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**MARINE CORPS UNIVERSITY/EDUCATION COMMAND ORDER 1500.1D**

From: Provost, Marine Corps University

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- Ref:
- (a) SACSCOC Principles of Accreditation 2024 Edition
  - (b) Resource Manual for the Principles of Accreditation Fourth Edition Published 2024
  - (c) Integrity and Institutional Obligations to SACSCOC Policy Statement
  - (d) 10 USC 8592: Degree granting authority for Marine Corps University
  - (e) 10 U.S.C. § 8748
  - (f) Title 32, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 219, Protection of Human Subjects
  - (g) Title 5, United States Code, Section 552, Public information; agency rules, opinions, orders, records, and proceedings
  - (h) Uniform Code of Military Justice
  - (i) DoD Directive 5230.09
  - (j) DoDI 5230.29
  - (k) DoDI 1402.06
  - (l) DoDI 3200.12 DOD Scientific and Technical Information Program
  - (m) DoD SAAMS
  - (n) CJCSI 1800.01G
  - (o) SECNAVINST 5211.5F DON Privacy Program
  - (p) MCO 1700.23G Request Mast Procedures
  - (q) MCO 1524.1 Marine Corps Graduate Education Program
  - (r) MCO 5354.1G Marine Corps Prohibited Activities and Conduct Prevention and Response Policy
  - (s) MCO 1752.5C Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program
  - (t) MCO 1553.4B Professional Military Education
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  - (v) MARADMIN 412/20
  - (w) Memorandum of Agreement: Assignment of Military Faculty at the Senior Service Level Colleges and National Defense University of 10 Jun 16
  - (x) United States Marine Corps Human Research Protection Program Policy and Procedures 28 Sep 2016
  - (y) MCU/EDCOM Order 12000.1K
  - (z) MCU Business Regulations
  - (aa) CDET Policy Letter 04-16 CDET Faculty Member Qualifications
  - (ab) Best Practices for Peer Review, Association of University Press
  - (ac) Principles of Transparency and Best Practice in Scholarly Publishing, Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE)

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#### 1. Situation

a. The references, which include legislation, regulations, and the published policies of the Federal Government, the Department of Defense, the Department of the Navy, and the U.S. Marine Corps, including policies governing local jurisdiction as dictated by Marine Corps Base Quantico, and external accrediting bodies (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) and the Process of Accreditation of Joint Education (PAJE)) guide the development and review of academic policies.

b. In addition to this publication, academic policies or portions thereof are contained in the following University publications: the Business Regulations; the Title 10 Personnel Management Order, Academic Operations and Plans (VPOP) Regulations; other Marine Corps University (MCU) policies and directives; and various other publications that convey information about the institution's educational programs administered by the Marine Corps War College, the School of Advanced Warfighting, Command and Staff College, Expeditionary Warfare School, the College of Enlisted Military Education, the Marine Corps Senior Enlisted Academy, and the College of Distance Education and Training, such as standard operating procedures and course catalogs.

2. Cancellation. This order replaces in its entirety MCU/EDCOMO 1500.1C.

3. Mission. The academic regulations articulate the academic policies and procedures our military and civilian faculty, staff, and students will use to prepare leaders to meet the challenges of the national security environment.

#### 4. Execution

a. Intent. To uphold MCU's vision of advancing the Marine Corps' legacy of warfighting

excellence, we aspire to be a forward-thinking military academic institution, providing world-class education.

b. Concept of Operations

(1) An open call to all hands within MCU to review and update the academic regulations will take place each Spring to be published for the following academic year.

(2) Staff and faculty can request updates or additions throughout the academic year, as necessary. Each enclosure of this order will have a policy section and a procedures section. The policy section requires the approval of the President, MCU for updates. The procedures section requires approval of the Provost for updates.

c. Tasks

(1) Provost. Assume overall responsibility for the management and execution of the academic regulations.

(2) Faculty Council. Provide recommendations for academic regulation updates continuously.

(3) School/Colleges Directors. Update school policies as appropriate to ensure compliance.

d. Coordinating Instructions

(1) All MCU special staff, vice presidents, staff sections, faculty, directors and students should be familiar with the contents of this order.

(2) All MCU special staff, vice presidents, staff sections, faculty, directors and students are encouraged to provide recommendations concerning updates, changes, and cancellations of each of these regulations.

5. Administration and Logistics. Academic Affairs in coordination with the Information Technology department will publish the academic regulations on the MCU website.

6. Command and Signal

a. Command. This order is applicable to all Service members (active and reserve) and civilian personnel assigned or attached to Marine Corps University/Education Command, including international and interagency students.

b. Signal. This order is effective on the date signed.

  
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