

## **PAJE JPME Accreditation – Roles and Responsibilities**

Functional Lead: VPAA

Division: Academic Support Division (ASD)

Responsible Office: PME Policy Section

Ref: (a) CJCSI 1800.01F, Officer Professional Military Education Policy, 15 May 2020

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide Marine Corps University (MCU) personnel with an overview of the requirements for maintaining Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) accreditation and define roles and responsibilities in carrying out those requirements.

2. Background. The reference establishes the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff policy for JPME and requirements for the Process for Accreditation of Joint Education (PAJE). Unlike regional accreditation for its degrees, JPME accreditation is applicable to specific programs rather than MCU as an institution.

a. MCU's PAJE accredited programs are:

- (1) JPME, Phase I: Resident and Distance Command and Staff College (CSC) programs;
- (2) JPME, Phase II: Marine Corps War College (MCWAR).

b. MCU also participates in various Joint Education Committees and Working Groups:

- (1) Military Education Coordination Council (MECC)
- (2) MECC Working Group (WG)
- (3) MECC Distance Education Coordination Committee (DECC)
- (4) Joint Faculty Education Conference
- (5) Joint Leader Development Council Working Group

### **3. Policy**

a. Roles

- (1) The President, MCU represents MCU at the MECC.
- (2) The Vice President for Academic Affairs (VPAA) exercises functional oversight and tasking authority for MCU's PAJE compliance efforts. VPAA is the MCU representative to the MECC WG, and represents MCU at the MECC in the absence of the President, MCU.

(3) The Director, MCWAR will ensure that MCWAR continually meets JPME Phase II requirements, submits required reports, and is lead planner for, and executor of, JPME Phase II accreditation efforts. The Director is a member of the MECC. The Dean, MCWAR is a member of the MECC WG.

(4) The Directors, CSC and College of Distance Education and Training (CDET), respectively, will ensure that resident CSC and distanceCSC programs continually meet JPME Phase I requirements, submit required reports, and are co-lead planners for, and executors of, JPME Phase I accreditation effort requirements.

(a) The Director, CSC is a member of the MECC.

(b) The Dean, CSC is a member of the MECC WG

(c) The Dean and Associate Dean for CSCDEP, CDET are members of the DECC.

(5) All MCU elements are in support of PAJE requirements, as applicable. Directors, MCWAR, CSC, and CDET are authorized direct liaison with MCU programs and staff sections for PAJE support requirements. Issues regarding the necessity or sufficiency of requested support will be referred to VPAA for resolution.

(6) Directors, MCWAR, CSC, and CDET (CSCDEPs) will ensure that their faculties and staff participate on PAJE team reviews of other JPME institutions and programs as part of their professional service requirements.

#### 4. Procedures

a. PAJE, the MECC, the MECC WG, and DECC activities are coordinated by the J-7 Joint Education Division (JED). The MECC typically meets twice each Academic Year, in the fall and spring, preceded by meetings of the MECC WG.

b. Reports required by the reference will be routed to the President, MCU for information via VPAA (ASD) prior to submission to JED.

#### Related Policies and Forms:

Accreditation Working Group

SACSCOC Accreditation Roles and Responsibilities

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