



Expeditionary Warfare School Distance Education Program (EWSDEP)

Camp Lejeune Spring Semester (February 2020 - May 2021)



Enrollment Period: 2 November 2020- 7 January 2021

Overview. The EWSDEP 8670 curriculum consists of five courses that are offered in a weekly seminar format. All courses are executed via the College of Distance Education and Training (CDET) Moodle web-based learning environment. All course material is electronic; no hard copy material is distributed. Seminar courses are conducted twice a year (Sep-Jan and Feb-May). The courses must be completed sequentially. Dual-enrollment is not allowed.

Prerequisite (EWSDEPPREQ)

8671 – Warfighting (weekly seminar)

8672 – Functional Employment of the MAGTF (weekly seminar)

8673 - MAGTF Operations (weekly seminar)

8674 – MAGTF Operations Practical Exercise (weekly seminar)

EWSDEP Takes Time to Complete... and There are No Silver Bullets. Upon completion of the 8670 Prerequisite EWSDEP consists of four sequential courses comprising a notional two year curriculum via weekly seminar. A “last minute” captain desiring to complete EWSDEP in time for an August promotion board must, at a minimum, enroll in and complete an 8671 seminar during the fall semester (Sep-Jan) in the year prior to his/her board. The student could then enroll in an 8672 seminar in the spring semester (Feb-May) of that same year then complete 8673 and 8674 in the two semesters leading up to the board. As EWSDEP is an established Marine Corps University curriculum, there is no ability to “fast-track” students in an effort to get them PME complete in time for a promotion board. For those who believe they can readily get promoted without completing company-grade PME, the facts indicate otherwise...

Transition of the EWSDEP Curriculum from the 8660 to 8670 Series: For students who are enrolled in the 8660 series but are unable to complete the curriculum prior to 30 June 2020, equivalency credit for 8660 courses will be granted as follows:

8671: must have completed 8661

8672: must have completed 8662

8673: must have completed 8664

8674: must have completed 8663.

Required Prerequisite Course. Enrollment requests for the 8670 Prerequisite Course may be submitted via MarineNet at any time (course code “EWSDEPPREQ”). Once the enrollment request has been processed by CDET, the student will receive further instructions via email regarding the establishment of an online Moodle account and the initiation of coursework. Important: CDET enrollment emails are sent to the secondary email address listed in the MarineNet profile. Prior to enrolling, students should confirm the accuracy of that email address, otherwise required course information will not be properly transmitted.

8671. The second course in the curriculum, 8671, is offered in a weekly seminar format only. A student must be 8670 complete in MarineNet in order to enroll in the 8671 course. 8671 weekly onsite seminars typically meet on a single weekday night from 1800-2100. Weekly seminar locations and times are based on student enrollments and faculty availability. Students who meet certain criteria may be eligible to enroll in an 8671 weekly online seminar (see details on the following page regarding online waivers). To enroll in 8671, contact the Camp Lejeune Regional POCs listed at the bottom of this information paper. Following MarineNet enrollment, the student will be contacted by the Camp Lejeune Regional Office with further instructions.

8672. The third course, 8672, is offered in a weekly seminar format only. A student must be 8671 complete (or currently participating in an 8671 seminar) to enroll in 8672. As with 8671, 8672 weekly onsite seminars typically meet on a single weekday night from 1800-2100. Weekly seminar locations and times are based on

student enrollments and faculty availability. Students who meet certain criteria may be eligible to enroll in an 8663 weekly online seminar (see details on the following page regarding online waivers).

8673. The fourth course, 8673, is offered in a weekly seminar format only. A student must be 8672 complete (or currently participating in an 8672 seminar) to enroll in 8673. 8672 weekly onsite seminars typically meet on a single weekday night from 1800-2100. Weekly seminar locations and times are based on student enrollments and faculty availability. Students who meet certain criteria may be eligible to enroll in an 8663 weekly online seminar (see details on the following page regarding online waivers).

8674. The final course, 8674, is offered in a weekly seminar format only. A student must be 8673 complete (or currently participating in an 8673 seminar) to enroll in 8674. 8674 weekly onsite seminar locations and times are based on student enrollments and faculty availability.

Online Waivers. Weekly online seminars for the 8671, 8672, 8673 and 8664 courses are only available under exceptional circumstances. These online seminars are “asynchronous” (i.e., students are NOT required to be online at specific times; rather, they must be able to access Moodle via the internet several times a week). Marines of any rank who meet criteria (2) or (3) below are eligible to submit waiver requests to conduct the 8671, 8672, and 8673 course in a weekly online seminar format. Marines in the rank of captain, major or CWO3 who meet criteria (1) and criteria (2) or (3) below are eligible to submit waiver requests to conduct the 8674 courses in a weekly online seminar format. The Camp Lejeune Regional Director retains sole authority for waiver approval. Students seeking to obtain an online waiver should submit their enrollment sheet directly to the Regional Chief Instructor with a detailed statement of the circumstances that will prevent them from attending a corresponding weekly onsite seminar in the “Comments” section of the form. Criteria follow:

- (1) The student is a captain or CWO3 who is "below, in, or above zone" for a pending promotion board.
- (2) The student is “geographically incapable” of attending a weekly onsite seminar. “Geographically incapable” is defined as being deployed for training or OCONUS for such a time that the student will miss greater than 25% of the scheduled seminars over a single course.
- (3) The student will execute PCS orders during the semester to a duty station that is not a “reasonable distance” from an EWSDEP onsite seminar location (a “reasonable distance” is considered less than 35 miles). This category includes reserve officers who reside and/or work outside a reasonable distance from an onsite seminar location.

EWS Blended Seminar Program → The Ticket to PME Completion in only Six Months

The EWS Blended Seminar Program (BSP) provides the opportunity for officers to complete the entire EWS program (i.e., 8671-8674) in a single six-month period. It consists of two TAD resident periods (four weeks and six weeks) at Camp Lejeune on either side of a 12-week online non-resident period. The BSP is offered in July-December and January-June iterations. Prospective EWS BSP students must complete the 8670 Prerequisite prior to applying for all EWSBSP classes. For EWS BSP enrollment information, contact Major Will Grimball @ William.grimball1@usmc.mil or 910-451-8463.

The Regional Office will start accepting enrollment requests for all spring semester seminars on 1 July 2020. The enrollment period will end on 20 August 2020. Enrollment forms received following the last day of enrollment will be placed in a wait list.

Questions regarding the enrollment process should be directed to the Regional Office Administrative & Training Support Specialist, Mrs. Sarah Burton, at (910) 451-9309 or sarah.burton.ctr@usmc.mil.

Questions regarding EWSDEP course progression and online waivers should be directed to the Regional Chief Instructor (RCI), Mr. Jim Parrington, at (910) 451-4796 or parringtonj@davisdefense.com.