

SOSMRC Instructor Manning

Instructor manpower and experience at Surface Warfare Officer School in Newport, Rhode Island is adequate to restart the Senior Officer Ship's Material Readiness Course (SOSMRC). The course's lead instructor is an O-6 post major commander with extensive material readiness experience. The other staff members who will serve as primary instructors include one O-6, three O-5's and one O-4 who bring a diverse background of command and material readiness experience. Additionally, the SWOS Commanding Officer and current Executive Director (a retired O-6 nuclear trained Surface Warfare Officer and prior SOSMRC instructor) will instruct and remain fully engaged in refining the SOSMRC curriculum and course execution.

CSCS Detachment Manning

The Center for Surface Combat Systems (CSCS) detachments East Coast (Norfolk), West Coast (San Diego) and Hawaii were formulated from ATRC and ATG training experts. These detachments are made up of Sailors and civilians with expertise in operating and repairing combat, navigation and communications systems. The detachments have been reduced in manpower and as a result in their ability provide responsive training as well as fill the ever increasing gap in warfighting training along the waterfront including Ballistic Missile Defense (BMD). CSCS has submitted a POM-12 budget issue for additional manpower and training funding to support an integrated individual and unit level training program called Advanced Weapons Training (AWT). This program has already been piloted with successful feedback and is gaining support among the SURFOR leadership, numbered Fleets and Warfighting Centers of Excellence.