



United States Coast Guard Academy



Creating Leaders for our United States Coast Guard

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Shared Learning Outcomes

- *Leadership Ability*
- *Personal and Professional Qualities*
- *Critical Thinking Ability*
- *Ability to Acquire, Integrate and Expand Knowledge*
- *Ability to Communicate Effectively*





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USCGA Core Curriculum – Components

Well Being/Physical
Professional
Leadership
Liberal Arts
Technical





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Academic Majors

- **Government** (*international affairs track/public policy track*)
- **Management**
- **Marine and Environmental Sciences** (*chemistry/biology/physics-2 of 3*)
- **Operations Research and Computer Analysis**
- **Civil Engineering**
- **Electrical Engineering** (*systems emphasis/computer emphasis*)
- **Mechanical Engineering**
- **Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering**



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Our Changing World-Curricular Evolution

Activities/Project-based study

Elective Courses

Outside Sponsorship

Enhanced Course Management Tools

Pedagogical Variations/Methodologies



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Co/Extra-Curricular Experiences

- ***Scholar's Projects***
- ***Advanced Research Projects***
- ***Directed/Independent Research***
- ***Capstone Courses/Projects***
- ***Honor's Program***
- ***Internships***





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Undergraduate Research

Benefits

Attracts students to majors/careers (particularly in STEM)

Strong mentoring relationships

Cross disciplinary dialogues

Develop motivation and confidence to persist

Desire to advance studies-lifelong learning

Ability to handle open ended problems-uncertainty

Costs

Strain on faculty-partnership management

200 week cadet program

Tremendous pressure on limited technician and admin support

Limited mechanisms for accepting non-appropriated resources (people/funds)



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Partnerships/Connectivity

CG Field Units

CG Directorates

Government Labs

Other Colleges/Universities

Leadership Development Center

Institute for Leadership

Center for Maritime Policy and Security Studies



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Unique Capacity/Capability

Tow Tank/Circulating Water Channel

SIPRNET Classroom (Secret Internet Protocol Router Network)

Ship Bridge/Radar Simulator

Cyber-Defense/Network Security Laboratory Laboratory

Training Vessels/Boats

