USNA INSTRUCTION 1530.1E

From: Superintendent, U.S. Naval Academy

Subj: U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY MIDSHIPMAN SUMMER TRAINING PROGRAM

Ref: (a) OPNAVNOTE 1530
     (b) OPNAVINST 1530.8A
     (c) NSTC M-1533.5
     (d) USNAINST 1531.49B
     (e) COMDTMIDNINST 3120.1Q
     (f) Officer Professional Core Competencies Manual

Encl: (1) Summer Training Continuum
      (2) 3/C Summer Training Matrix
      (3) 2/C Summer Training Matrix
      (4) 1/C Summer Training Matrix

1. Purpose. To issue policy and guidelines and set priorities for the Summer Training Program at the U.S. Naval Academy (USNA). This instruction supplements references (a), (b), and (c) and provides the necessary guidance for implementing the Summer Training Program.

2. Cancellation. USNAINST 1530.1D

3. Scope and Applicability. All personnel assigned to USNA shall familiarize themselves with the Summer Training Program regulations and policies listed in references (a) through (f).

4. Objectives. The objectives of USNA’s Summer Training are to:

   a. Familiarize midshipmen with operational naval forces.
   
   b. Further the professional development of midshipmen.
   
   c. Provide hands on leadership experience for 1/C, 2/C, and 3/C Midshipmen.
   
   d. Further incline midshipmen towards careers in the Navy or Marine Corps.
   
   e. Stimulate regional and cultural awareness.
   
   f. In concert with academic requirements, form a cohesive four-year training continuum and
accomplish the Professional Core Competencies (PCC). Summer Training events are specifically sequenced into the Naval Academy four-year education and training plan with the intention of reinforcing the lessons learned in the classroom, on the athletic field, and during daily experiences in Bancroft Hall.

g. Meet requirements for commissioning in accordance with reference (b) and (d).

5. Organization and Authority

a. The Superintendent shall establish the overall policy for conducting midshipmen Summer Training.

b. The Commandant of Midshipmen is responsible for implementing and coordinating midshipmen Summer Training.

c. The Deputy Commandant for Professional Development (PRODEV) is responsible for supervising the scheduling and execution of midshipmen Summer Training.

d. The Training Officer is responsible for synchronizing and scheduling midshipmen Summer Training programs and ensuring that qualified officers, instructors, and Midshipmen Liaison Officers are assigned to support midshipmen Summer Training.

6. Requirements. Per reference (b), all midshipmen must complete at least one of the following cruises in order to be eligible for graduation and commissioning:

a. Surface cruise

b. Submarine cruise

c. Aviation cruise

d. Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) cruise

e. Leatherneck training with 2 week MAGTF cruise (Note: MAGTF generally only assigned if another cruise is not available)

f. Special Warfare (SPECWAR) cruise

g. Foreign Exchange cruise

7. Policy

a. 4/C Summer Training

(1) Beginning with Plebe Summer, fourth class midshipmen are indoctrinated into
USNA’s culture and military life. This is a critical first step on the path towards graduation and commissioning. Among the myriad training events conducted during Plebe Summer, they are introduced to the culture of the sea and receive basic seamanship and nautical training. This includes hands-on experience on both individually manned and multi-crewed sailboats.

(2) Reference (e) outlines the conduct of Plebe Summer Training.

b. 3/C, 2/C, and 1/C Summer Training (enclosures 1 through 4)

(1) Fleet cruises

(a) 3/C Midshipmen (“Indoctrination”). Professional Training of Midshipmen (PROTRAMID) is a four-week program that introduces midshipmen to the mission, tasks, requirements, and equipment of the aviation (one week), surface warfare (one week), submarine (one week), and Marine Corps (one week) communities. The exposure to the Navy and Marine Corps team enables midshipmen to make well-informed decisions about future career options.

(b) 2/C Midshipmen (“Education”). The 2/C cruise onboard a surface ship or submarine provides midshipmen a snapshot of a “day in the life” of Fleet personnel. This opportunity allows midshipmen to experience the lives of the men and women they will eventually have the privilege to lead after commissioning. In addition to exposing midshipmen to operational naval forces, the cruise reinforces the lessons of leadership and followership learned during their Plebe and Youngster years.

(c) 1/C Midshipmen (“Immersion”). The 1/C warfare cruise is the capstone of USNA’s maritime and leadership training. Midshipmen prepare for the privilege to lead Sailors and Marines by acting as division officers in training and interacting with a Wardroom and Chief’s Mess. This cruise also helps midshipmen confirm their expectations about warfare community preferences. Warfare cruise options are surface, submarine, aviation, IWC, EOD, SPECWAR cruise, Cyber and Intelligence programs, Leatherneck, or, under extenuating circumstances, Marine Air-Ground Task Force (MAGTF) training. Accordingly, midshipmen should select a warfare cruise that reflects their future career desires. Midshipmen who are still uncertain about their warfare community preferences are encouraged to select a cruise of their second or third choice community to gain broader exposure to that community.

Note: MAGTF will only be considered a cruise when there is a shortage of traditional options. That determination will be made by the Deputy Commandant for Professional Development at the recommendation of the Training Officer. In all other cases, it will be considered a Professional Training Event (PTE).

(2) In addition to a Fleet cruise, all 3/C, 2/C, and 1/C Midshipmen will complete an approved PTE as delineated in enclosures (1) through (4). These PTEs include but are not limited to the following and may be limited to specific classes:

(a) Naval Academy Instructional Details (NAPS Detail, Plebe Detail, etc.)
(b) Naval Academy Summer Seminar (NASS)

(c) Language, Regional Experience, and Culture (LREC) – International Programs Office cognizance

(d) Powered Flight Program (PFP)

(e) Small Craft training (YP and Sailing)

(f) Enhanced Submarine training event (SUBTRAMID)

(g) Foreign Exchange (FOREX) and Tall Ship cruises

(h) Fleet Schools (e.g. Dive School, Air Assault, Airborne, and Mountain Warfare)

(i) Academic Internships

(j) Mandatory Summer School (MSS)

(k) Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Detail

(i) Cyber and Intelligence programs

(j) EOD and Special Warfare

8. Guidelines and Business Rules

a. Fleet Cruises

(1) Given that the primary objective of Summer Training is to expose midshipmen to operational naval forces and to observe the Sailors and Marines they will lead, every midshipman will be assigned to a Fleet cruise each summer.

(2) Prior enlisted midshipmen who have operational Fleet cruise experience that is comparable to or exceeds the typical four-week cruise may request PRODEV’s approval to participate in another training event in lieu of a 2/C cruise only. Special request forms will include an annotation of warfare qualification (if attained), dates of enlisted service, and a list of enlisted assignments and specialty/Military Occupational Specialty.

(3) Should a midshipman complete less than 10 days of a 2/C cruise due to emergency leave or personal injury, the midshipman’s chain of command will consider if a make-up cruise is required during the 2/C Academic Year or during the follow-on first class summer.
b. Leave

(1) Midshipmen will typically be scheduled for one block (28 days) of leave. The leave period need not be consecutive days, although a block of consecutive days is preferable.

(2) In some circumstances, an individual training plan may necessitate less than two weeks (14 days) or greater than five weeks (35 days) of leave. Approval authority for those cases rests with the Commandant of Midshipmen. The Superintendent shall be notified of all Summer Training plans with less than two weeks (14 days) or greater than five weeks (35 days) of leave.

(3) Voluntary participation in faculty or staff-approved summer programs taken in lieu of leave (e.g. additional cruise/PTE, voluntary summer school, cheer camp) shall be counted as leave for the purposes of this requirement.

c. Academic Summer School

(1) Mandatory Summer School may be assigned to academically deficient midshipmen by the Academic Dean and Provost. One or more summer blocks will be assigned to summer school to ensure midshipmen remain on track for graduation. In these instances:

(a) One block of leave will still be scheduled to the maximum extent possible.

(b) Midshipmen will only be assigned a second academic summer school block as directed by the Academic Board or as established by their academic success track. Such midshipmen will be notified by the Academic Dean after the list is approved each May.

(c) Midshipmen assigned to two blocks of MSS will still be expected to complete their appropriate Fleet cruise. These midshipmen will be given priority assignment for Block 0 cruises.

(2) Midshipmen can voluntarily attend summer school to improve their grades or complete additional courses provided they complete a Fleet cruise and another approved PTE. Voluntary summer school courses must be taken in lieu of leave.

d. Varsity Athletics

(1) Varsity athletics will not count as a summer PTE. The only exception is the Varsity Offshore Sailing Team (VOST).

(2) Fall athletes assigned to an NCAA-sanctioned practice period in Block 3 will be given priority assignment for Block 0 and Block 1 cruises.

(3) Spring athletes participating in Block 0 or Block 1 competitions will be given priority cruise assignments for Block 2 and Block 3 cruises.
(4) If a midshipman is assigned two MSS periods and an NCAA-sanctioned practice period, the midshipman’s chain of command shall consider how to maximize his or her assignment to an Academic Year cruise or PROTRAMID-like events.

e. Academic Internships

(1) Only internships approved by the Superintendent’s Review Panel (SRP) (this includes the Bowman Scholarship Program and medical internships) will satisfy the PTE intention. If not approved by the SRP, the “internship” will not be scheduled.

(2) Each internship must have the endorsement of a Naval Academy faculty member who serves as the internship coordinator. The faculty endorsement is viewed as credible evidence that the internship has educational merit, quality, and relevance to the midshipman’s professional development. The Training Officer will not approve a Summer Training plan with a non-endorsed “internship” that has not been SRP-approved. The Training Officer will not approve a Summer Training plan with an internship component that has not been recommended for the midshipman by the faculty internship coordinator.

(3) Each approved internship has eligibility requirements such as academic major, courses completed, and class year group. Midshipmen who apply and meet the eligibility requirements of an internship and are then selected by the faculty internship coordinator to participate will do so on approved travel orders.

(4) Internships are sponsored by the Academic Dean and are coordinated through individual departments. In order to be eligible for an internship, midshipmen should seek out eligibility requirements for specific internships and complete the application material. The Academic Dean, via the USNA Internship Coordinator and the Cyber and Intel program leads, will provide a list of selected midshipmen to the Training Officer for Summer Training scheduling considerations.

f. Cyber and Intelligence Programs

(1) Formally part of the Academic Internship program, there are a number of cyber and intelligence programs available to gain Fleet experience and further academic knowledge for upper class midshipmen. For 1/C midshipmen, selection to a cyber or intelligence program may count as a Fleet cruise. In all other cases, these programs will be considered PTEs.

(2) Only programs approved by the Superintendent’s Review Panel (SRP) will satisfy the cruise or PTE intention. If not approved by the SRP, the training will not be scheduled.

(3) Each program must have the endorsement of the Naval Academy Cyber and Intelligence faculty members who serve as the PTE coordinators. The faculty endorsement is viewed as credible evidence that the internship has educational merit, quality, and relevance to the midshipman’s professional development. The Training Officer will not approve a Summer Training plan with a program component that has not been recommended for the midshipman by
the Cyber or Intelligence faculty PTE coordinator.

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g. Foreign Midshipmen

(1) Foreign midshipmen are expected to participate in Summer Training events to the maximum extent possible. Foreign midshipmen are not authorized to participate in submarine cruises (Fleet or PROTRAMID) and are not eligible to participate in some academic internships.

(2) If the midshipman’s home nation desires them to participate in their organic programs, the Training Officer will coordinate with the International Programs Office for logistics and planning.

(3) The Commandant of Midshipmen shall approve all foreign midshipmen leave requests in excess of 35 days per paragraph 8.b.

9. Implementation

a. Training Assignments

(1) Class Training Officers shall act as “detailers” for their midshipmen, approving the summer events in which their midshipmen will participate.

(2) Midshipmen shall be assigned to Summer Training per enclosures (1) through (4). These enclosures amplify program priorities and assignment business rules. These enclosures should:

(a) Help midshipmen determine their summer training preferences.

(b) Help midshipmen understand commissioning requirements and training intentions before planning summer leave or personal and family events.

(c) Assist Battalion and Company Officers in determining which midshipmen are best suited for training details and the wide variety of elective programs, given training and
graduation requirements. Company Officers and Senior Enlisted Leaders will assist midshipmen in resolving conflicts between graduation requirements, training requirements, character development opportunities, and personal preferences.

(3) In rare circumstances, should a midshipman’s desired Summer Training plan deviate from the assignment business rules, the midshipman shall route a request chit to the Deputy Commandant for Professional Development via their chain of command and the Training Officer. Applicable circumstances include, but are not limited to, 3/C indoctrination cruise waivers and requests for PTEs not previously approved.

b. Summer Training Briefings. The Training Officer shall ensure the following groups are trained on the details of this instruction, including necessary amplification and any expected changes to Summer Training policies or execution:

(1) The Brigade of Midshipmen, at Spring semester Brigade Reform (early January).

(2) Battalion Officers, Company Officers, and Senior Enlisted Leaders, no later than 31 January.

(3) Faculty and Staff, as directed by the Commandant of Midshipmen or the Deputy Commandant for Professional Development.

c. Summer Training Notice. Annually by January, the Commandant of Midshipmen will promulgate a notice to provide amplifying details and facilitate program execution. The Training Officer is responsible for preparing this notice.

d. Officer Support Requirements. Guaranteeing the success of the Summer Training Program is an all hands effort. The wide range of experience and level of expertise on the Yard is a vital asset to the practical learning environment afforded by Summer Training. It is essential that every division and department support Summer Training at the required level. Accordingly, following Spring semester Brigade Reform, Deputy Commandant for Professional Development will route officer manning estimates for the next summer. Senior community representatives will provide names and planned rotation dates for all officers they designate to support Summer Training the following year. This plan should be in place no later than 15 March of the Summer Training year.

10. Action. All hands shall support the letter and the spirit of this instruction.

11. Records Management

a. Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of format or media, must be maintained and dispositioned for the standard subject identification codes (SSIC) 1000 through 13000 series per the records disposition schedules located on the Department of the Navy/Assistant for Administration (DON/AA), Directives and Records Management Division (DRMD) portal page at https://portal.seanav.navy.mil/orgs/DUSNM/DONAA/DRM/Records-
b. For questions concerning the management of records related to this instruction or the records disposition schedules, please contact USNA records manager or the DON/AA DRMD program office.

12. **Review and Effective Date.** The Division of Professional Development will review this instruction annually on the anniversary of the effective date to ensure applicability, currency, and consistency with Federal, DoD, SECNAV, and Navy policy and statutory authority using OPNAV 52 15/40 Review of Instruction.

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### Summer Training Continuum

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* Not all PTEs will be available to every midshipman.
** MAGTF will count as a cruise only under exceptional circumstances.
*** Cyber and Intelligence will count as a 1/c Cruise for midshipmen who have completed grey hull commissioning cruise IAW reference (b).
Note 1: Midshipmen assigned double MSS by Academic Board or Academic Success Track should still plan for PROTRAMID. If a varsity athlete has summer NCAA training requirements and double MSS, the chain of command will coordinate Summer Training plans on a case-by-case basis with the Training Officer. Block 0 will be used, if possible, should double MSS be assigned.

Note 2: Midshipmen may request additional training during a leave period.
2/C SUMMER TRAINING MATRIX

Mandatory Summer School (MSS)?

NO

Selected for Plebe Detail or Language, Regional, Experience & Culture (LREC)?

NO

1. 2/C Cruise (Note 2)
2. Plebe Detail or LREC

YES

1. 2/C Fleet Cruise
2. MSS (Note 1)

NO

1. 2/C Fleet Cruise (Note 2)
2. PTE

YES

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Note 2: Prior enlisted midshipmen who have comparable second class fleet cruise experience will still conduct two blocks of training, but may conduct a YP, OSTS, VOST, USCG EAGLE, or foreign tall ship cruise and another PTE in lieu of a fleet cruise. Voluntary summer school may be considered on a case-by-case basis with the chain of command’s recommendation.

Note 3: Midshipmen may request a PTE (3rd event) in lieu of leave. Consideration will be given to Block 0 fleet cruise.
1/C SUMMER TRAINING MATRIX

Mandatory Summer School (MSS)?

NO
1. 1/C Fleet Cruise
2. PTE

YES
1. 1/C Fleet Cruise
2. MSS (Note 1)

Note 1: Midshipmen assigned double MSS by Academic Board or Academic Success Track should still plan for 1/C Fleet Cruise. If a varsity athlete has summer NCAA training requirements and double MSS, the chain of command will coordinate Summer Training plans on a case-by-case basis with the Training Officer. Block 0 will be used, if possible, should double MSS be assigned.

Note 2: Midshipmen may request a PTE (3rd activity) in lieu of leave. Consideration will be given to Block 0 fleet cruise.