SEA Program Officer Update

SEA Online Community Members,

The students have been very busy over the past several months, as our junior and senior cohorts have made significant progress towards the completion of their capstone projects. Congratulations to SEA 23 who graduated back in May and delivered a fantastic project report titled *Unmanned Systems in Integrating Cross-Domain Naval Fires.* You can track the students’ progress and read their completed tasking statements, progress briefs, and final reports [here](https://my.nps.edu/web/sea/archived-projects-and-articles).

## SEA/NPS Outreach Trips

Since the last update, there were two SEA outreach trips conducted. The first trip was to Norfolk, VA for the Naval Helicopter Association Symposium in May, and the second was to Reno, NV for the annual Tailhook Association Symposium in early September. I had a chance to talk with several JOs interested in the SEA program and it was evident that alumni have made an impact by sharing their experiences with your JOs. Please continue to tell your JOs about SEA!

I also had several interactions with fleet stakeholders seeking to leverage NPS faculty, SEA, SE and OR students for help with solving some of their most challenging real-world problem sets. As a reminder, if there are real-world problem sets that the SE and OR department can help you with, please pass along your problem statement and I will help get you in contact with the appropriate subject matter experts at NPS. In fact, we are in the process of working several real-world problems given to us by SEA alumni to include a faculty research project and our Senior Cohort’s SEA project.

## December SEA Quotas

There are still several SEA quotas available for our January start within all URL communities. If you know of any JOs up for orders, please encourage them to consider SEA if they are in the window for graduate education.

Finally, thanks to all who completed the recent SEA Alumni Survey. Your answers will help NPS faculty stakeholders and the SEA Major Area Sponsor make important decisions during the upcoming bi-annual curriculum review. If you didn’t get a chance to fill out the survey, you can always pass along your thoughts and ideas directly.

Thank you & very respectfully,

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