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SUBJ/ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026 NAVAL WAR COLLEGE FLEET SEMINAR PROGRAM//

RMKS/1. This NAVADMIN announces the U.S. Naval War College (NWC) Fleet Seminar Program (FSP) for academic year (AY) 2025-2026. The FSP offers students a path to complete their Joint Professional Military Education (JPME-I) requirement and earn credit towards a NWC Master's Degree. The enrollment period is open from 1 April to 31 May 2025.

2. Background. FSP offers intermediate level JPME-I in Fleet concentration areas through a set of three courses: Strategy and War (S and W), Theater Security Decision Making (TSDM) and Joint Maritime Operations (JMO). Completion of all three courses results in the award of a College of Naval Command and Staff diploma, credit for completing JPME-I, and credit towards earning a NWC Master's Degree through the College of Distance Education (CDE) Graduate Degree Program (GDP).

a. Each course normally requires one AY (September to October) to complete. All three courses are not offered simultaneously at all locations. For AY 2025-2026 the planned locations and courses are:

- (1) Annapolis, MD (S and W, TSDM and JMO)
- (2) Bangor, WA (JMO)
- (3) Dahlgren, VA (TSDM)
- (4) Everett, WA (TSDM)
- (5) Great Lakes, IL (JMO)
- (6) Jacksonville, FL (TSDM and JMO)
- (7) Mayport, FL (S and W)
- (8) New Orleans, LA (TSDM)
- (9) Newport, RI (S and W, TSDM and JMO)
- (10) Norfolk, VA (S and W, TSDM and JMO)
- (11) Patuxent River, MD (JMO)
- (12) Pearl Harbor, HI (S and W, TSDM and JMO)
- (13) Pensacola, FL (Whiting Field) (JMO)
- (14) San Diego, CA (S and W, TSDM and JMO)
- (15) Washington, DC (S and W, TSDM and JMO)

b. Seminars meet once a week in the evening for 34 weeks. There is no tuition fee and course materials are provided on a loan basis at no cost to the students.

c. FSP at all locations are conducted in-step with each other, so students who transfer to or are assigned temporary additional duty at another location may attend class at the new location.

d. FSP students may apply for the GDP following successful completion of their first FSP course.

3. Criteria. NWC accepts applications from commissioned officers (active and reserve) and federal civilian employees who meet the following eligibility requirements:

a. Possess a baccalaureate degree.

b. Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard officers O-3 or above.

c. Officers from the other services O-4 or above.

d. Federal civilian employees GS-11 and above (or equivalent).

4. Application Process. The application period is open until 31 May 2025. Follow the enrollment procedures on the FSP website at <https://usnwc.don.edu/college-of-distance-education/Fleet-Seminar-Program.html>.

The website also contains the most up-to-date information on the program. Accepted applicants will be notified via email.

5. Points of contact are Ms. Ruth Chapman who can be reached at (401) 856-5530 or at [fsp@usnwc.edu](mailto:fsp@usnwc.edu), Mr. Walter Stiles who can be reached at [walter.stiles@usnwc.edu](mailto:walter.stiles@usnwc.edu), and Mr. Tom Alex who can be reached at [thomas.alex@usnwc.edu](mailto:thomas.alex@usnwc.edu).

6. Request widest dissemination of the above information. Regional coordinators at the sites listed in paragraph two are requested to pass this information to all Army, Marine Corps, Air Force, Space Force, and Coast Guard units and all reserve units located within safe-driving distance of an FSP site.

7. This message will remain in effect until superseded or 31 May 2025, whichever occurs first.

8. Released by VADM D.W. Dwyer, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Operations, Plans, Strategy, and Warfighting Development (N3N5N7).//

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