

SOCIETY FOR MILITARY PSYCHOLOGY

Presents this 2019 Presidential Citation to

Colonel Maurice Sipos, PhD

For his long-lasting dedication to developing future Society leaders through pioneering work as the co-founder of the Society Leadership Program, and his steadfast commitment to promote the contributions of the Society's international members.

As the Co-Chair of the Society Leadership Program (SLP), COL Sipos has pioneered a leadership program for the Society that will have a lasting effect on the Society leadership pipeline far into the future. This year's inaugural class received an advanced leadership curriculum, individual leadership assessments, peer-driven leadership training, and significant Capstone projects. The program was developed with nationally-recognized faculty and mentors. In addition, COL Sipos has advanced the technology not only for the SLP but also more broadly for the Society using Zoom, Slack, and Trello. Additionally, COL Sipos has served as the Co-Chair for the Committee on International Military Psychology, offering inaugural awards and programming to highlight our international members' contributions throughout the world.

COL Sipos has served military populations throughout his career as a research psychologist, including but not limited to evaluating the neurobehavioral effects of anticholinergic drugs as countermeasures against chemical warfare; developing and implementing a web-based data collection platform to collect data on military members' health, fitness, and leadership abilities; conducting focus groups to improve quality of life of deployed soldiers; and assessing research related to PTSD and anger in military affiliates. COL Sipos showed great accomplishment in his time as an Army Research Psychologist while executing his assigned and implied missions in the most demanding environments. For 25 years, he excelled as a critical leader, delivering front-line research, program development, and support to a diverse set of military affiliates. He has conducted and managed research related to military psychology since 1995, including applied research across multiple disciplines supporting the development of the field of military psychology. He excels in the conduction of research with service members across the deployment cycle to benchmark mental health status and performance. He provided senior military leaders with recommendations concerning options to optimize the mental health of their units.

For his leadership and initiative in building a pipeline of future Society leaders advance Society technology, and advocacy for international members of the Society, I, Stephen V. Bowles, take great pleasure in presenting the Society for Military Psychology Presidential Citation to COL Maurice Sipos.

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