



NAVAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL

Academic Programs

- COLOR KEY**
- Resident
 - Distance Learning
 - Mixed Mode/Hybrid
 - International

MISSION STATEMENTS THROUGH THE YEARS

The Early Years

1909 The School of Marine Engineering
To provide a post-graduate course in Marine Engineering.

1915 The Postgraduate Department at USNA
In accordance with Article 1543 of the US Naval Regulations, curricula have been established in this department as follows: (A) Mechanical Engineering; (B) Electrical Engineering; (C) Ordnance; (D) Naval Construction; (E) Civil Engineering.

1932 NPS Engineering School
Postgraduate courses of instruction shall be maintained for the advanced education and training of commissioned officers in (a) general professional and allied subjects; and (b) technical subjects pertaining to ordnance, mechanical, electrical, radio, marine and aeronautical engineering. In addition such other subjects as the Secretary of the Navy may prescribe in order to meet the requirements of the naval service.

Era of the Three Schools

1952 The Engineering School
The Engineering School of NPS is established for maintaining courses of instruction for advanced education and training of commissioned officers in such general and technical subjects as the Secretary of the Navy may prescribe.

1953 The Naval Line School
To supplement and broaden the professional knowledge of unrestricted line officers of the Regular Navy in order to increase their capabilities and to prepare them for duties afloat and ashore commensurate with their rank.

1957 The Navy Management School
The mission of the Navy Management School is to provide management training at the Post-graduate level for Naval Officers in order that they may function more effectively in the performance of their assigned duties. The broadening of the mental outlook and resultant increase in professional knowledge will enable the officers to better meet the duties, responsibilities and complexities of higher rank, thereby improving the efficiency of the Navy.

Modern NPS (Combined Engineering, Line & Naval, and Management Schools)

1960 To conduct and direct the advanced education of commissioned officers, to broaden the professional knowledge of general line officers, and to provide such other indoctrination, technical and professional instruction as may be prescribed to meet the needs of the Naval Service. In support of the foregoing, to foster and encourage a program of research in order to sustain academic excellence.

1968 To conduct and direct the advanced education of commissioned officers and to provide such other technical and professional instruction as may be prescribed to meet the needs of the Naval Service; and in support of the foregoing, to foster and encourage a program of research in order to sustain academic excellence.

1991 To enhance the combat effectiveness of the Navy and Marine Corps by conducting and directing advanced education of commissioned officers, and provide such other technical and professional instruction as may be prescribed to meet the needs of the Naval Service. In support of the foregoing, and to sustain academic excellence, foster and encourage a program of relevant and meritorious research.

Evolving NPS Mission for the 21st Century

2007 To provide relevant and unique advanced education and research programs in order to increase the combat effectiveness of commissioned officers of the naval service to enhance the security of the United States. In support of the foregoing, and to sustain academic excellence, foster and encourage a program of relevant and meritorious research which both supports the needs of Navy and Department of Defense (DoD) while building the intellectual capital of NPS faculty.

2018 To provide relevant and unique advanced education and research programs to increase the combat effectiveness of commissioned officers of the naval service to enhance the security of the United States. In support of the foregoing, and to sustain academic excellence, foster a program of relevant and meritorious research that provides thesis and research opportunities for NPS students; informs the curricula; supports the needs of Navy and DoD; and builds the intellectual capital of NPS faculty. To support the core Navy mission, NPS's programs are inherently joint, inter-agency, and international.

2022 NPS provides defense-focused graduate education, including classified studies and interdisciplinary research, to advance the operational effectiveness, technological leadership and warfighting advantage of the Naval Service.

