

ALUMNI NEWS

NDU International Fellows Alumni



Summer 2022

Happy End of Summer NDU
International Alumni!

NDU and ISMO embarked on another season filled with transitions and events abound. We said farewell and congratulations to our yearlong International Fellows at the Ft. McNair and Joint Forces Staff College Campus. This year we had more than **130 graduates from over 75 countries** receive their diplomas from NWC, ES, CIC, CISA, and JFSC. Congratulations Class of 2022!

Shortly after graduation, ISMO welcomed the new Class of 2023 International Fellows. After attending in-processing and their summer American Studies course, our fellows **began traveling on the first Field Studies** of the year. Trips to Mt. Vernon, Pittsburgh, and Montana will be followed by more Field Studies Programs throughout

the academic year, the next of which will be our trip to Boston, Massachusetts at the end of September.

In addition to these exciting events, the annual **Alumni Continuing Education Security Seminar took place in Sydney, Australia**. More than 80 international and US alumni reconnected, learned, and discussed topics on this year's theme: Rules-Based International Order: What's at Stake in the Indo-Pacific and Beyond? We **celebrated the accomplishments of five distinguished alumni by inducting them into the International Fellows Hall of Fame**.

We wish you and your families all the best and may global peace come soon.

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**Congratulations
JAWS Fellows!**

Your dedication and hard work
was well rewarded. We expect to
see great things from you!



CLASS OF 2022 GRADUATION NORTH CAMPUS



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Congratulations Fellows!
More photos at link below:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/nduaudiovisual/albums>



CLASS OF 2023 CONVOCAATION NORTH CAMPUS



We welcomed **over 140 International Fellows** to NDU. Respective colleges held receptions for all new students before the start of the academic year.



ALUMNI CONTINUING EDUCATION SECURITY SEMINAR (ACCESS)

More than 110 international and US NDU alumni, spouses, and faculty members participated in ACCESS 2022 in Sydney, Australia. More pictures can be found here:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/nduaudiovisual/albums/72177720301380049/>



"ACCESS helped me understand the current security environment as well as renew and advance the relationship among NDU scholars."



"The conference reminded me of NDU. ACCESS helped in expanding my thoughts which will assist in my decision-making process. I also increased my knowledge to address national security issues."

INTERNATIONAL HALL OF FAME CEREMONY (ACCESS)

NDU celebrated the achievements of five distinguished alumni by inducting them into the International Hall of Fame:

Ambassador Agus Widjojo, NWC/ES Class of 1994
Ambassador to the Philippines, Republic of Indonesia

Admiral (Ret) Travis Sinniah, CISA Class of 2004
Commander of the Navy, Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

Major General Abdulla Shamaal, CISA Class of 2012
Chief of Defence Force, Republic of the Maldives

Major General Molefi Seikano, CISA Class of 2009
Commander of the Ground Forces, Republic of Botswana

Brigadier Lord Tupou Fielakepa, JFSC Class of 2007
Chief of the Defence Staff, Kingdom of Tonga



FROM THE CLASSROOM



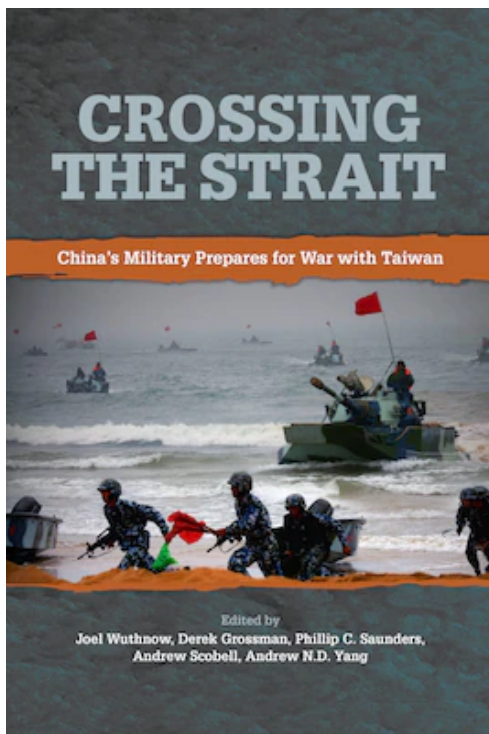
Unable to attend ACCESS? Want to learn more about the topics that were discussed? Now you can! [Check out this link for ACCESS educational and programming materials.](#)

Featuring topics such as:

- Generating Military Advantage in the 21st Century - MG (Ret) Mick Ryan
- Chinese Domestic Politics and Their Impact on Foreign Policy - Dr. Cynthia Watson
- Information Statecraft & Effective Strategic Messaging - Dr. Sonya Finley
- and more...



[Joint Force Quarterly 106](#)
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Both the U.S. and Chinese militaries are increasingly focused on a possible confrontation over Taiwan.

China regards the island as an integral part of its territory and is building military capabilities to deter Taiwan independence and compel Taiwan to accept unification. Based on original research by leading international experts, [Crossing the Strait: China's Military Prepares for War with Taiwan](#) explores the political and military context of cross-strait relations, with a focus on understanding the Chinese decision calculus about when and how to use force, the capabilities the People's Liberation Army would bring to the fight, and what Taiwan can do to defend itself.

ALUMNI ON THE MOVE

Our congratulations to any and all alumni.



Ms. Samira Gaid
Somalia



BG (Ret) Juan de Jesus
Guzman Morales
El Salvador



BG Jaak Tarien
Estonia



CDRE Zakraoui Lotfi
Tunisia



BG David Clouston
UK



BG David Chesire
Kenya



CAPT Diego Grolero
Uruguay



BG Marcelo Yapur
Argentina

Congratulations to:

- Samira Gaid (CISA '21) for the appointment as Executive Director of the Hiraal Institute
- BG (Ret) Juan de Jesus Guzman Morales (ES '10) for his retirement after 36 years of service
- BG Jaak Tarien (ES '18) for his promotion to Brigadier General
- CDRE Zakraoui Lotfi (CISA '20) for his promotion to Commodore
- BG David Clouston MBE (NWC '16) for his retirement
- BG David Chesire (CISA '22) for his promotion to Brigadier General
- CAPT Rodolfo Diego Grolero Schiaffino (JCWS '18) for his assignment as Uruguayan Naval Attaché in DC
- BG Marcelo Yapur (ES '16) for his assignment as Deputy Commander of the 3rd Division of the Argentine Army

HAVE YOU RECENTLY BEEN PROMOTED, ASSIGNED TO A NEW POSITION, OR RETIRED? LET US KNOW! SEND AN EMAIL TO ISMO@NDUALUMNI.ORG OR [FILL OUT THIS SURVEY](#).

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UPDATES AND NEWS



AVM Moses Onilede (NWC '14) met up with BG (ret) Guy Shafran (ES '14) and BG (ret) Gur Shriebman (ES' 14) while in Israel.



BG Shewanth Kulatunge (CISA '18) was appointed General Office Commanding of the 23rd Infantry Division of Sri Lanka



Colonel Jorge Gobeia (CISA '22) was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal Class 3 in Panama.



CISA Professor Andrew Novo visited the Cyprus Center for Land, Open-seas, and Port Security with LTC Andreas Andreou (CISA '22).



In Remembrance



We regret to inform the NDU community of the passing of Jim Carbone, who along with his wife, Claire, had sponsored 39 of our International Fellows at JFSC from 2009-2020. We are grateful to his years of support and service and we send our deepest condolences to his wife and family.