



## **Expeditionary Warfare School Distance Education Program (EWSDEP)**

Camp Lejeune Spring Semester (29 January – 17 May 2024)

**Enrollment Period: 1 November 2023 – 4 January 2024**



**Overview.** The EWSDEP 8670 curriculum consists of a prerequisite course on MarineNet and four courses offered in a seminar format. All seminars are executed via the College of Distance Education and Training (CDET) Moodle learning management system. All course material is electronic; no hard copy material is distributed. Seminar courses are conducted via a set schedule twice a year in the fall (Sep-Jan) and spring (Jan-May) semesters. The courses must be completed sequentially, one class per semester. EWSDEP will take at least two years to complete.

- EWSDEPPREQ – Prerequisite (MarineNet Self-paced Course)
- 8671 – Warfighting (weekly seminar)
- 8672 – Functional Employment of the MAGTF (weekly seminar)
- 8673 – Expeditionary Operations (weekly seminar)
- 8674 – MAGTF Operations Practical Exercise (weekly seminar)

**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 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. **Completion of the prerequisite course is required to enroll in a weekly seminar!**

**Onsite Seminar:** This is the default method for completing a course. Seminars meet in-person, one night a week (typically Mon-Thur), from 1800-2100 (EST/EDT). Final locations, day, and time are based on student enrollment and faculty availability. Students at MCAS New River may be required to attend a seminar at Camp Lejeune or vice versa. Students at MCAS Beaufort may be required to attend a seminar at MCRD Parris Island or vice versa.

**Virtual (Onsite) Seminar:** Weekly virtual seminars are available under **exceptional** circumstances or when enrollment in your local area is too low to establish an onsite seminar. Seminars meet virtually (normally Adobe Connect), one night a week (typically Tue-Thur), from 1800-2100 (EST/EDT). Final day and time are based on student enrollment and faculty availability. This method offers students who are geographically separated, or in areas with low enrollment, the ability to participate in a synchronous seminar in which students and the instructor can communicate in real time. Do not confuse this with an online seminar. Students who have known absences (TAD, medical, exercises, etc.) causing them to miss four or more onsite seminars who will have internet connectivity and the ability to participate at the scheduled time can request enrollment in a virtual seminar. Additionally, students who are PCSing during the semester can request a virtual seminar. Students requesting enrollment in a virtual seminar must provide justification for not participating in an onsite seminar in the comments section of the enrollment form. This would be more than four known absences with specific dates that apply to you and not generally to your unit. These must be known dates and not because you “might deploy or go TAD” as all Marines might deploy and go TAD.

**Online Seminar:** Weekly online seminars are only available under **exceptional** circumstances. These online seminars are asynchronous (students are NOT required to be online at specific times; rather, they must have access to Moodle and follow a scheduled weekly battle rhythm). Online seminars are instructor led and follow the same semester schedule as onsite and virtual seminars. Students who have known events (OCONUS deployment, MEU, long exercise like WTI or LSE, etc.) causing them to miss more than four onsite seminars who will have internet connectivity can request enrollment in an online seminar. Additionally,

students who are PCSing during the semester can request an online seminar. Students requesting enrollment in an online seminar must provide justification for not participating in an onsite seminar in the comments section of the enrollment form. This would be more than four known absences with specific dates that apply to you and not generally to your unit. These must be known dates and not because you “might deploy or go TAD” as all Marines might deploy and go TAD. The Camp Lejeune Regional Director retains sole authority for online waiver approval.

The Regional Office will start accepting enrollment requests for all spring semester seminars on 1 November 2023. The enrollment period will end on 4 January 2024. Enrollment forms received following the last day of enrollment will be placed on the wait list.

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

Questions regarding EWSDEP course progression and online waivers should be directed to the Regional Chief Instructor (RCI), Mr. John Krysa, at (910) 787-1788 or [john.krysa.ctr@usmcu.edu](mailto:john.krysa.ctr@usmcu.edu).

**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 the Camp Lejeune Regional Director, Mr. Marc Riccio, @marc.riccio@usmc.mil or 910-451-0282