CSCDEP 8905, 8906, 8907, 8908 WEEKLY SEMINAR SCHEDULE AY 2026

8905 - SMALL WARS

WEEK ONE – 2 September

Lesson 1: Introduction to Small Wars

WEEK TWO - 8 September

Lesson 2: Culture in Small Wars

WEEK THREE – 15 September

Lesson 3: The Law of War and Ethical Leadership in Small Wars

WEEK FOUR - 22 September

Lesson 4: Foreign Humanitarian Assistance and Peace Operations

WEEK FIVE – 29 September

Lesson 5: Insurgency

WEEK SIX - 6 October

Lesson 6: Counterinsurgency

WEEK SEVEN - 13 October

Lesson 7: Transnational Threats and Terrorism

WEEK EIGHT - 20 October

Faculty grading of 8905 course examination

8906 — MAGTF EXPEDITIONARY OPERATIONS

WEEK NINE - 27 October

Lesson 1: Leadership and Ethics

Command Philosophy Paper Assigned

WEEK TEN - 3 November

Lesson 2: Organizational Leadership

WEEK ELEVEN – 10 November

Lesson 3: Expeditionary Operations

8905 Course Close Out Due

WEEK TWELVE – 17 November

Lesson 4: Marine Air-Ground Task Force Operations

WEEK THIRTEEN - 24 November

Lesson 5: Rear Area Operations and Force Protection

Command Philosophy Paper Due

Approved:

WEEK FOURTEEN - 1 December

Lesson 6: Force Deployment Planning and Execution and the Maritime Prepositioning Force

WEEK FIFTEEN - 8 December

Lesson 7: Logistic Support for Expeditionary Operations

WEEK SIXTEEN - 15 December

Lesson 8: Command and Control and Intelligence

Winter Break

WEEK SEVENTEEN – 5 January

Lesson 9: MAGTF Fires and the Information Environment

Course Assessment Due

WEEK EIGHTEEN - 12 January

Faculty grading of 8906 course examination

8907 — NAVAL EXPEDITIONARY OPERATIONS

WEEK NINETEEN – 19 January

Lesson 1: Naval Warfare

WEEK TWENTY – 26 January

Lesson 2: Historical Force Design in support of Naval Expeditionary Operations

TWENTY-ONE – 2 February

Lesson 3: Naval Expeditionary Operations From the Sea

8906 Course Close Out Due

WEEK TWENTY-TWO – 9 February

Lesson 4: Naval Expeditionary Operations To the Sea

WEEK TWENTY-THREE – 16 February

Lesson 5: Case Study: Falkland Islands

WEEK TWENTY-FOUR – 23 February

Lesson 6: Introduction to Joint Planning and Mission Analysis

WEEK TWENTY-FIVE – 2 March

Lesson 7: Joint Planning, Course of Action Development

WEEK TWENTY-SIX - 9 March

Lesson 8: Joint Planning, Course of Action Analysis and Wargaming

WEEK TWENTY-SEVEN - 16 March

Lesson 9: Joint Planning, Course of Action Comparison, Approval, and Order Development

8908 — OPERATION PLANNING

WEEK TWENTY-EIGHT - 23 March

Lesson 1: Operation Planning

WEEK TWENTY-NINE – 30 March

Lesson 2: Design and Intelligence Preparation of the Battlespace (IPB)

WEEK THIRTY – 6 April

Lesson 3: Problem Framing

8907 Course Close Out Due

WEEK THIRTY-ONE - 13 April

Lesson 4: Problem Framing Practical Exercise

WEEK THIRTY-TWO - 20 April

Lesson 5: Course of Action Development and War Game

WEEK THIRTY-THREE – 27 April

Lesson 6: Course of Action Development Practical Exercise

WEEK THIRTY-FOUR – 4 May

Lesson 7: Course of Action War Game Practical Exercise

WEEK THIRTY-FIVE – 11 May

Lesson 8: Course of Action Comparison and Decision, Orders Development, and Transition

(and Practical Exercise)

8908 Course Close Out Due 5 June