List of Officer PME Student Awards

ABCA Armies Program Staff College Award: (School of Advanced Warfighting (SAW) or CSC)) Awarded to the best paper on the topic of coalition interoperability.

Awards for Academic Excellence (3): (MCWAR) Awarded in recognition of superior leadership qualities and academic performance.

Brigadier A. W. Hammett Award: (CSC) Awarded in honor of Brigadier Anthony W. Hammett, AM, Royal Australian Regiment for the most outstanding research paper by an international military student on a subject of value to his country.

Colonel Bevan G. Cass Award (1st and 2nd place): (CSC) Awarded in honor of Colonel Bevan G. Cass, U.S. Marine Corps to the best paper on a topic concerned with the profession of arms bearing directly on the Marine Corps.

Colonel Franklin Brooke Nihart Award: (CSC) Awarded in memory of Colonel Franklin Brook Nihart, U.S. Marine Corps, Retired, for the best Master of Military Studies paper by a USMC infantry officer.

Culture in Military Operations Writing Award: (All Schools) To encourage students at the 10-month schools to research topics pertaining to the influence of culture on military operations and (2) to recognize exceptional papers at the MCU commencement via a Culture in Military Operations writing award. The Award description is as follows: "Presented to an MCU student for superior research and writing on the influence of culture on military operations, planning, and decision-making or critical social science challenges in national security affairs."

Foreign Area Officer Award for International Affairs: (MCWAR and CSC) Awarded for the best paper demonstrating academic research, strategic-thought, and professional writing skills on international affairs and related intelligence issues.

General Clifton B. Cates Award (1st and 2nd): (SAW) Awarded in honor of General Clifton B. Cates, U.S. Marine Corps, the nineteenth Commandant of the Marine Corps, for sustained demonstration of problem-solving capabilities far exceeding military experience.

Joint Service Planner Award: (MCWAR and SAW) Awarded for the best paper on the topic of future and/or joint fighting.

Krulak Center Award for Creativity: (MCWAR, SAW, CSC and EWS) Presented to the student that best embodies the spirit and creativity of LtGen Brute Krulak. This student continually challenged instructors as well as their fellow students with their "out of the box" thinking and consistently presented novel, imaginative and unique contributions to the class discussions, planning exercises and writing assignments.

Lieutenant General Edward W. Snedeker Award: (CSC) Awarded in honor of Lieutenant General Edward W. Snedeker, U.S. Marine Corps, Retired, for the best paper suitable for publication in a professional journal on a topic related to command and control, communications, information systems or intelligence.

Lieutenant General John A. Lejeune Award: (CSC) Awarded in memory of General John A. Lejeune, U.S. Marine Corps, Retired, thirteenth Commandant of the Marine Corps, for the best paper on a military topic.

Lieutenant General P. K. Van Riper Writing Award: (MCWAR) Awarded for the paper determined to be most suitable for publication in a professional journal.

Streusand-Cooper Award: (CSC) Awarded in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Alan L. Streusand and Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Francis L. "Gus" Cooper for the best paper on information and operations or information as an instrument of national power.

William J. "Wild Bill" Donovan Intelligence Writing Award: (MCWAR, SAW or CSC) Awarded for the most outstanding paper on intelligence or an intelligence-related topic.

Women, Peace and Security (All schools) Presented to a student who best demonstrates critical thought and the creativity focused on United States Strategy, the international strategy as proposed by the UN, or the value of a gendered perspective relating to conflict prevention and resolution.

Expeditionary Warfare School

Captain Larry K. Shipman Memorial Award

Presented in honor of Captain Larry K. Shipman, USMC, by the Marine Corps Association and Foundation to the outstanding Ground Combat Element student.

Colonel Donald G. Cook Memorial Award

Presented in honor of Colonel Donald G. Cook, USMC, by the Armed Forces Communications and Electronic Association Education Foundation to the outstanding Communications student.

First Lieutenant Harry L. Martin Memorial Award

Presented in honor of First Lieutenant Harry L. Martin, USMC, by the Marine Corps Engineer Association to the outstanding Marine Engineer student.

General Roy S. Geiger Award

Presented in honor of General Roy S. Geiger, USMC, by the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation to the student who demonstrates overall student leadership.

Intelligence Award

Presented by the Marine Corps Intelligence Association to the outstanding Intelligence student.

International Military Student Officer Award

Presented by the Marine Corps University Foundation to the international military student who best demonstrates overall excellence.

Iron Marine Award

Presented to each of the male and female students who achieve the highest composite score of the physical fitness test and the combat fitness test.

Lieutenant Colonel Earl H. "Pete" Ellis Award

Presented in honor of Lieutenant Colonel Earl H. Ellis, USMC by the Marine Corps Association and Foundation for critical warfighting discipline student leadership.

Lieutenant Colonel Robert J. Johnson, Jr. Memorial Award

Presented in honor of Lieutenant Colonel Robert J. Johnson, Jr., USMC, by the Marine Corps Aviation Association to the outstanding Aviation Combat Element (ACE) student.

Major Walter M. Murphy Memorial Award

Presented in honor of Major Walter M. Murphy, USMC, by the Marine Corps Association and Foundation to the outstanding Logistics Combat Element student.

Rapicault Memorial Award

Presented in memory of Captain Patrick Rapicault, USMC, by the Marine Corps Gazette to the international military student who has written the best paper in EWS.

Yeosock Memorial Award

Presented in memory of Lieutenant General John J. Yeosock, USA, by the Marine Corps Gazette to sister service student who has written the best paper in EWS