# ENLISTED COLLEGE SEMINAR GRADUATION CEREMONY

COLLEGE OF DISTANCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING CAMP LEJEUNE SATELLITE CAMPUS





FRIDAY, 24 JUNE 2022 1000 AT SNCOA MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM

# **PROGRAM**

Introduction and Welcome

Invocation

**National Anthem** 

Introduction of CDET Staff

**RCI Comments** 

Introduction of the Guest of Honor

Remarks by the Guest of Honor

Presentation of Diplomas

Marines Hymn

Dismissal

## LEJEUNE SATELLITE CAMPUS STAFF AND ADJUNCT FACULTY

Mr. Marc Riccio, Col, USMC (Ret.)	Regional Director
Mr. Tim Weber, SgtMaj, USMC (Ret.)	Regional Chief Instructor
Dr. John Strong, MSgt, USMC (Ret.)	Regional Chief Instructor
Mr. Tim Davis, SSgt, USMC (Ret.)	Regional Chief Instructor

### **ASSP Adjunct Faculty**

Sergeant Major David Watts

Master Gunnery Sergeant Damon Sonnier

Mr. Walter Rickett, MSgt (Ret.), USMC

Mrs. Eve Worley, MSgt (Ret), USMC

### **CSSP Adjunct Faculty**

Gunnery Sergeant Patrick Gross Gunnery Sergeant David Sellers

### SSSP Adjunct Faculty

Staff Sergeant James Williams

Master Sergeant Adam Hugoboom

Staff Sergeant Stephen McGushin



### **ENLISTED COLLEGE SEMINAR OVERVIEW**

The Enlisted College Seminar classes are conducted 3 times per Academic Year (AY), with classes beginning each year in July, November, and March. Seminar classes (for example 1-22, 2-22, and 3-22). Each class consists of Sergeant School Seminars (SSSP), Career School Seminars (CSSP), and Advanced School Seminars (ASSP). All seminar programs are conducted in all 8 global regions on the same schedule and each class is 15 weeks.

Onsite Seminars are conducted after-hours one night a week for the duration of the school. Seminars typically start between 1700 and 1800 and run for 3 hours. Seminars are typically only held on Mon, Tue, Wed, or Thu evenings. Once accepted, students will be assigned to a seminar group and to an Adjunct Faculty. Approximately 5 days before the first evening seminar, the Adjunct Faculty will contact each student with information about their seminar assignment. Students will then attend evening seminars each week on the night and with the seminar group they were assigned.

Online Seminars are for Marines in exceptional situations that prevent them from attending the Resident school or an Onsite seminar. Acceptance is by exception only and the command must demonstrate that the Online seminar is the only option for the Marine to complete their PME requirement before they come into zone for promotion. Contact the Regional Chief Instructor for more information.



# ACADEMIC YEAR 2022 ADVANCED SCHOOL SEMINAR GRADUATES

GySgt Kristopher A. Aguirre

GySgt Michele S. Arnone

GySgt Herbert A. Barrera Marroquin

GySgt Aaron W. Bidwell

GySgt William A. Blakes Jr.

GySgt Jeremie J. Burd

GySgt Stephen O. Chandler GySgt

GySgt Heather E. Coffey

GySgt Clayton E. Coker

GySgt Shawn L. Comtois

GySgt Antonio Cruz

GySgt Edgar J. Diaz

GySgt Kyle L. Eisenacher

GySgt Johnathan R. Falk

GySgt Ricardo Funez

GySgt Timothy A. Havlock

GySgt Jeremiah L. Hoff

GySgt Kenneth J. Honeycutt

GySgt Windell S. Ingle

GySgt Jakub Kolba

GySgt Luke Kong

GySgt Alan R. Largen

GySgt Noel A. Leverenz II

GySgt Allen M. Mann

GySgt Joshua K. Martin

Justin N. McLinn

GySgt Brandon E. Meadors

GySgt Mina Mechreki

GySgt Robert P. Olivas

GySgt Julian A. Perez

GySgt Felipe Perezrobles

GySgt John A. Rethage

GySgt Luis M. Sanchez III

GySgt Jeremy E. Spaunhorst

GySgt Thomas N. Taylor

GySgt Robert A. Taylor III

GySgt Kyle J. Tolla

GySgt Jose A. Torres Plaza

GySgt Ashley R. Wrenn



# ACADEMIC YEAR 2022 CAREER SCHOOL SEMINAR GRADUATES

SSgt Christopher X. Allen

SSgt Derick D. Arrogante

SSgt John W. M. Ayers

SSgt Nicholas E. Bingham

SSgt David A. Brown

SSgt Thomas A. Callaghan

SSgt Dzhamilya Chrome

SSgt Jeremy A. Dance

SSgt Branden L. Easterday

SSgt Vincent L. Echerer

SSgt John T. Gatling

SSgt Michael W. Kaplinski

SSgt Derek A. Levi

SSgt Benjamin D. Long

SSgt Andrew J. McNett

SSgt Kerrin A. Neumann

SSgt Cruz A. Nuanez

SSgt Abisai Ochoa

SSgt Todd R. Olmsted

SSgt Ian R. Page

SSgt Joshua K. Peters

SSgt Brandon R. Rice

SSgt Miguel F. Salcedo

SSgt Kenyun D. Scott

SSgt Patrick R. Sherlund

SSgt James D. Toney

SSgt Kirby R. Turner

SSgt Ross S. Wigley

SSgt Landon C. Wilhite

SSgt Matthew J. Yarab

SSgt Casey S. Yelton

SSgt Quintin R. Zamecnik



# ACADEMIC YEAR 2022 SERGEANTS SCHOOL SEMINAR GRADUATES

Sgt James B. Bone

Sgt Christopher B. Bowers

Sgt Brandon R. Case

Sgt Joshua J. Cutshaw

Sgt Justin M. Daniels

Sgt Connor J. Dunn

Sgt Maximillian M. Eckes

Sgt Justin T. Fondon

Sgt Koraima Hernandez

Sgt Sabryna M. Huskisson

Sgt Collin A. Jacobs

SSgt Austyn R. Knorr

Sgt Justin A. Koch

Sgt Ian P. McConnell

Sgt Alex L. Morrissey

Sgt Charles A. Mowery

Sgt Daniel N. Naipaul

Sgt Tyler W. Prinz

Sgt Zachary M. Strickland

Sgt Jaeden M. Tatro

Sgt John M. Weiler

Sgt Daniel A. Zavaleta

### **GUEST OF HONOR**

### Sergeant Major Doug W. Gerhardt, Sergeant Major, Marine Corps Air Station, New River

SgtMaj Gerhardt is a Jacksonville, FL native. After graduating High School, SgtMaj Gerhardt enlisted in 1994 with the United States Marine Corps and attended recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, SC., Marine Combat Training and Infantry Training Battalion at Camp Geiger, NC.

January 1995, SgtMaj Gerhardt was assigned to Naval Submarine Base Bangor, Washington for duty as a security guard.

March 1997, SgtMaj Gerhardt transferred to 3d Battalion 6th Marines where he was promoted to the ranks of Corporal and Sergeant. During this time, SgtMaj Gerhardt deployed to the Mediterranean with the 24 MEU and supported Operation Southern Watch serving as Infantry Fire Team Leader and Squad leader.



SgtMaj Gerhardt transferred to 3d Battalion 8th Marines in December 1998. There he served as infantry squad leader while deployed on the 26 MEU in support of Operations Shining Hope, Allied Force, and Joint Guardian in the Adriatic Sea in support of combat operations in Kosovo.

SgtMaj Gerhardt was transferred Dec 1999 and assigned to Headquarters and Service Battalion Marine Corps Base Quantico, Virginia serving as the base education assistant and Marine Battle Skills Training Instructor.

May 2002 SgtMaj Gerhardt reported to Recruiter School and subsequently served as a Canvassing Recruiter and SNCOIC at Recruiting Station NY, RSS Hicksville and RSS Smithtown, NY. During this tour, SgtMaj Gerhardt was promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant.

July 2005, SgtMaj Gerhardt was transferred to 3d Battalion 1st Marines for duty where he was promoted to the rank of Gunnery Sergeant and served as Mobile Assault Platoon Sergeant, Combined Anti-Armor Platoon Sergeant, and Operations Chief. During this assignment SgtMaj Gerhardt deployed to Southwest Asia Iraq during OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM 5.7 and the 13th MEU in support of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM 6.8.

April 2008 SgtMaj Gerhardt transferred to School of Infantry - West, Advanced Infantry Training Battalion (AITB) for duty as the Assistant Operations Chief. During this assignment, SgtMaj Gerhardt reported to Marine Combat Instructor Course as a student. Upon graduating, SgtMaj Gerhardt reported back to AITB where he served in the billets of Assistant Operations Chief and Company Gunnery Sergeant of Infantry Unit Leader Training Company. During this tour he was promoted to the rank of First Sergeant.

May 2010 SgtMaj Gerhardt reported for duty with 8th Communication Battalion where he served as Company B and General Support Company First Sergeant deploying to Afghanistan in support of OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM 11.2 from July 2011-January 2012.

September 2013 SgtMaj Gerhardt was transferred to 3d Battalion 6th Marines where he served as Weapons Company and Headquarters and Service Company First Sergeant deploying with the 24 MEU. SgtMaj Gerhardt was promoted to his current rank.

January 2016 SgtMaj Gerhardt served as Squadron SgtMaj for Marine Wing Support Squadron-271. During this assignment, he conducted deployment for training exercise in Yuma, Arizona in support of Weapons and Tactics Instructor Course (WTI). SgtMaj Gerhardt was reassigned to 1st Battalion 25th Marines in January 2018 serving as the Inspector-Instructor Sergeant Major where he supported and oversaw the activation of the reserve battalion to conduct a unit deployment program to the Indo-Pacom region.

Slated in October 2019 SgtMaj Gerhardt reported in January 2020 as the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit SgtMaj. He was subsequently reassigned as a Recovering Service Member with Wounded Warrior Battalion-East. April 2021 SgtMaj Gerhardt reported for duty as the New River Air Station SgtMaj where he currently serves.

Personal Decorations: Meritorious Service Medal with one gold star, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with three gold stars in lieu of fourth award, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with two gold stars in lieu of third award, Combat Action ribbon with gold star.

SgtMaj Gerhardt also holds a Bachelor of Science in Management from the University of Phoenix.

## SNCO CREED

I AM A STAFF NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS. AS SUCH, I AM A MEMBER OF THE MOST UNIQUE GROUP OF PROFESSIONAL MILITARY PRACTITIONERS IN THE WORLD. I AM BOUND BY DUTY TO GOD, COUNTRY, AND MY FELLOW MARINES TO EXECUTE THE DEMANDS OF MY POSITION TO AND BEYOND WHAT I BELIEVE TO BE THE LIMITS OF MY CAPABILITIES.

I REALIZE I AM THE MAINSTAY OF MARINE CORPS DISCIPLINE, AND I CARRY MYSELF WITH MILITARY GRACE, UNBOWED BY THE WEIGHT OF COMMAND, UNFLINCHING IN THE EXECUTION LAWFUL ORDERS, AND UNSWERVING IN MY DEDICATION TO THE MOST COMPLETE SUCCESS OF MY ASSIGNED MISSION.

BOTH MY PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL DEMEANOR SHALL BE SUCH THAT I MAY TAKE PRIDE IF MY JUNIORS EMULATE ME, AND KNOWING PERFECTION TO LIE BEYOND THE GRASP OF ANY MORTAL HAND, I SHALL YET STRIVE TO ATTAIN PERFECTION THAT I MAY EVER BE AWARE OF MY NEEDS AND CAPABILITIES TO IMPROVE MYSELF. I SHALL BE FAIR IN MY PERSONAL RELATIONS, JUST IN THE ENFORCEMENT OF DISCIPLINE, TRUE TO MYSELF AND MY FELLOW MARINES, AND EQUITABLE IN MY DEALING WITH EVERY MAN.

### NCO CREED

I AM THE BACKBONE OF THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, I AM A MARINE NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICER. I SERVE AS PART OF THE VITAL LINK BETWEEN MY COMMANDER (AND ALL OFFICERS) AND ENLISTED MARINES. I WILL NEVER FORGET WHO I AM OR WHAT I REPRESENT. I WILL CHALLENGE MYSELF TO THE LIMIT AND BE EVER ATTENTIVE TO DUTY. I AM NOW, MORE THAN EVER, COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE IN ALL THAT I DO, SO THAT I CAN SET THE PROPER EXAMPLE FOR OTHER MARINES.

I WILL DEMAND OF MYSELF ALL THE ENERGY, KNOWL-EDGE AND SKILLS I POSSESS, SO THAT I CAN INSTILL CONFIDENCE IN THOSE I TEACH. I WILL CONSTANTLY STRIVE TO PERFECT MY OWN SKILLS AND TO BECOME A GOOD LEADER. ABOVE ALL I WILL BE TRUTHFUL IN ALL I SAY OR DO. MY INTEGRITY SHALL BE IMPECCABLE AS MY APPEARANCE. I WILL BE HONEST WITH MYSELF, WITH THOSE UNDER MY CHARGE AND WITH MY SUPERIORS.

I PLEDGE TO DO MY BEST TO INCORPORATE ALL THE LEADERSHIP TRAITS INTO MY CHARACTER. FOR SUCH IS THE HERITAGE I HAVE RECEIVED FROM THAT LONG, ILLUSTRIOUS LINE OF PROFESSIONALS WHO HAVE WORN THE BLOODSTRIPE SO PROUDLY BEFORE ME. I MUST GIVE THE VERY BEST I HAVE FOR MY MARINES, MY CORPS AND MY COUNTRY FOR THOUGH TODAY I INSTRUCT AND SUPERVISE IN PEACE, TOMORROW, I MAY LEAD IN WAR.

### TO REGISTER

Students are required to fill out and return the below listed documents (in one email) to the Camp Lejeune regional office for enrollment into the Enlisted College Distance Education Program (ECDEP) to Mrs. Eve Worley at WorleyE@DavisDefense.com. The onsite and online seminar programs both require the NAVMC 11580 and certificate of completion of the prerequisite non-resident PME certificate. The Online seminar has an additional enrollment form requirement that will be provided after a brief screening over the phone. Partial packages will not be accepted. Once the package is approved, the student will receive an email requesting additional information to finalize their enrollment.

- a. The current version of the Command Screening Checklist NAVMC 11580. This form must be signed by Battalion/Squadron level Commanding Officer and Senior Enlisted Advisor. The medical screening portion of the Command Screening Checklist is not required for the Seminar Program due to the fact that there are no physical requirements in the DEP. The checklist no longer requires a 30-day recertification of PFT/CFT/Height-Weight. Commands are responsible for ensuring their Marines are within Marine Corps standards. Marines assigned to BCP are not eligible to attend resident or seminar program courses either online or onsite.
- b. A copy of the associated Marine Net Course Completion Certificate (EPME5000-Sgt, EPME6000-SSgt, or EPME7000-GySgt).
- c. The email must include the Marine's personal email, military email, contact phone number, and full name in the body text. This is to facilitate contact for the final step of enrollment.

