson Fire Department, Tucson, Ariz.
- Thomas Balint, Associate Chief Counsel, FEMA, Washington, D.C.
- Amanda Bogard, Branch Manager for Disaster Preparedness, Barren River District Health Department, Bowling Green, Ky.
- Williams Cannon, Major, USAF (NORTHCOM), Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- Steven Donaway, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Jacksonville, Fla.
- David Dow, Chief, Maritime Operations Law, NORAD/NORTHCOM, Peterson AFB, Colo.
- Joseph Duggan Jr., Battalion Chief, New York City Fire Department

- Bill Gibbon, Deputy Director of Air Operations, U.S. CBP/National Air Security Operations Center, Corpus Christi, Texas.
- Gordon Hunter, Deputy Commander, 8 Civil Support Team-WMD, Aurora, Colo.
- Robert Ingram, WMD Branch Chief, Center for Terrorism and Disaster Preparedness, New York City Fire Department
- John Joyce, Police Chief/Security Director, Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority Transit Police
- Mark Kaminsky, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, TSA/Federal Air Marshal Service, Chantilly, Va.
- Philip Kirk, Federal Preparedness Coordinator, DHS/FEMA Region VII, Kansas City, Mo.
- Noel Lipana, Major, Chief of Plans, California Air National Guard, Sacramento, Calif.
- Trixie Lohrke, Battalion Chief, Dallas Fire and Rescue.
- Sharon Loper, Senior Policy Advisor, DHS/FEMA Region X, Bothell, Wash.
- Bryant Lucas, Assistant Executive Director, Indiana Intelligence Fusion Center, Indianapolis
- Scott Prill, Associate Director, University of South Carolina Division of Law Enforcement and Safety, Columbia, S.C.
- Philip Raum, Lieutenant, Homeland Security Section, Montgomery County Police, Gaithersburg, Md.
- Gustavo Rodriguez, Sergeant, Intelligence Division, New York City Police Department.
- Michael Schaefer, Water Security Manager, Milwaukee (Wis.) Water Works.
- Karen Smith, Public Information Officer/Pandemic Influenza Coordinator, Monterey County Health Department, Salinas, Calif.
- David Squires, Lieutenant, Virginia (Va.) Beach Police Department.
- Steven Sund, Inspector, Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D.C.
- Christian Van Alstyne, Intelligence Chief, Center for Army Tactics, Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
- Terry Winters, External Affairs, FEMA, New York.
- Paula Young, Manager, Cuyahoga County Department of Justice Affairs, Cleveland.

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