

Center for Military History

The San Diego State University Center for Military History

The Department of History is proud to announce the formation of the SDSU Center for Military History (CMH). The CMH will bring together scholars, students, and community members to support advanced research, teaching, and public engagement in Military History. Our goal is to establish SDSU as a nationally recognized center for the study and teaching of military history.

This aspiration is rooted in our history and the traditions of the region we serve. San Diego County is one of the largest active-duty military and veteran centers in the world, with more than one-hundred thousand active-duty personnel and almost a quarter-million veterans. It is home to storied institutions such as Naval Base Coronado, Camp Pendleton, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Coast Guard Station San Diego, MCAS Miramar, and the USS Midway Museum. San Diego State University reflects this strength, with over 3,000 military affiliated students and national ranking among the nation's best colleges for veterans.

Based in the Department of History, the Center will grow existing department strengths and provide a platform for future research, teaching, and public engagement in the areas of Military, Naval, and Maritime History; the histories of war, statecraft, and national security policy; military technology; war and society; organized violence; post-war reconciliation; the lives of combatants, veterans, and survivors; and public memory.

Military History has a distinguished place in the field of history, and it supports interdisciplinary collaboration with many fields, including Political Science, International Affairs, Sociology, Military Science, and Public Administration. Study of the causes, conduct, and costs of war underlies critical public policymaking and informed citizenship.

We are excited to inaugurate the SDSU Center for Military History in Fall 2019 with compelling public programming and a new, specialized course in the Military History of WWII in the Pacific, in partnership with the USS Midway Museum.

If you want to learn more about the Center for Military History and how you can support our programs, don't hesitate to contact Professor Andrew Wiese, Chair, Department of History (awiese@sdsu.edu / 619-594-5262).

<http://history.sdsu.edu>