Office of Research and Scholarship

The Research Office's primary goal is to enhance the environment of scholarship at the U.S. Naval Academy by providing opportunities for faculty and midshipmen to engage in research activities, with an emphasis on Navy and Marine Corps relevant investigations.

To achieve this goal, the staff of the Research Office carries out two sets of tasks:

a) Interacts with administrators, scientists and engineers at Department of Defense (DoD) and other government laboratories, as well as universities and industry. Identifies areas for collaborative research with USNA faculty and midshipmen. These tasks often lead to the Research Office staff members assisting faculty as they prepare proposals that are subsequently submitted to funding agencies.

b) Interacts with faculty and midshipmen to inform them of the internal and external fiduciary requirements associated with carrying out research projects at the Naval Academy.

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The Faculty Enhancement Center (FEC) supports:

- teaching and learning
- faculty and midshipmen
- research and scholarship

The Center supports the faculty in providing the highest quality instruction for midshipmen through individual consultations, classroom observations, teaching effectiveness workshops, teaching portfolio workshop and mentors, and print and video resource.

The Center also provides funding for teaching and assessment conferences and related opportunities.

The Center also offers support via the Instructional Development Support Center (IDSC) in Nimitz 107. The Instructional Development Support Center is a centralized, client-oriented support facility intended to introduce emerging educational technologies and to help faculty integrate appropriate technology into the teaching, learning and assessment process. The IDSC offers short courses in various software programs and the use of Blackboard, and assists the faculty in developing course material.

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