

List of Officer PME Student Awards

University-level Awards

Krulak Center Award for Innovation: Presented to the student that best embodies the spirit and creativity of LtGen Brute Krulak. This student continually challenged instructors as well as their fellow students with their “out of the box” thinking and consistently presented novel, imaginative and unique contributions to the class discussions, planning exercises and writing assignments.

Women, Peace and Security: Presented to a student who best demonstrates critical thought and the creativity focused on United States Strategy, the international strategy as proposed by the UN, or the value of a gendered perspective relating to conflict prevention and resolution.

Awards available to students in two or more programs

ABCNZ Armies Program Staff College Award: Marine Corps War College (MCWAR), School of Advanced Warfighting (SAW) and Command and Staff College (CSC) Awarded for the best paper on the topic of coalition interoperability.

Colonel Arthur Corbett Award (MCWAR, SAW, CSC): Awarded in honor of the late Colonel Arthur Corbett, USMC, to the student (and two honorable mentions) whose paper best exemplifies the contributions made by Colonel Corbett to the Marine Corps in the realm of force design and capabilities with an emphasis on innovation and creativity.

Foreign Area Officer Award for International Affairs: (MCWAR and CSC) Awarded for the best paper demonstrating academic research, strategic-thought, and professional writing skills on international affairs and related intelligence issues.

Joint Service Planner Award: (MCWAR and SAW) Awarded for the best paper on the topic of future and/or joint fighting.

Marine Corps War College Awards

Lieutenant General P. K. Van Riper Writing Award: Awarded for the paper determined to be most suitable for publication in a professional journal.

Master of Operational Warfare & Campaigning Award: awarded for superior achievement in wargaming, campaigning for strategic effect, and exercise play.

MCWAR Academic Excellence Awards: Marine Corps Association and Foundation sponsors the MCWAR Academic Excellence Awards, presented to the top ten percent of the MCWAR graduating class based upon evaluation of leadership qualities and superior academic performance, with emphasis on academic performance.

National Strategy and Policy Award: Awarded for the best paper that exemplifies a military advice or strategy recommendation memo or paper.

Senior Staff/Senior Advisor Briefing Award: Awarded for the best performance in briefing a topic in Great Power Rivalry in the fall and/or spring cumulative oral boards

School of Advanced Warfighting Awards

General Clifton B. Cates Award (1st and 2nd): Awarded in honor of General Clifton B. Cates, U.S. Marine Corps, the nineteenth Commandant of the Marine Corps, for sustained demonstration of problem-solving capabilities far exceeding military experience.

Staff Ride Excellence Prize: Annually awarded to the SAW student who most excels in the staff ride component of the curriculum.

Command and Staff College Awards

Brigadier A. W. Hammett Award: Awarded in honor of Brigadier Anthony W. Hammett, AM, Royal Australian Regiment for the most outstanding research paper by an international military student on a subject of value to his country.

Colonel Bevan G. Cass Award (1st and 2nd place): Awarded in honor of Colonel Bevan G. Cass, U.S. Marine Corps to the best paper on a topic concerned with the profession of arms bearing directly on the Marine Corps.

Colonel Franklin Brooke Nihart Award: Awarded in memory of Colonel Franklin Brook Nihart, U.S. Marine Corps, Retired, for the best Master of Military Studies paper by a USMC infantry officer.

Lieutenant General Edward W. Snedeker Award: Awarded in honor of Lieutenant General Edward W. Snedeker, U.S. Marine Corps, Retired, for the best paper suitable for publication in a professional journal on a topic related to command and control, communications, information systems or intelligence.

Lieutenant General John A. Lejeune Award: Awarded in memory of General John A. Lejeune, U.S. Marine Corps, Retired, thirteenth Commandant of the Marine Corps, for the best paper on a military topic.

Streusand-Cooper Award: Awarded in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Alan L. Streusand and Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Francis L. "Gus" Cooper for the best paper on information and operations or information as an instrument of national power.

William J. "Wild Bill" Donovan Intelligence Writing Award: Awarded for the most outstanding paper on intelligence or an intelligence-related topic.

Expeditionary Warfare School Awards

Captain Larry K. Shipman Memorial Award: Presented in honor of Captain Larry K. Shipman, USMC, by the Marine Corps Association and Foundation to the outstanding Ground Combat Element student.

Colonel Donald G. Cook Memorial Award: Presented in honor of Colonel Donald G. Cook, USMC, by the Armed Forces Communications and Electronic Association Education Foundation to the outstanding Communications student.

First Lieutenant Harry L. Martin Memorial Award: Presented in honor of First Lieutenant Harry L. Martin, USMC, by the Marine Corps Engineer Association to the outstanding Marine Engineer student.

General Roy S. Geiger Award: Presented in honor of General Roy S. Geiger, USMC, by the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation to the student who demonstrates overall student leadership.

International Military Student Officer Award: Presented by the Marine Corps University Foundation to the international military student who best demonstrates overall excellence.

Lieutenant Colonel Earl H. "Pete" Ellis Award: Presented in honor of Lieutenant Colonel Earl H. Ellis, USMC by the Marine Corps Association and Foundation for critical warfighting discipline student leadership.

Lieutenant Colonel Robert J. Johnson, Jr. Memorial Award: Presented in honor of Lieutenant Colonel Robert J. Johnson, Jr., USMC, by the Marine Corps Aviation Association to the outstanding Aviation Combat Element (ACE) student.

Major General Michael Ennis Intelligence Award: The Major General Michael Ennis Intelligence Award is sponsored by Marine Corps University Foundation and presented to the outstanding intelligence officer student.

Major Walter M. Murphy Memorial Award: Presented in honor of Major Walter M. Murphy, USMC, by the Marine Corps Association and Foundation to the outstanding Logistics Combat Element student.

Rapicault Memorial Award: Presented in memory of Captain Patrick Rapicault, USMC, by the Marine Corps Gazette to the international military student who has written the best paper in EWS.

The United States Field Artillery Association Award: The United States Field Artillery Association Award (Leatherneck Chapter) is sponsored by the US Field Artillery Association and is presented to the outstanding artillery student.

United States Naval Institute Lieutenant General John A. Lejeune writing award: Awarded by the U.S. Naval Institute and Proceedings in honor of General John A. Lejeune, U.S. Marine Corps, Retired, thirteenth Commandant of the Marine Corps, for the best student paper.

Yeosock Memorial Award: Presented in memory of Lieutenant General John J. Yeosock, USA, by the Marine Corps Gazette to sister service student who has written the best paper in EWS.

College of Distance Education and Training Awards

Brigadier General Thomas V. Draude Award (EWSDEP and EWSBSP): The Brigadier General Thomas V. Draude, USMC (Ret) Award for Exceptional Scholarship is awarded to individuals from the College of Distance Education and Training's Expeditionary Warfare School Blended

Seminar Program and Distance Education Program who authored a superior, highly thoughtful, extra-curricular essay linking their curriculum to the Commandant's Professional Reading List.