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CMU Off-Campus & Online Programs Announces Recipients Of U.S. Armed Forces Textbook Award

MOUNT PLEASANT, MI --- Central Michigan University's Off-Campus and Online Programs recently announced the recipients of its U.S. Armed Forces Textbook Award.

The award was presented to 32 students from CMU's Off-Campus and Online Programs for the 2011-12 academic year. Recipients included 17 enlisted personnel, nine officers, and six spouses. Each recipient will receive a \$150.00 scholarship that can be used for textbooks.

"This award demonstrates how CMU's Off-Campus and Online Programs is truly committed to assisting students with the cost of their education, and for a student like me, any amount is appreciated," said 2011-12 award recipient, Nukelia T. Ealey.

Added 2011-12 award recipient, Marshall H. Stafford, "I was both surprised and happy to receive the U.S. Armed Forces Textbook Award. With the curriculum requiring new textbooks and the cost associated with those textbooks, any financial assistance helps defray the cost of college. This award is very much appreciated and will help provide financial assistance for one or more course textbooks."

Active duty U.S. military personnel and their immediate family members enrolled in CMU Off-Campus and Online Programs are eligible to apply for textbook assistance.

"I have been blessed by this award to help my education," said 2011-12 award recipient, Noah P. Carpenter.

The textbook award, which was established in 2009 with initial funding from 13 Lead Donors and a fundraising campaign, is available to enlisted personnel, warrant officers, and commissioned officers in pay grades O-1 through O-3.

Today, the award continues to receive donations from alumni, faculty, and staff. To date, approximately \$18,750 has been awarded to 86 recipients.

“CMU is proud to claim over 145 Flag Officers and numerous other senior officer and enlisted personnel as alumni,” said Merodie A. Hancock, Ph.D., vice president and executive director of Off-Campus and Online Programs at Central Michigan University. “Additionally, many graduates have advanced to senior leadership positions within the public and private sectors because of the high-quality degrees they earned from our programs.”

To learn more about this scholarship and CMU’s Off-Campus and Online Programs, visit www.cel.cmich.edu.

Established in 1892, Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant, Michigan, was originally founded as a school for teacher and business education. Since then, this doctoral research university has grown to become one of the nation’s 100 largest public universities and the fourth largest in Michigan. With more than 21,000 students on its Mount Pleasant campus, CMU has 7,000 students enrolled online and at over 50 locations across the United States.

Central Michigan University is proud to support our military students, offering various services to the men and women in uniform, including a military and civilian DoD discounted tuition rate. Additionally, CMU has been repeatedly designated a military friendly university by both *GI Jobs* and *Military Advanced Education* magazines. For more information on CMU’s services to military students, visit www.cmich.edu/military.