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THE CHALLENGE

ADVANTAGE AT SEA, the new tri-service maritime strategy, is clear-victory hinges on decision advantage. Its description of intelligence, however, is limited to grids, networks, and systems. While these are critical, commanders across the fleet and throughout history have reminded us that intelligence is, first and foremost, a product of people. This year's Naval Intelligence Essay Contest challenges you to think about the people in naval intelligence, the culture in which they serve, and the principles that guide them.

- How does naval intelligence cultivate excellence in its fundamental principles while serving the objectives of the wider information warfare community and the needs of all warfare areas to execute the tri-service maritime strategy?
- How can naval intelligence develop and enhance a diverse culture that empowers innovation and original thought and delivers unique and powerful insights that "expand decision advantage"?
- What does "training and education for warfighting advantage in dynamic environments" mean for naval intelligence in the context of great power competition and *Advantage at Sea*?



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