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NPS Distributed Learning Open Seats

A Word from George Zolla, CAPT, USNR (Ret.), NPS Hawaii Representative

The Naval Postgraduate School's Distributed Learning (DL) programs continue to expand in Hawaii. We are adding more Video Tele-education (VTE) classes and enrolling more students in our online courses. For example, we now have an all Hawaiian section of the eFIST certificate in progress. As DL activities increase, we are researching the design of the next-generation DL classroom, which will enable students to participate in interactive classes over the Internet using webcams (Video over IP). This will give NPS DL a much wider reach and help us bring our programs OCONUS and to the Fleet. I will be visiting Hawaii the week of January 8th to teach an eFIST class and to market NPS programs to numerous commands. I am also available for additional command briefings or individual counseling sessions regarding graduate education. If you would like to schedule a command brief, individual counseling, or just want some information about NPS, I can be reached via email at gazolla@nps.edu or by phone at (619) 556-3282 or DSN 526-3282.

Certificate Programs - Applications currently accepted for January class

NPS offers several one-year 4-course, online certificate programs. Seats are currently open in the [Information Systems and Operations](#) and [Information Systems Technology](#) courses. These programs are fully-funded for USN and USMC military students, and GS employees reporting to a USN/USMC command. For these groups, there is no tuition required from the student or his/her command. Tuition fees will apply for all other students, to be funded through command sponsorship. Program details and application instructions are available online at <http://www.nps.edu/dl>, or contact NPS San Diego Office Area Director CAPT (Ret.) George Zolla, (619) 556-3282, gazolla@nps.edu.

Master of Science in Systems Engineering

Applications currently accepted for January class

The [Master of Science in Systems Engineering](#) program includes an information systems-C4I focus. The program is open to all qualified uniformed officers, federal employees, and a limited number of defense contractor civilians. Courses are delivered using a blended mix of DL methods, including video-tele-education (VTE) and web-based instruction (online). The VTE classes are offered in three-hour sessions one day a week. Command sponsorship (funding) is required. Details are available at www.nps.edu/dl/npsso/degree_progs/msse.html or by contacting Dr. Walter Owen, (636) 925-2982, wowen@nps.edu.

Master of Systems Analysis - Applications currently accepted for March class

The [Master of Systems Analysis \(MSA\)](#) DL program provides a technical graduate education in systems analysis, focused on the practice of the profession. The program consists of a blend of approximately 50% web-based instruction and 50% VTE. The web-based instruction is paced week-to-week by the instructors, but the students have great flexibility to do their coursework at times of their choosing. The VTE classes meet once a week during the workday, with the agreement of the student's command. Information about the MSA program and application details are available online at www.nps.edu/dl/npsso/degree_progs/msa.html, or by e-mailing MSADegProg@nps.edu.

Executive Master of Business Administration

Application deadline 26 January 2007 (for March class)

The [Executive Master of Business Administration \(EMBA\)](#) program is a 24-month defense-focused, part-time graduate program that includes a financial management concentration. The majority of the program is delivered via video conferencing (VTC), the internet, and other distance learning modes. Students meet in VTC-capable classrooms once a week during normal duty hours for six to seven hours of instruction, taking two classes per quarter for eight quarters. Tuition is Navy-funded, and command support is required. Detailed information about the EMBA program, eligibility requirements, and application details is available online at www.nps.navy.mil/gsbpp/emba or by e-mailing emba@nps.edu.