USNA INSTRUCTION 1530.1H

From: Superintendent, U.S. Naval Academy

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

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 1530.8B
     (b) NSTC M-1533.5D
     (c) USNAINST 1531.49C
     (d) Officer Professional Core Competencies Manual 2019
     (e) COMDTMIDNINST 3120.1V

Encl: (1) Summer Training Continuum
     (2) 2024 Professional Training Event Groupings
     (3) Third Class Summer Training Matrix
     (4) Second Class Summer Training Matrix
     (5) First Class 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).

2. Cancellation. USNAINST 1530.1G.

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

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 First Class (1/C), Second Class (2/C), and Third Class (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 in accordance with reference (d). 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 references (a) and (c).

5. **Organization and Authority**

   a. The Superintendent will 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 (MLOs) are assigned to support Midshipmen Summer Training.

   e. Deputy Commandants, Academic Deans, and Community Leaders are responsible for coordinating and supporting the fair distribution of qualified officers to support summer training programs and MLOs.

6. **Requirements.** Per reference (a), 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 two-week Marine Air-Ground Task Force (MAGTF) cruise

   f. Naval Special Warfare (NSW) cruise

   g. Select Foreign Exchange cruises

   h. Information Warfare Community (IWC) cruise

7. **Policy**

   a. **Fourth Class (4/C) Summer Training.** Beginning with Plebe Summer, USNA indoctrinates 4/C midshipmen into the USNA culture and military life, a critical first step on the
path towards graduation and commissioning. Among the myriad of training events conducted during Plebe Summer, they are introduced to the culture of maritime professionals receiving basic seamanship and nautical training. This training includes hands-on experience on multi-crewed sailboats and basic familiarity with Yard Patrol (YP) crafts. Reference (e) outlines the conduct of Plebe Summer Training.

b. 3/C, 2/C, and 1/C Summer Training (enclosures (1) through (4)). The intent for Summer Training is for midshipmen to complete one Fleet Cruise and one Professional Training Event (PTE), while having the opportunity for one block of leave. Due to various circumstances or unique requirements, this may not be the exact breakdown of Summer Training for all midshipman every year.

(1) Mandatory summer school and/or Naval Academy Athletic Association (NAAA) training blockers may limit Fleet Cruise, leave, or PTE participation. There are some opportunities for abbreviated training in Block 0. Training in Block 0 will count for required fleet training or PTE participation when Blocks 1-3 are filled with other obligations.

(2) When midshipmen have been assigned to training that only partially fills a block (i.e. a two-week Fleet Cruise or PTE) midshipman may be assigned to additional training to fill the block, or be assigned to three training events that total eight weeks of training.

(3) 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 four major communities into which midshipmen may commission. Approximately one week is spent with each community: aviation, surface warfare, submarine, and Marine Corps. Exposure to the Navy and Marine Corps team builds the foundation for their professional development and supports midshipmen making 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 enlisted personnel. This cruise provides midshipmen the opportunity to work side by side with the men and women they will eventually have the privilege to lead after commissioning, offering a glimpse into their lives and experiences. In addition to exposing midshipmen to operational naval forces, the cruise reinforces the lessons of leadership and followership learned during their 4/C and 3/C years.

(c) 1/C Midshipmen ("Immersion"). The 1/C warfare cruise is the capstone of USNA’s maritime and leadership summer training opportunities. Midshipmen prepare to lead Sailors and Marines by shadowing junior officers aboard their ships, submarines, squadrons, and units. This cruise provides hands-on opportunities to execute division officer duties and interact with a Wardroom and Chief’s Mess. This cruise also helps midshipmen confirm their expectations about warfare community preferences. 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.
1. Warfare cruise options are: Surface, Submarine, Aviation, IWC, NSW, EOD, Civil Engineer Corps/Restricted Line (RL), and USMC (Leatherneck).

2. For those midshipmen desiring to be assigned to NSW, the priority must be to complete an EOD or NSW cruise.

3. Midshipmen desiring to be assigned as a Marine must attend Leatherneck. A waiver is required for any midshipmen who does not attend Leatherneck but is interested in selecting Marine Corps.

4. Midshipmen desiring to be assigned to Aviation may complete the Powered Flight Program (PFP) as a cruise.

**Note:** PFP, Leatherneck, and RL Cruises do NOT meet the intent of a Commissioning Cruise in accordance with reference (a).

(4) In addition to a Fleet cruise, all 3/C, 2/C, and 1/C midshipmen will complete an approved PTE listed in enclosure (2). PTE programs offered may change slightly from year to year and not all PTEs will be available to every midshipman based on specifically eligibility requirement (class, prerequisite, block availability etc.).

8. **Guidelines and Business Rules**

   a. **Fleet Cruises**

      (1) 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 requests will include an annotation of warfare qualification (if attained), dates of enlisted service, and a list of enlisted assignments and specialty/Military Occupational Specialty. This does not waive the need to meet the commissioning requirements stated in section 6.

      (3) Should a midshipman complete less than 10 days of a 2/C cruise due to emergency leave, personal injury, or other mitigating factors, 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 1/C summer.

   b. **Leave**

      (1) Midshipmen are typically scheduled for one block (28 days) of leave. The leave period need not be consecutive days, although a block of consecutive days is preferable. Company Officers (CO) approve regular leave during leave blocks. Midshipmen will not be scheduled for more than one block of leave.

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

(3) Voluntary participation in faculty/staff approved summer programs taken in lieu of leave (e.g. additional cruise/PTE, voluntary summer school, non-NAAA approved athletic camps) is counted as leave for the purposes of this requirement. Midshipmen who voluntarily select additional training will have their schedules reviewed by the Class Training Officer and approved by their CO.

(4) Midshipmen that participate in a Block 0 PTE or a PTE less than two weeks in duration are assigned another PTE if their schedules allow for it in order to provide fair and adequate training opportunities. Voluntary Summer School and a full leave block does not meet the intention for Midshipmen Summer Training.

Note: SHAPE / GUIDE Training and Dignity and Respect Officer Training in Block 0 meet the criteria for a PTE, however all midshipmen participating will be assigned a second approved PTE in Blocks 1-3, unless extenuating circumstances (Study Abroad, NAAA Blocker, Special Request Chit) dictate otherwise.

c. Academic Summer School

(1) Mandatory Summer School (MSS) may be assigned to academically deficient midshipmen by the Provost. Midshipmen may be assigned to one or more blocks of summer school to ensure they remain on track for graduation. In these instances:

(a) One block of leave is 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 Provost after the list is approved each May.

(c) Midshipmen assigned to two blocks of MSS are still expected to complete their appropriate Fleet Cruise. These midshipmen are 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 will be taken in lieu of leave and do not meet PTE criteria.

d. Varsity Athletics

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

(2) Fall athletes assigned to a National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) sanctioned practice period in Block 3 are given priority assignment for Block 0 and Block 1 cruises.
(3) Spring athletes participating in Block 0 or Block 1 competitions are 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 in coordination with the Summer Training office will consider how to optimize his or her assignment to an Academic Year cruise or PROTRAMID-like event.

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 an internship component that has not been recommended for the midshipman by the faculty internship coordinator or a non-endorsed internship that has not been SRP-approved.

   (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 Provost, via the USNA Internship Coordinator and the Cyber and Intel program leads, will provide a list of selected midshipmen as well as planned travel in support of internships to the Training Officer in order for the training office to centrally track all travel in execution of Summer Training.

   (5) Medical Corps internships may count as a Fleet Cruise for 1/C Midshipmen desiring to commission into the Medical Corps, provided that a commissioning Fleet Cruise has already been completed prior to their 1/C summer.

f. **Cyber and Intelligence Programs.** Formerly 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. All Academic Internship criteria listed above applies to all cyber and intelligence summer training programs.

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 will approve all foreign midshipmen leave requests in excess of 35 days per paragraph 8b.

9. Implementation

a. Training Assignments

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

(2) Midshipmen will 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 determining long term training preferences per the Summer Training Rubric Guidelines.

(3) In rare circumstances, should a midshipman’s desired Summer Training plan deviate from the assignment business rules, the midshipman will route a request to the Deputy Commandant for Professional Development via their chain of command and the Training Officer. Applicable circumstances include, but are not limited to, 2/C indoctrination cruise waivers, medical treatment requirements, or special personal circumstances.

b. Summer Training Briefings. The Training Officer will 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 Intersessional).

(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. **Cross Yard 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, the 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 personnel they designate to support Summer Training the following year. Rotational officers assigned to USNA will support a minimum of one block of summer training. Early initiative will provide greater choice of various opportunities. Examples of support that summer training requires are event Training Officers or PROTRAMID/SUBTRAMID MLOs. Volunteers are also required to support LANTPAT, Sailing programs, Powered Flight Program, and USMC programs. This plan should be in place no later than 15 March of the Summer Training year.

10. **Action.** All hands will 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 per the records disposition schedules located on the DON Assistant for Administration, Directives and Records Management Division portal page at https://portal.secnv.navy.mil/orgs/DUSNM/DONAA/DRM/Records-and-InformationManagement/Approved%20Record%20Schedules/Forms/AllItems.aspx.

b. For questions concerning the management of records related to this instruction or the records disposition schedules, please contact your local record custodian or the USNA Records Manager.

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 5215/40 Review of Instruction.

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# SUMMER TRAINING CONTINUUM

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# 2024 Professional Training Event Groupings

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**Note:** Not all PTEs will be available to every midshipman, based on Class or prerequisites.

Enclosure (2)
MANDATORY SUMMER SCHOOL (MSS)?

NO

SELECTED FOR LANGUAGE, REGIONAL, EXPERIENCE & CULTURE (LREC) OR NASS/STEM?

NO

1. PROTRAMID
2. PTE

YES

1. PROTRAMID
2. LREC OR NASS/STEM

YES

1. PROTRAMID
2. MSS (NOTE 1)

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NOTE 2: Midshipmen may request additional training during a leave period.
SECOND CLASS (2/C) SUMMER TRAINING MATRIX

Mandatory Summer School (MSS)?

- **NO**
  - Selected for Plebe Detail or Language, Regional, Experience & Culture (LREC)?
    - **YES**
      - 1. 2/C Cruise (Note 2)
      - 2. Plebe Detail or LREC
    - **NO**
      - 1. 2/C Fleet Cruise (Note 2)
      - 2. PTE
  - **YES**
    - 1. 2/C Fleet Cruise (Note 2)
    - 2. MSS (Note 1)

**Note 1:** Midshipmen assigned double MSS by Academic Board or Academic Success Track should still plan for 2/C Fleet Cruise. If a varsity athlete has summer NAAA 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, where possible, if double MSS is assigned.

**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, OS, 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.
Mandatory Summer School (MSS)?

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