

EDUCATING MARINES TO PREVAIL IN COMBAT



Marine Corps University

Academic Year 2025 Command Brief

Our Mission



Marine Corps University/Education Command educates Marines to prevail in combat.



Our Values

Heritage

Upholding our legacy as an elite fighting force, we preserve and present the history of the United States Marine Corps to our successors and the public.



Generals Lejeune and Williams study the Civil War with Antietam veterans.

Innovation

We educate Marines to be pioneers and lifelong learners of critical thinking, collaboration, initiative, and leadership.



LtCol Radigan prints a medical cast aboard an MV-22 Osprey from Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 164.

Decisiveness

Highly disciplined in planning, decision-making, and execution, we develop Marines to deliver timely, relevant, and compelling solutions to complex problems.



General Dunford briefs the President of the United States.



Our Vision

Be the premier institution where warfighters explore history's lessons, integrate novel technology, and emerge as the most capable, sought-after leaders in the ever-evolving landscape of conflict. We are dedicated to fostering a culture of continuous professional military education, strategic thinking, and excellence, equipping our graduates to face future challenges with resilience and to lead with unwavering honor, courage, and commitment.



GEN ALFRED M. GRAY

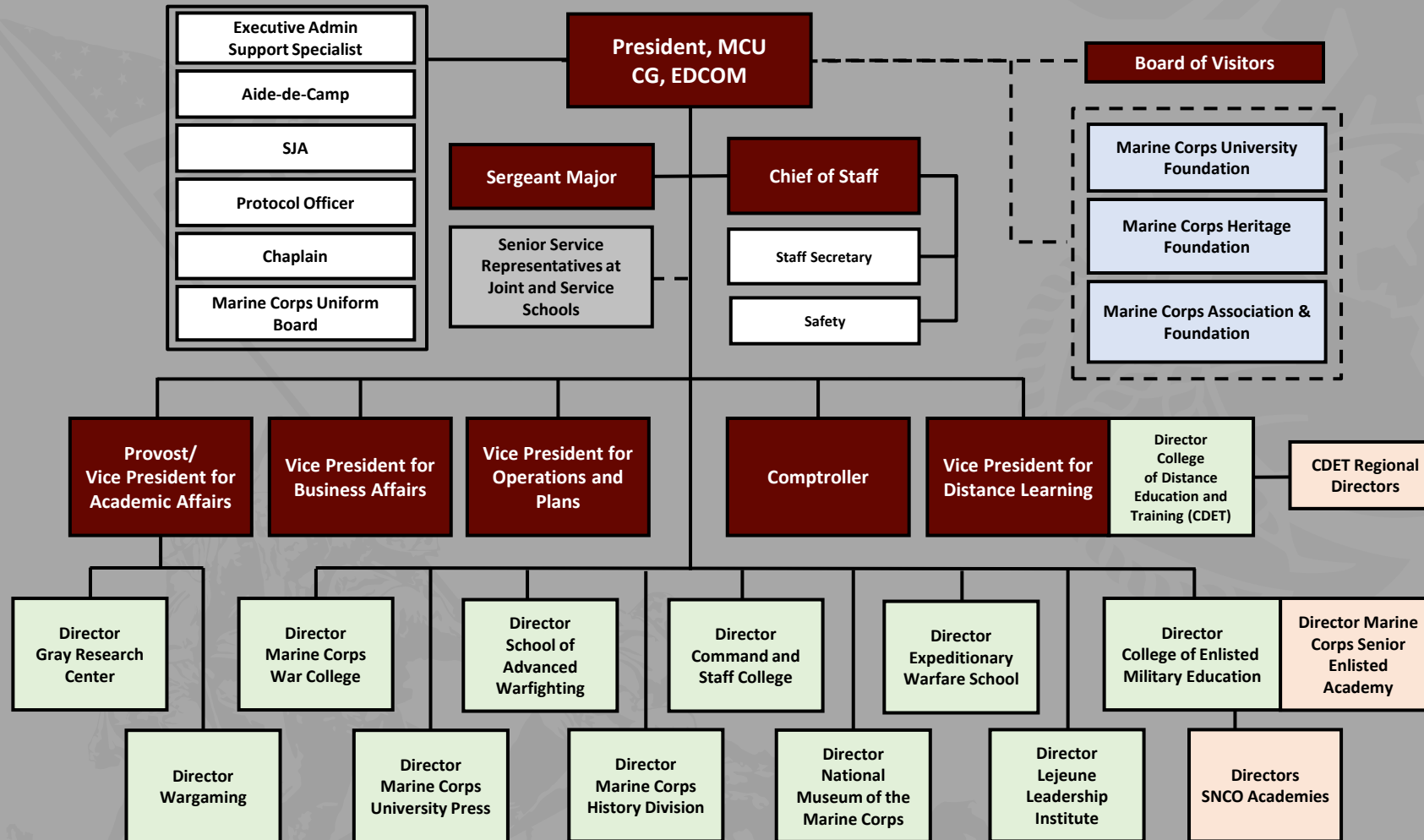
Founded in 1989 by **General Alfred M. Gray**, MCU builds on a legacy dating back to World War I, emphasizing education for Marine leaders.

With a focus on maneuver warfare and adaptability, MCU remains committed to developing critical thinking, creativity, and military judgment in leaders to meet future challenges in the ever-evolving operating environment.

General Gray's vision and commitment to education continue to shape MCU's mission.



Organization



Global Coverage



Professional Military Education Community Snapshot

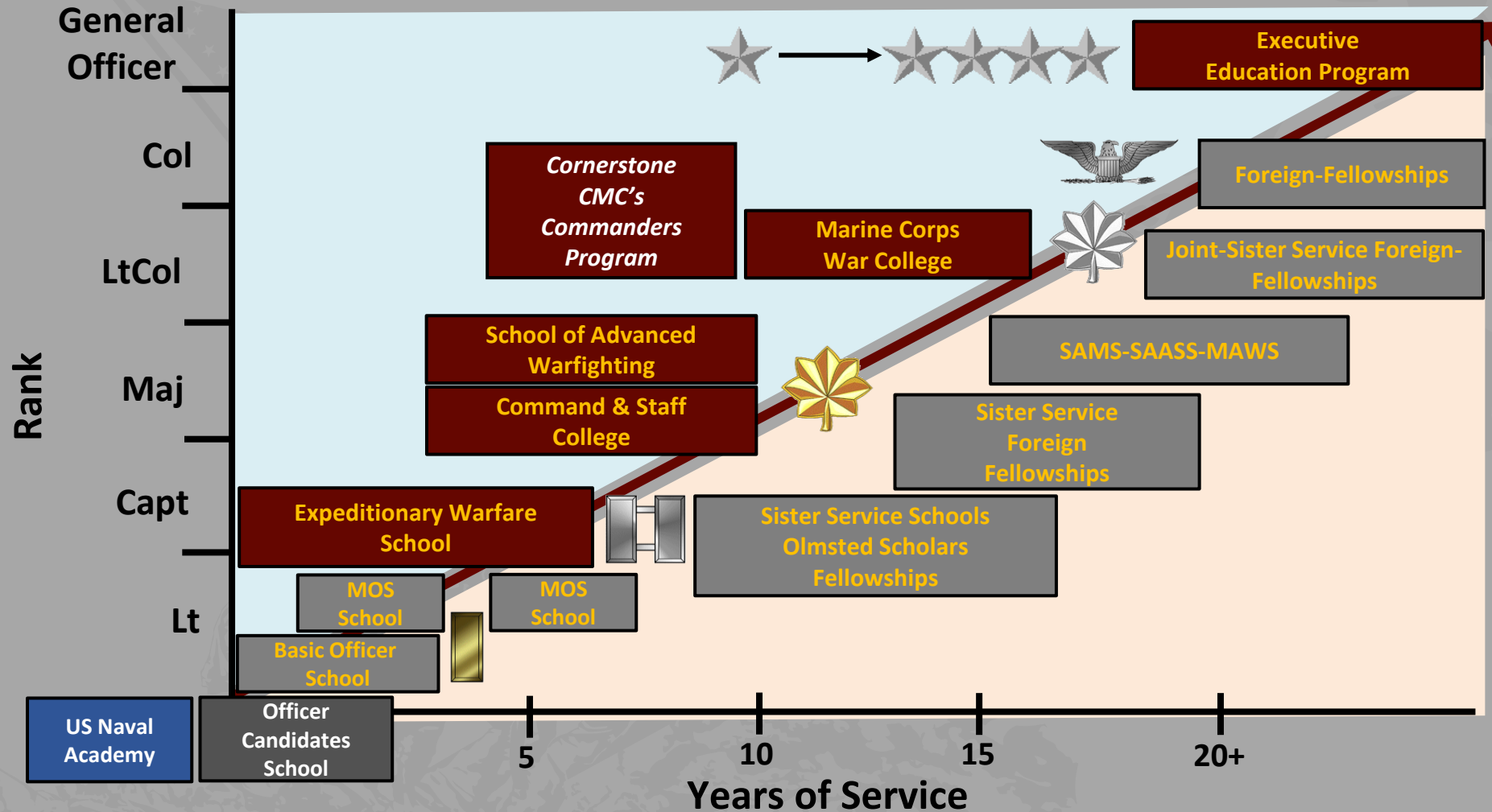
Officer PME Students Enrolled	
MCWAR (Resident)	28
CSC (Resident)	202
CSC (Distance)	788
CSC (Blended)	83
SAW (Resident)	26
EWS (Resident)	229
EWS (Distance)	2,652
EWS (Blended)	128
RSSC (Resident)	30
Foreign PME (Resident)	26
TOTAL	4,192

MCU Faculty	
Civilian Faculty	52
Military Faculty	184
CDET Faculty	351
TOTAL	587

Enlisted PME Students Enrolled	
Leading Marines Prerequisite (Distance)	6,696
Corporals Course Prerequisite (Distance)	11,145
Sergeants School Prerequisite (Distance)	4,822
Sergeants School Seminar (Distance)	583
Sergeants School (Resident)	3,236
Career School Prerequisite (Distance)	2,898
Career School Seminar (Distance)	426
Career School (Resident)	1,231
Advanced School Prerequisite (Distance)	1,996
Advanced School Seminar (Distance)	269
Advanced School (Resident)	852
First Sergeants School (Resident)	236
Cornerstone	195
TOTAL	34,585



Officer Professional Military Education Continuum



Resident Officer Professional Military Education Demographics

	USMC	USMCR	USA	USAF	USN	USSF	USCG	IMS	CIV	TOTAL
MCWAR	11	1	4	3	2	1	0	3	3	28
CSC	92	7	20	17	14	3	1	38	10	202
SAW	18	1	1	2	0	0	1	3	0	26
EWS	157	3	23	15	2	1	0	23	0	224
	283	12	48	37	18	5	2	67	13	485

Civilian Students:

MCWAR: DoS (2), DIA

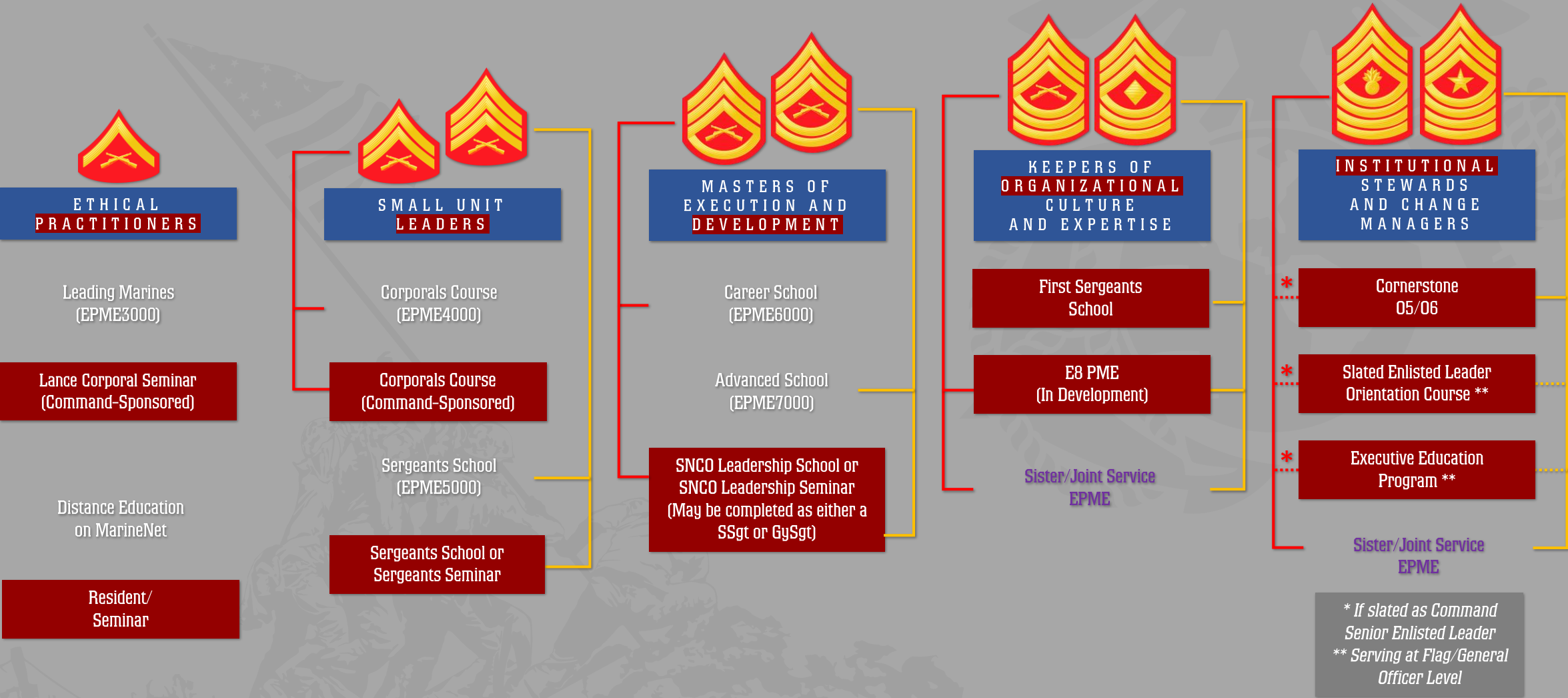
CSC: DoS (5), DIA, NGIA, CD&I, USAID, MARCORSYSCOM.

International Military Students (IMS):

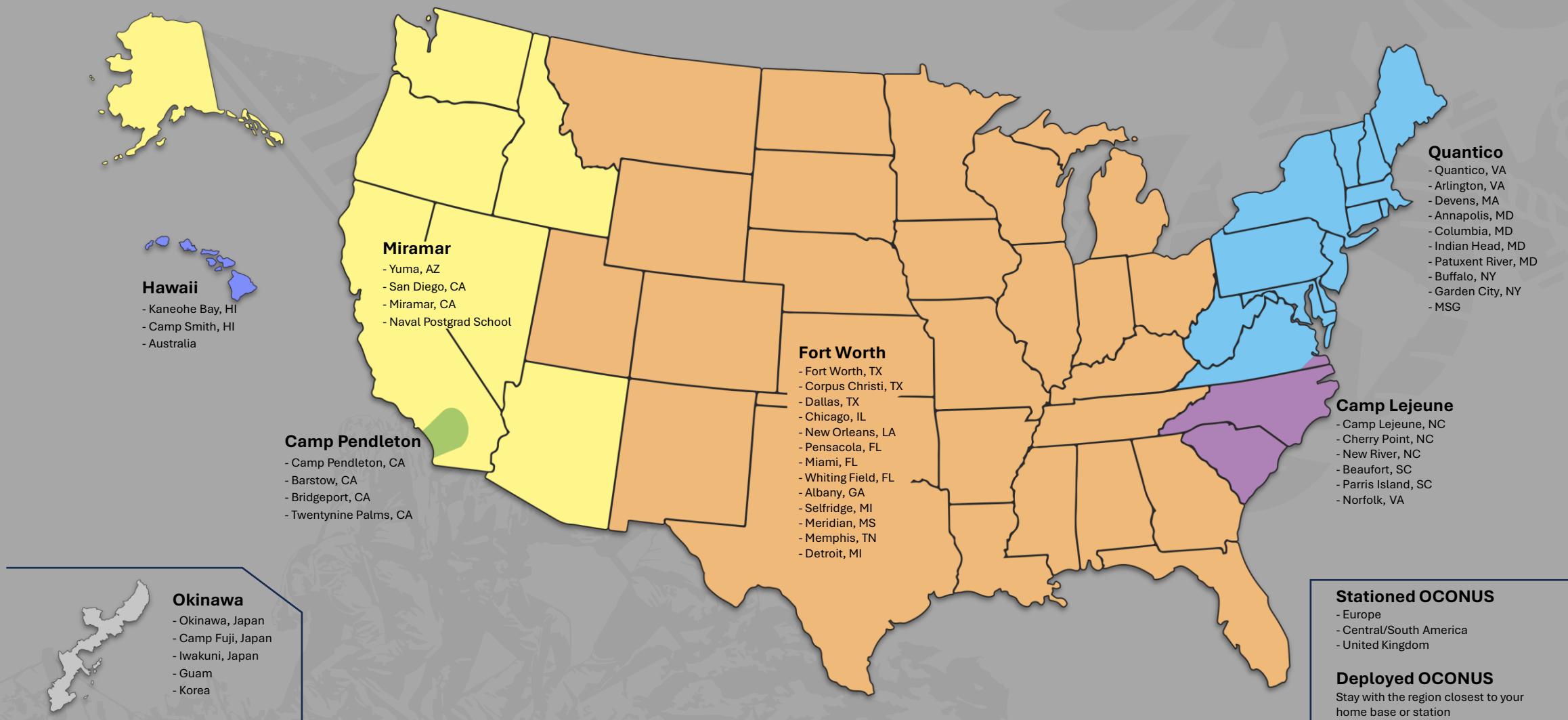
Angola, Argentina, Australia, Bahrain, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Croatia, Fiji, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, India, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Korea, Kuwait, Malawi, Malaysia, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Philippines, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Spain, Taiwan, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, Ukraine.



Enlisted Professional Military Education Continuum



Distance PME Areas of Responsibility



Marine Corps History Division

Collects, preserves, and presents historical information to inform decision-making, support research, and promote Marine Corps history.

Supported Agencies/ Target Audiences

1. *HQMC, Marines, and Marine Corps units.*
2. *Congress and other USG agencies*
3. *The American Public*

Priorities

Improve unit compliance with command chronology requirements to ensure critical USMC historical records are captured in the archive.

Digitize and develop remote public access to archival collections

Produce definitive histories on OIF and OEF

Archives Branch

- 95% of records declassified - available to all researchers
- Holdings estimated 20M pages, >4M photographs, 30K maps.
- >2M digitized record pages and photographs (90% of all Command Chronologies)
- Answers 6,000 RFIs annually

Field History Branch

- Reserve Individual Mobilization Augmentees
- HD's "forward presence" with MEFs and operating units
- Collects "real time" records and oral histories, contributes written products

Histories Branch

- Researches and writes official operational and institutional history
- Multi-volume series; commemoratives, monographs, battle studies, etc.
- Collects oral histories, focusing on general officers



National Museum of the Marine Corps

Preserving our past, influencing the present, inspiring the future

- Marine Corps Heritage Center
 - 135-acre campus
 - National Museum of the Marine Corps (accredited by the American Alliance of Museums)
 - Semper Fidelis Memorial Chapel
 - Semper Fidelis Memorial Park
 - Children's Playground
- ~400,000 visitors, 50,000+ in person students, 13,500+ distance learning students per year
- Supports PMEs, promotions, retirements, weddings, funerals, conferences, and more
- Monthly family days, 2d Saturday art workshop, concerts, and more
- 250,000 fans/followers across six social media platforms and 18,000+ website visits/month
- 45 GS employees, 5 Marines, ~20 special assistants, 2 teachers in residence, 250+ docents



Questions



"In tactics, the most important thing is not whether you go left or right, but why you go left or right."
—A. M. Gray

