

# 2015 Student Writing Award Winners announced

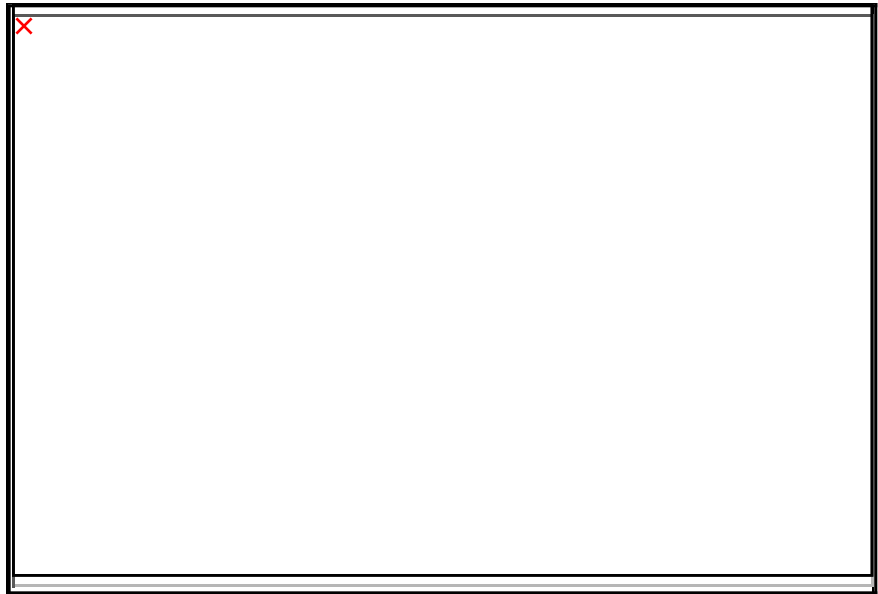
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The Commandant of the U.S. Army War College is pleased to announce the names of students for honors in research, writing and speaking competitions this year. Each of these students, and the USAWC Fellows studying at external insitutions, were mentored in their strategy paper by members of the US Army War College faculty.

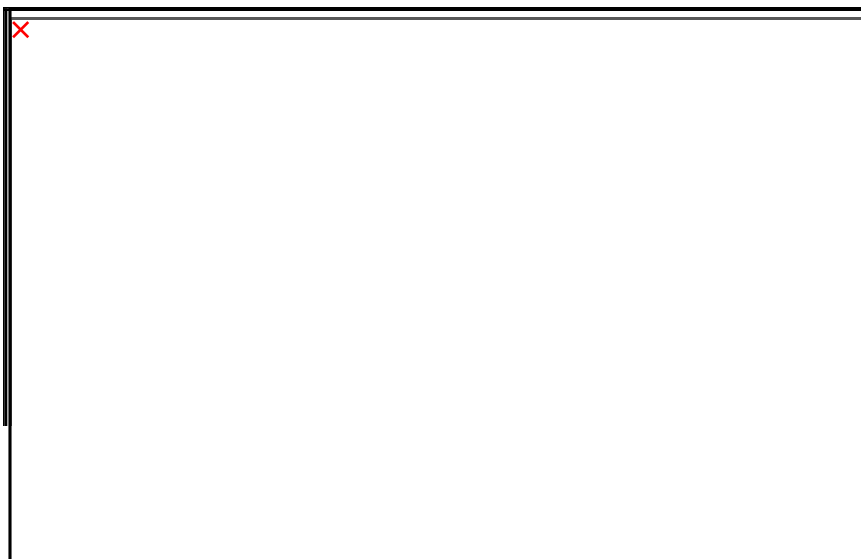
### Secretary of Defense National Security Essay Competition

#### Third Place

-- to US Coast Guard Cmdr **William G. Dwyer III** -- for "Interesting Times ... China's Strategic Interests in the Arctic"



*At right, Commandant Maj. Gen. Bill Rapp congratulates Coast Guard Cmdr Bill Dwyer.*



### Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff National Defense and Military Strategy Essay Competition

#### First Place—Strategic Research Paper

-- to US Army Lt. Col. **Patrick M.**

**Duggan**, USAWC Fellow at the Naval Postgraduate School -- for, "Strategic Development of Special Warfare in Cyberspace"

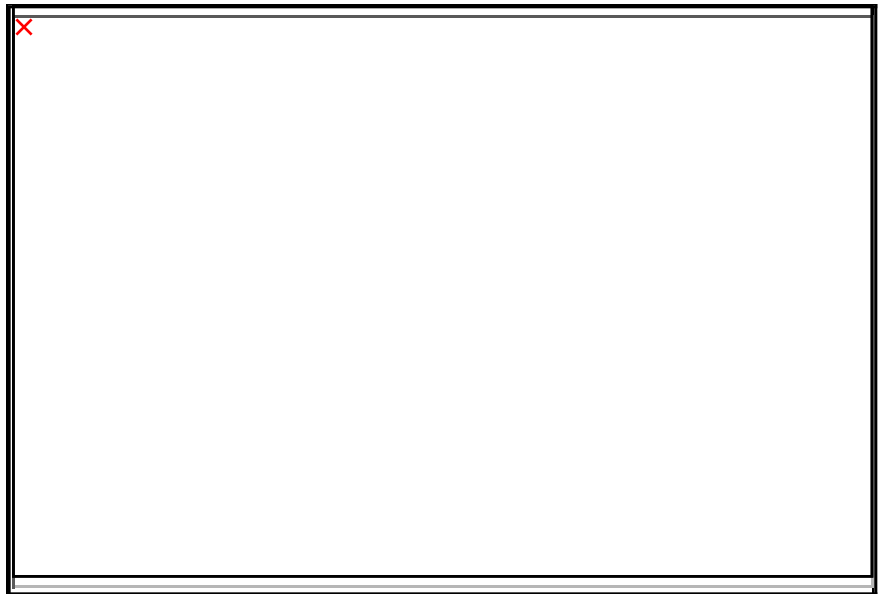
*At left, School of Strategic Landpower Dean Dr. Richard Lacquement shakes hands with CJCS 1st place award winner Lt. Col. Patrick Duggan, with Provost Dr. Lance Betros at left in the photo.*

### Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff National Defense and Military Strategy Essay Competition

#### First Place—1500 Word Strategy Article

-- to US Army Lt. Col. **Robert W. Schultz** -- for, "Countering Extremist Groups in Cyberspace"

*At right, Army Chief of Staff Gen. Raymond Odierno speaks with Lt. Col. Robert Schultz after his receipt of 1st place certificate for his CJCS strategy article.*

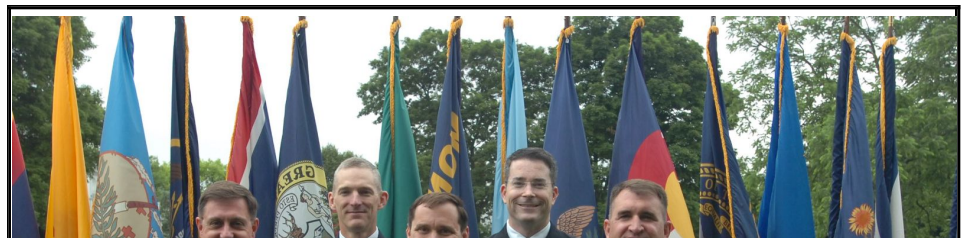


#### The Commandant's Award for Distinction in Research

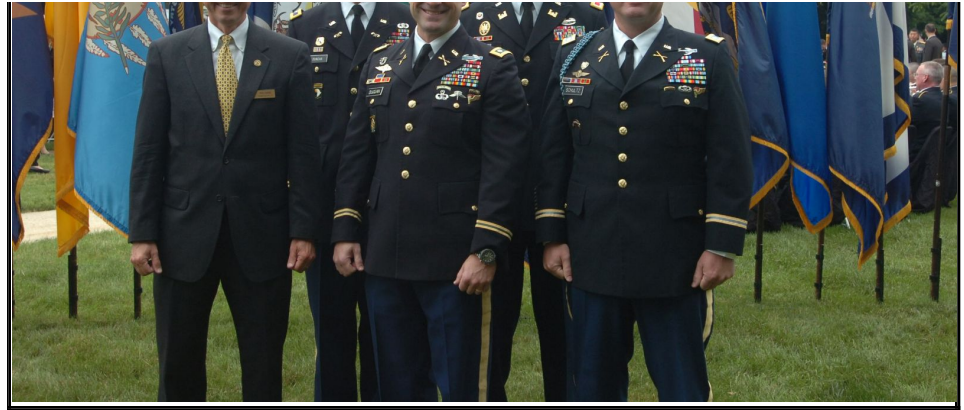
-- to Canadian Army Col. **Ted Middleton** -- for, "Order, Counter-order, Disorder: Russia's Challenge to the European System"

-- to US Army Col. **Celestino Perez, Jr.** -- for "Errors in Strategic Thinking: Anti-Politics and the Macro Bias"

-- to US Army Lt. Col. **Scott M. Naumann**, USAWC Fellow at University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill -- for, "Repetitions Of History: Army Downsizing Insights From The British Interwar Experience"



*At right, paper mentor Prof. Phil Evans poses with writing award-winning USAWC Fellows who have studied at various academic institutions this year (left to right) Col. Thomas Duncan, Lt. Col. Patrick Duggan, Col. Edward Chamberlayne, and Lt. Col. Robert Schultz.*



-- to US Army Col. **Thomas A. Duncan, II**, USAWC Fellow at George Mason University -- for “Getting to Zero: A Chemical Weapons Free Middle East”

-- to US Army Col. **Constantin E. Nicolet** -- for “The Morality of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Strikes”

-- to Italian Army Col. **Beniamino Vergori** (*pictured below*)-- for “National Security Strategy: Italy as a Case Study”



**AWC Foundation Award for Outstanding Strategy Research Paper**

-- to Denmark's Col. **Kenneth Pedersen** -- for, “The Danish Armed Forces Strategic Choices”

-- to US Army Lt. Col. **William E. Boswell** -- for, “Strategic Opportunity in the Asia-Pacific Rebalance: Myanmar”



*Above, Mr. Stewart C. Eales, Col. Warren L. Wells, Col. Kenneth Pedersen pause with their awards for research and writing/speaking.*

**AWC Foundation MG Harold J. Greene Memorial Writing Award**

-- to US Army Col. Edward Pye

**Chamberlayne, USAWC Fellow at the Institute of World Politics -- for, “Risky Business: Fracking and U.S. Army Infrastructure”**

**AWC Foundation Colonel Don and Mrs. Anne Bussey Military Intelligence Writing Award**

-- to Mongolian Army Col. **Amarsaikhan Serdari** -- for, “Strategic Aims of Russian Military Reform”

**AWC Foundation Colonel Jerry D. Cashion Memorial Writing Award**

-- to Pakistan Army Brigadier **M. Waseem Ashraf Raja** -- for, “Inculcating Adaptability: Institutionalizing Mission Command within the Pakistan Army”

**AWC Foundation Colonel Francis J. Kelly Counterinsurgency Writing Award**

-- to US Air Force Reserve Lt. Col. **Sharon K. E. Kibiloski** -- for, “Reprioritizing Development and Defense in



Sub-Saharan Africa: Strategic Opportunity”



**AWC Foundation  
Daniel M. Lewin  
Cyber-Terrorism  
Technology  
Writing Award**

-- to US Army  
Col. **Brandon D.  
Newton** -- for,  
“The Flawed  
Strategic  
Discourse on  
Cyber Power”

*At left, Col. Kris N. Perkins, Lt. Col. Sharon K. E. Kibiloski, Col. Jeffery E. Phillips, Col. Kenneth Pedersen, Col. Warren Wells, Col. Brandon Newton, Col. Edward P. Chamberlayne, Col. Amarsaikhan Serdari, Lt. Col. William Boswell, Brigadier M. Waseem Ashraf Raja pose for pictures after the graduation ceremony.*

**AWC Foundation Dr. Sara L. Morgan Civilian Development and Management Writing Award**

-- to US Army Col. **Jeffery E. Phillips** -- for, “Private Security Companies and Operational Contract Support Requirements”

**Armed Forces Communications-Electronics Association (AFCEA) Writing Award**

-- to Dr. **Nathan Timothy Ray** -- for, “Tinker, Terrorist, Cyberpunk, Spy: Public Disclosure Websites and Extremist Threats”

**Association of the United States Army (AUSA) Writing Award**

-- to US Army Col. **David M. Knych** -- for, “A Grand Strategy of Restraint?”

**Foreign Area Officer Association Writing Award**

-- to US Army Col. **Chris William Chronis** -- for, “Is Turkey Slipping Out of the West’s Orbit?”

**Marine Corps Association  
and Foundation General  
Thomas Holcomb Writing**



## **Award**

-- to US Marine Lt. Col.

**Edward R. Sullivan** -- for,  
“The Islamic State: Terrorists  
or Millenarian Mass  
Movement?”

*At right, award-winner Lt. Col.*

*Edward Sullivan poses with faculty  
mentor Col. Roger McFadden.*

## **Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) Writing Award**

-- to US Army Col. **Kris N. Perkins** -- for, “Africa’s WMD Proliferation Threat: Intersection of Availability,  
Opportunity and Desire”

-- to Mr. **Stewart C. Eales**, US Department of State -- for, “U.S. Promotion of Democracy in the Post-Cold War  
Era”

## **Military Order of the World Wars Writing Award**

-- to US Army Lt. Col. **Darrell W. Driver**, USAWC Fellow at the George C. Marshall Center -- for, “Burden  
Sharing and the Future of NATO: Between Two Worlds”

## **Red River Valley Fighter Pilots Association Writing Award**

-- to US Air Force Lt. Col. **Derek James O'Malley** -- for, “Forging Weapons Strategies for the Future Defense  
Landscape”

## **Reserve Officers Association (ROA) Lieutenant General Thomas J. Plewes Writing Award**

-- to US Army Reserve Lt. Col. **Bryan M. Brokate** -- for, “Reserve Component Outreach: Improved Suicide  
Prevention for the Total Force”

## **U.S. Military Academy’s William E. Simon Center for Professional Military Ethic Writing Award**

-- to US Army National Guard Col. **Timothy Rieger**, USAWC Fellow at Tufts University -- for, “Laws of  
Unintended Consequences: The Leahy Laws”

**Carlisle Barracks and Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army (AUSA) Award for Excellence in Public Speaking**

-- to US Army Col. **Warren L. Wells** -- for, "Dangerous Aid: Humanitarian Intervention in the Modern Era"

**AWC Foundation Lifetime Alumni Membership Award**

-- to US Army Col. **Mark D. Baxter**, president of the resident U.S. Army War College Class of 2015.

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