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## Correspondence Course Descriptions

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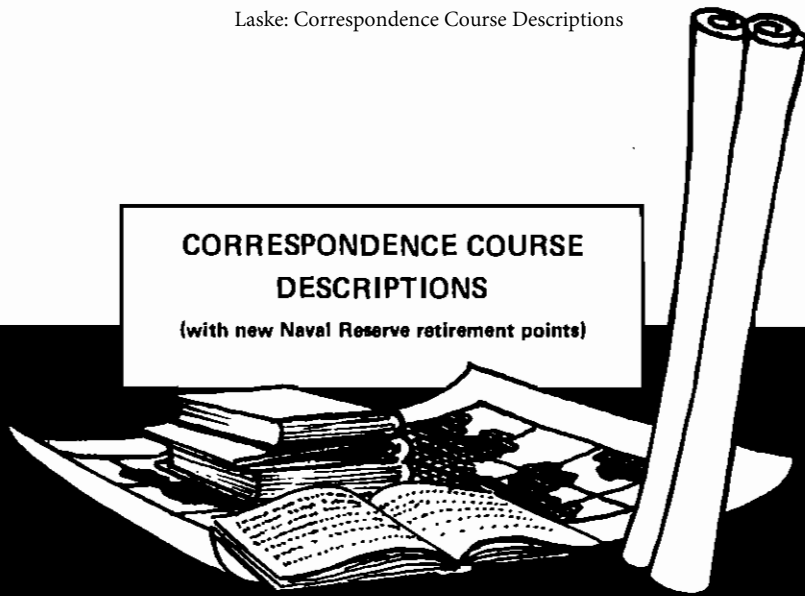
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The President of the Naval War College extends the benefits of the College to nonresident military officers and selected Government employes by offering appropriate correspondence courses. These courses are constantly reviewed and updated to keep them in consonance with the resident courses.

Naval War College correspondence courses are available to all officers of the United States military services of the grade of Navy lieutenant (or equivalent) and above in active service or in the Inactive Reserve. Selected Government employes of the grade GS-10 (or equivalent) and above may enroll in these courses also. The waiver of rank or grade may be granted for qualified individuals in lower grades. Applications from active duty officers should be by letter via Commanding Officer. Applications from inactive duty naval officers should be by letter via Commandant, Naval District, or command maintaining record.

The description of courses which follows indicates Naval Reserve retirement-point evaluations. The satisfactory completion of each installment is creditable. These points are revisions, effective

for each installment completed on or after 1 April 1970. (See exception for *Strategic Planning*.)

The correspondence course program is designed so that the student may proceed in an orderly manner from subject to subject. Prerequisites are not required nor is it mandatory that the recommended pattern be followed. However, based on experience, it has been determined that an officer benefits more by progressing in the following general manner, moving from Group 1 toward Group 4.

Group 1: Military Planning and National and International Security Organization.

Group 2: Naval Operations, Command Logistics, and Military Management.

Group 3: International Relations and Counterinsurgency.

Group 4: Strategic Planning and International Law.

**NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ORGANIZATION, NWC 14. 2 Installments—32 Points total—16 Points per installment.** A study of the National Security Council; the Joint

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Chiefs of Staff; Office of the Secretary of Defense; Headquarters of the Military Departments; Unified, Joint, and Combined Organizations; International Security Organizations; Foreign Aid Programs; and their relationships to each other.

**COMMAND LOGISTICS, NWC 15. 3 Installments—45 Points total—15 Points per installment.** A study of basic logistic considerations, logistic elements and functions; interrelationships of strategy, tactics, and the basic elements and functions of logistics; the impact of future developments and trends of warfare upon the field of logistics; and the impact of future developments in the field of logistics upon the concept of warfare from the command viewpoint.

**INTERNATIONAL LAW, NWC 16. 6 Installments—126 Points total—21 Points per installment.** This course is designed to provide the student with the means to gain an understanding of principles of international law having to do with the organization of the world community with emphasis on areas of naval interest and with specific application of these principles to the naval officer's profession.

**INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, NWC 17. 6 Installments—108 Points total—18 Points per installment.** A disciplined study of international relations, organized to provide basic definitions, concepts, and functions of organizations which facilitate the conduct of world affairs. As the relations of nations greatly influence policies of national security and subsequent national strategy, serious students of this course will significantly enhance their professional qualifications.

**MILITARY PLANNING, NWC 18. 2 Installments—36 Points total—18 Points per installment.** A study of the systematic techniques of logical analysis as

applied to military planning using a problem situation; and an introduction to staff organization, functions, staff studies, and planning directives.

**NAVAL OPERATIONS, NWC 19. 2 Installments—48 Points total—24 Points per installment.** A course comprising a study of the characteristics of four major weapons systems and considerations for their employment; submarine, antisubmarine, attack carrier, and amphibious forces. The student need select and complete only two of the four installments; however, a combination of the submarine and antisubmarine installments may not be selected.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING, NWC 20. 2 Installments—36 Points total—18 Points per installment.** A National Security Council level study of national objectives, interests, and policies and their relation to national strategy; and strategic planning at the level of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. (Those who enrolled before 1 April 1970 will receive 22 points for each installment.)

**COUNTERINSURGENCY, NWC 21. 4 Installments—64 Points total—16 Points per installment.** A means for the student to prepare himself for positions of responsibility which involve the planning and conduct of counterinsurgency programs. The student will acquire an understanding of the possible contributions of all governmental departments and the need to integrate their available capabilities into effective programs to attain our national objectives.

**MILITARY MANAGEMENT, NWC 22. 3 Installments—60 Points total—20 Points per installment.** This course will provide the student an opportunity to further his appreciation for the principles, processes, concepts, applications, and techniques inherent in sound military management. It is structured to

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**SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE COURSE OFFERINGS AND BENEFITS**

NAVAL WAR COLLEGE CORRESPONDENCE COURSES	GROUPS (Recm order of taking)	NC&S level	NW level	No. of Install.	EARN	
					Retirement Points*	Documents
	(ABBR)				Reserve Off only*	
Nat & Internat Sec Org	(NISO)	1	x	2	@16 ea.= 32	Ltr for Selection Jacket & Certificate for Course
Military Planning	(MP)	1	x	2	@18 ea.= 36	"
Naval Operations	(NO)	2	x	2	@24 ea.= 48	"
Command Logistics	(CL)	2	x	3	@15 ea.= 45	"
Military Management	(MM)	2	x	3	@20 ea.= 60	"
<b><u>ALL FIVE COURSES ABOVE</u></b> —Graduate of "The Correspondence Course of Naval Command and Staff"						Special Diploma & Ltr for Selection Jacket
Int Relations	(IR)	3		x 6	@18 ea.=108	Ltr for Selection Jacket & Certificate for Course
Counterinsurgency	(CI)	3		x 4	@16 ea.= 64	"
International Law	(IL)	3		x 6	@21 ea.=126	"
Strategic Planning	(SP)	4		x 2	@18 ea.= 36	"
<b><u>ALL NINE COURSES ABOVE</u></b> —Graduate of "The Correspondence Course of Naval Warfare"						Special Diploma & Ltr for Selection Jacket

\*These new points are effective for each installment completed on or after 1 April 1970. Exception is made for Strategic Planning students who were already enrolled; they will continue to receive 22 points for completion of each installment.

highlight the following areas of interest: the functions of management; the history and background of managerial thought; interdisciplinary foundations for management; defense as an economic problem; scientific aids to decisionmaking; the role of computers; Navy planning, programming, and budgeting; the management of resources; and future trends in military management.

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Successful completion of individual courses is recognized by the award of a certificate and the issuance of a letter of completion. Notification of successful course completion is forwarded to the Chief of Naval Personnel, or other appropriate authority, for inclusion in the student's selection jacket.

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The President of the Naval War College will award diplomas to those students completing selected groups of

correspondence courses which closely parallel the levels of studies offered at the resident schools of Naval Command and Staff and Naval Warfare. These diplomas certify that the designee is a graduate of the Correspondence Course of Naval Command and Staff or the Correspondence Course of Naval Warfare.

**The Correspondence Course of Naval Command and Staff.** Graduation from this course indicates successful completion of five correspondence courses: National and International Security Organization, Military Planning, Naval Operations, Command Logistics, and Military Management.

**The Correspondence Course of Naval Warfare.** Graduation from this course indicates successful completion of the Correspondence Course of Naval Command and Staff plus four additional courses: Counterinsurgency, International Relations, International Law, and Strategic Planning.

