



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS  
2000 NAVY PENTAGON  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20350-2000

IN REPLY REFER TO

NOV 8 1999

MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR CLAIMANT STAFF CHAPLAINS

Subj: FOCUS 16/99 (Receipt of Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) AQD and JPME Phase I Training Opportunities)

Ref: (a) FOCUS 15/99 (Chaplain Corps Participation in Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) Phase II Training)  
(b) CNO WASHINGTON DC 231645Z JUN 99 (NAVADMIN 175/99)

1. Chaplains completing either Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) Phase I (resident, nonresident or correspondence courses) or JPME Phase II (resident course) are responsible for ensuring their records reflect the particular AQDs awarded upon completion. Chaplains will submit a letter via mail or fax to PERS-45J1, with a copy to N977D (Chaplain Corps Head of Professional Development), requesting designation of AQD JS7 (Phase I) or AQD JS8 (Phase II). The letter requires the following enclosures: 1) Certificate of Graduation 2) Chaplain's current mailing address/e-mail/voice/fax.

2. PERS-45J1 will update the chaplain's record and forward the certificate to PERS-312 in order to update the service schools attended for each officer. To contact PERS-45J1:

Bureau of Naval Personnel  
PERS-45J1  
Joint Officer Management, AFSC Placement  
5720 Integrity Drive  
Millington TN 38055-4500  
e-mail: p45J1@persnet.navy.mil  
Phone:Comm 901-874-4218  
DSN 882-4218  
DSN Fax: 882-2696

3. Reference (a) notified chaplains who completed Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) Phase I of available quotas for JPME Phase II.

4. If your chaplains have not received JPME Phase I they should understand that JPME is important for assignment to "joint billets." As of now, we have twenty chaplain billets that are rotated among the three Service chaplaincies. This is a growing list. There are three ways to receive JPME Phase I education:

Subj: FOCUS 16/99 (Receipt of Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) AQD and JPME Phase I Training Opportunities)

resident; nonresident; and correspondence. Commencing FY-00, the Chaplain Corps has two JPME resident student seats per year for LCDRs. The first is at the Naval War College (NWC) and a second at the Marine Corps Command and Staff College.

5. Additionally, all Service war colleges enroll both nonresident seminar students and correspondence students in their JPME Phase I programs. JPME Phase I completion meets one of the basic qualifiers for joint chaplain billet assignments. If you know chaplains who are interested, please have them contact the web site of each Service war college for more information on nonresident seminar or correspondence courses. You may suggest that those aboard ship or at remote sites review the Air Command and Staff College (ACSC) correspondence course deliverable on CD-ROM. This method affords students the opportunity to choose the time and place of study. ACSC provides the framework and recommended schedule for students to follow. Students may enroll at any time throughout the year. Students have 18-months to complete this program and must achieve a minimum score of 70% on each of 4 examinations. Successful completion of any Phase I course awards a chaplain with an AQD of JS7, which is prerequisite for matriculation through Armed Forces Staff College (AFSC) resident course (JPME Phase II). The following web sites are available for JPME Phase I correspondence courses:

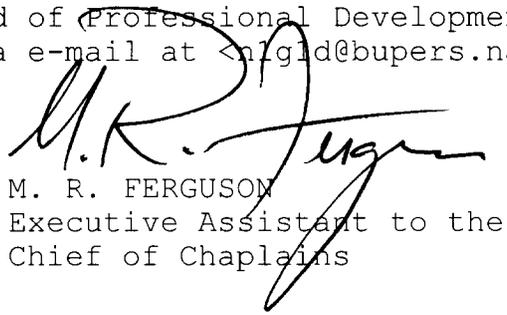
USN: <http://www.nwc.navy.mil/cce/nonresid.htm>  
USMC: <http://www.mcu.quantico.usmc.mil/cce/cce.htm>  
USAF: <http://wwwacsc.au.af.mil/>  
USA: <http://www-cgsc.army.mil/nrs/>

6. Reference (b) explains the 1999-2000 Naval War College nonresident seminar program providing JPME phase I credit. The NWC nonresident seminar program is currently offered in 19 regional locations for academic year 1999-00. Over 20 years, in excess of 10,000 students have taken advantage of this superb educational experience. The nonresident seminar program offers courses that are similar in content and methodology to the course of study taught in the resident program at Newport, RI. Successful completion of the nonresident seminar program results in the award of a Naval War College diploma and credit for Joint Professional Military Education Phase I. The courses are fully accredited for up to a total of 20 graduate credits, which may be applied to the requirements of many civilian university programs. The NWC correspondence-based program offers the opportunity to complete the nonresident seminar program if transferred to an area where seminars are unavailable. Information and applications can be obtained from the appropriate NWC local

Subj: FOCUS 16/99 (Receipt of Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) AQD and JPME Phase I Training Opportunities)

area liaison officer or by calling the College Of Continuing Education at (401)841-6519 (DSN 948) or e-mail at: wheelerj@nwc.navy.mil. More information is available on the NWC homepage at: <http://www.nwc.navy.mil>. The deadline for 1999-2000 applications was 16 Jul 99. Please anticipate a future NAVADMIN message announcing enrollment for the NWC 2000-01 nonresident seminar program.

7. If you have questions concerning this FOCUS please contact CDR Alan Baker, CHC, USN, Head of Professional Development, at (703)695-8522 (DSN 225) or via e-mail at <algid@bupers.navy.mil>.



M. R. FERGUSON  
Executive Assistant to the  
Chief of Chaplains