



# MCU ALUMNI



NEWSLETTER



**WELCOME TO THIS QUARTER'S ALUMNI PROGRAM NEWSLETTER. WE CONTINUE TO CELEBRATE THE 250<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARINE CORPS WITH MANY EVENTS SCHEDULED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE MARINE CORPS, INCLUDING THE USMC 250 LECTURE SERIES.**

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

**CSC STUDENT, MAJOR DAVE CHRISTOPHERSON WAS RECOGNIZED FOR HIS COMPANY'S DONATION TO THE MCU MARINE CORPS BALL IN NOVEMBER BY LTCOL JIM PINEIRO FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS.**



## SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT: EWS

235 STUDENTS FROM EXPEDITIONARY WARFARE GRADUATED ON 7 MAY 2026.

22 OF THE GRADUATES WERE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND 48 GRADUATES WERE DISTINGUISHED GRADUATES.

CONGRATULATIONS EWS STUDENTS!



## SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT: MCWAR & CSC

SEVEN MCWAR AND TWO COMMAND AND STAFF STUDENTS COMPETED IN ARMY WAR COLLEGE STRATEGY COMPETITION FROM 22-25 APRIL.

ONE TEAM MADE THE FINALS AND FINISHED SECOND OVERALL. THERE WERE 23 TOTAL TEAMS (WAR COLLEGES, SERVICE ACADEMIES, CIVILIAN GRAD SCHOOLS) IN THE COMPETITION.



## OVERVIEW OF THE IMS NEXT PROGRAM BY DR. PAUL GELPI AND LTCOL KIERAN O'NEIL

In Academic Year 2025-2026, 67 international military officers were students at Marine Corps University with 22 at Expeditionary Warfare School, 36 at Command and Staff College, four at the School of Advanced Warfighting, and five at the War College. All the international students participated in their respective schools' travel programs and organized cultural experiences, as well as informal cultural immersion with their classmates. This academic year, the university launched a new, enhanced education program for its international students, as part of the Marine Corps University/Education Command IMS Next initiative. As part of this, the CSC international students took a week-long trip to Texas where they visited aerospace and technology companies in Houston and Dallas, as well as immersed themselves in American culture. Additionally, MCWAR and CSC international students were hosted at a QTS/CoreWeave data center in East Windsor, New Jersey while EWS international students were hosted at an Amazon Fulfillment Center in Baltimore, Maryland. Several distinguished IMS alumni, now in command and senior staff positions, returned to CSC to speak with the students and faculty. Marine Corps University, as well, hosted an attaché wargame which brought together current IMS, alumni, and their nation's defense attachés in Washington, DC. This summer, Marine Corps University will unveil the International Alumni Hall of Honor, which will honor our international alumni and showcase their accomplishments.



STUDENTS AT THE AMAZON FULFILLMENT CENTER



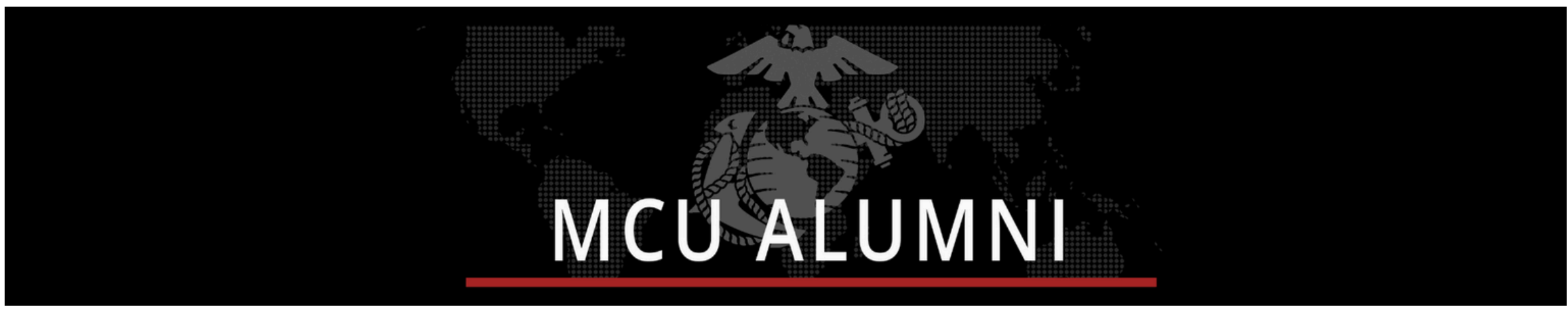
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ATTACHÉ WARGAME



STUDENTS AT SHIELD AI IN FRONT OF THE X-BAT AIRCRAFT



## NEWS

**EARLIER THIS MONTH, CSC AND EWS STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN THE ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL STUDENT VS U.S. STUDENT SOCCER GAME.**

**IN THE EWS GAME, U.S. WON 9-2, CSC IMS BEAT THE U.S. IN A 2-0 GAME.**



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MARINE CORPS UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION IS NOW PARTNERING WITH MARINE CORPS UNIVERSITY TO LAUNCH THE MCU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF THE FOUNDATION, THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WILL BE THE GATHERING SITE WHERE STUDENTS AND ALUMNI STRENGTHEN THEIR CONNECTION WITH EACH OTHER AND TO MCU. REGISTER NOW AT [MCUALUMNI.COM](http://MCUALUMNI.COM)



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