

CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE & SECURITY

2021 - 2022 Annual Report



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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Today, as the world grapples with new and not-so-new security challenges, it is encouraging to know that this exceptional group of people continues to work towards the safety and security of America and the world.

Dear Friends,
This year marks the 35th anniversary of the founding of our Center, and in the intervening years, the world has only grown more complicated. Everywhere we look in 2022, we seem to be confronted with the insecurity of nations and individuals. The Center for International Trade and Security launched in 1987 with the purpose of making the world a more secure place. Former Secretary of State Dean Rusk was an enthusiastic supporter of the new Center because he saw the potential impact that a group of dedicated faculty, staff and students could make. Since that time, CITS has trained more than a thousand leaders from government, industry, nonprofit and academic institutions around the world. And the graduates of our student programs have gone on to play important roles in each of these sectors. Today, as the world grapples with new and not-so-new security challenges, it is encouraging to know that this exceptional group of people continues to work towards the safety and security of America and the world.

Our students, in particular, consistently demonstrate the energy and skills needed for this mission. CITS continues to innovate and expand the curriculum and experiences available to students in both the Master of International Policy (MIP) and Richard B. Russell Security Leadership Program (SLP). This year, the SLP welcomed perhaps the most accomplished group of students in the history of the program, and they immediately got to work solving the Rubik's Cube of today's security environment. Students in the MIP program now have three tracks to choose from: Human Security, Energy Security and Nonproliferation. Students can specialize in the area that interests them most, guided by faculty and fellows with a wealth of expertise and practical experience. The students were especially excited to resume our annual pilgrimage to Washington, D.C. in March of this year. During the week-long program, they were granted access to some of the most important foreign policy and national security institutions in the world, setting them up for career success.

CITS faculty and staff also contributed to a more secure world through projects supported by the State Department, the Department of Defense and the Department of Energy, among others. Of particular note is CITS' brand new relationship with Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL). In 2020, the University of Georgia was awarded a contract as part of a consortium of institutions to assume management of the lab. Valued at \$3.8 billion over the next 10 years, it is a significant and critical new responsibility for the university. In 2021, CITS became the first unit at UGA to support the lab directly under the new agreement. Our faculty and students provide ongoing support in nuclear regulatory, safety and security issues, and we expect this relationship to grow even further in the coming years.

We launched other exciting initiatives throughout the year, as well. Our series of Energy Security events brought together international experts to address the growing complexity of energy policy decisions. And we closed out the year by hosting government officials from North Africa, the first cohort of our Comprehensive Border Management Academy. The Academy provided participants with strategic-level instruction and hands-on tactical training covering various aspects of border security.

The faculty, staff, students and fellows of CITS have been hard at work this year, but our work will never be done. We are always grateful for the generous contributions and support that you, our alumni and friends, have made to the Center over the last 35 years to advance our work. As you flip through this annual report, I hope that you will be encouraged to support us in any way that you can. The mission may never be complete, but together, we are advancing.

Thank you,

Justin Conrad

Gary K. Bertsch Director,
Center for International
Trade and Security
Associate Professor of
International Affairs

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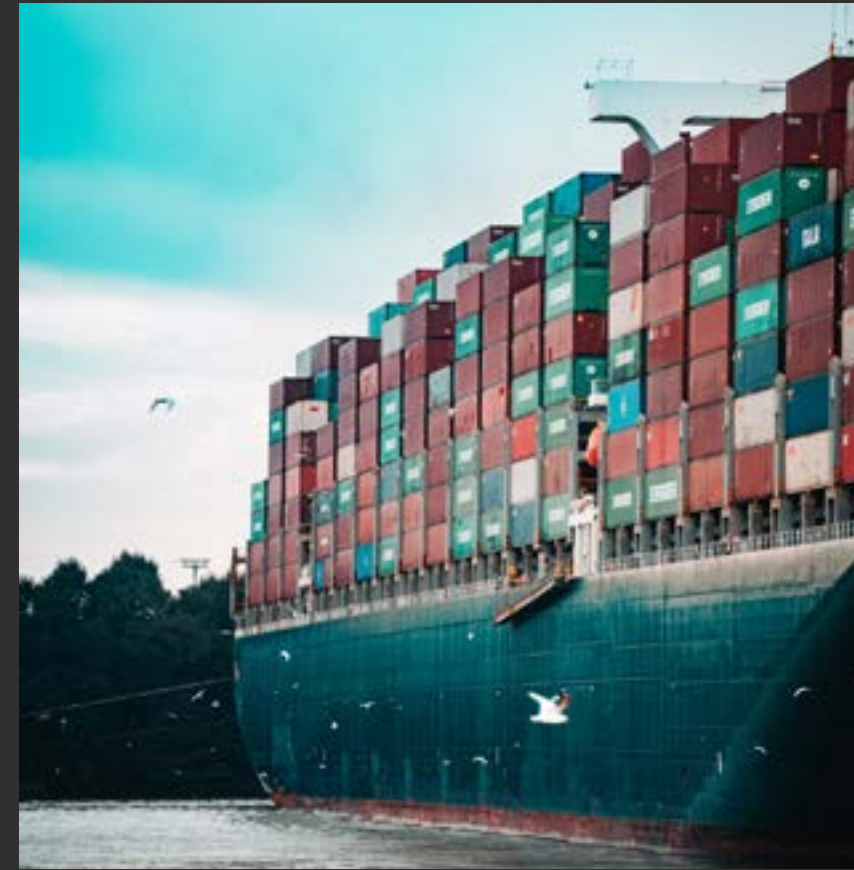
SECURITY CLUSTERS

Thanks to your generous support, CITS facilitates a wide range of research, teaching and policy work in three critical areas: International Security and Nonproliferation, Energy Security, and Human Security. CITS serves as a true “center” of activity, bringing together diverse teams of scholars, practitioners, and students to clearly identify problems and work towards their resolution.



Energy Security

The Energy Security initiative addresses emerging security challenges resulting from the global transition away from high-carbon energy sources. The link between energy policy and national security is well established, but the specter of climate change has elevated its urgency. The initiative brings together prominent academic voices as well as experienced practitioners and policymakers to develop timely solutions.



International Security and Nonproliferation

The International Security and Nonproliferation initiative re-examines our traditional understandings of the proliferation and use of weapons of mass destruction (WMDs). Incorporating new theoretical approaches and the advent of new technologies (e.g., artificial intelligence, hypersonic missiles, etc.), the project seeks to develop a model of deterrence and nonproliferation that is relevant for the 21st century.



Human Security

The Human Security initiative examines a range of factors that influence or threaten the physical, social, and economic well-being of humans. These factors include natural resource and agricultural scarcity, climate change, political violence and political protest, human rights and migration.

NEW FACULTY FELLOWS



During the 2021-2022 academic year, we welcomed three exceptional faculty members to our Faculty Fellows program. These three professors expand the Center's expertise into new territories: cyber security, linguistics and environmental governance.

EMILY BELL
Assistant Professor of Public Administration



VICTORIA HASKO
Associate Professor of Language and Literacy Education
Director, Russian Flagship Program



ROBERTO PERDISCI
Patty and D.R. Grimes Distinguished Professor in Computer Science
Director, Institute for Cybersecurity and Privacy

RETURNING FACULTY FELLOWS

Faculty Fellows participate in all activities at the Center including research, teaching and policy implementation. Our returning Fellows this year:

JEFFREY D. BEREJIKIAN
Associate Professor of International Affairs
Josiah Meigs Distinguished Teaching Professor
Nuclear deterrence, foreign policy



DAVID GATTIE
Associate Professor of Engineering
Energy policy, Energy security



RONGBIN HAN
Associate Professor of International Affairs
Political participation, authoritarianism, democratization, China



GOPINATH MUNISAMY
Professor, Agricultural and Applied Economics
International trade and investment, agricultural policy, economic development



AMANDA MURDIE
Georgia Athletic Association Professor Intergovernmental, Head of the Department of International Affairs
International organizations, human security



RYAN POWERS
Assistant Professor of International Affairs
International trade, globalization, public opinion



MEGAN TURNBULL
Assistant Professor of International Affairs
Political order, political violence, Sub-Saharan Africa



FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

MARGARET ARIOTTI

“Foreign Aid and Judicial Autonomy,” *Review of International Organizations*, 2021.

RONGBIN HAN

“Debating China Beyond the Great Firewall: Digital Disenchantment and Authoritarian Resilience,” *Journal of Chinese Political Science*, 2022.

“Defusing Environmental Activism Through Scientific Greening: Government Framing Strategy and its Effects in China,” *Environmental Policy and Governance*, 2022. (with Juan Du and Weixia Lv)

“Modernization Planner, Authoritarian Paternalist, and Rising Power: Evolving Government Positions in China’s Internet Securitization,” *Journal of Contemporary China*, 2022. (with Weishan Miao)

DAVID GATTIE

“Energy Sovereignty Will Be the Westphalian Principle of the 21st Century,” *National Interest*, 2022. (with Michael Hewitt)

“China and the Importance of Civil Nuclear Energy,” *National Interest*, 2021. (with Robert McFarlane)

GOPINATH MUNISAMY

“DeepAg: Deep Learning Approach for Measuring the Effects of Outlier Events on Agricultural Production and Policy,” *IEEE Symposium Series on Computation Intelligence*, 2021. (with Sai Gurrapu, Feras A. Batarseh, Pei Wang, Md Nazmul Kabir Sikder and Nitish Gorentala)

“Public Policymaking for International Agricultural Trade Using Association Rules and Ensemble Machine Learning,” *Machine Learning with Applications*, 2021 (with Feras A. Batarseh, Anderson Monken and Zhengrong Gu)

MEGAN TURNBULL

“When Armed Groups Refuse to Carry Out Election Violence,” *World Development*, 2021.

EMILY BELL

“Following the Paper Trail: Systematically Analyzing Outputs to Understand Collaborative Governance Evolution,” *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory*, 2021 (with Tomas Oliver)

JUSTIN CONRAD

Militant Competition: How Terrorists and Insurgents Advertise with Violence and How They Can Be Stopped, Cambridge University Press, 2021. (with William Spaniel)

“Revisiting Opportunism in Civil Conflict: Natural Resource Extraction and Health Care Provision,” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 2022. (with Liana Eustacia Reyes and Megan A. Stewart)

“From Russia to Indonesia: How Energy Crises Will Evolve,” *RealClearDefense*, 2022. (with Chase Duncan)

“Competition from Within: Ethnicity, Power and Militant Group Rivalry,” *Defence and Peace Economics*, 2021. (with Samantha Daly, Kevin Greene and Brian Phillips)

“The Terrorists’ Marketplace: Do More Terrorist Groups Always Mean More Violence?” *Modern War Institute at West Point*, 2021. (with William Spaniel)

JEFF BEREJIKIAN

“Defense Treaties Increase Domestic Support for Military Action and Casualty Tolerance: Evidence from Survey Experiments in the United States,” *Contemporary Security Policy*, 2022. (with Florian Justwan)

RYAN POWERS

“International Status Concerns and Domestic Support for Political Leaders,” *American Journal of Political Science*, 2022. (with Jonathan Renshon)

“Poll: Experts Oppose No-Fly Zone Over Ukraine,” *Foreign Policy*, 2022. (with Irene Entringer Garcia Blanes and Michael J. Tierney)

“Poll: Will Russia Invade Ukraine?” *Foreign Policy*, 2022. (with Irene Entringer Garcia Blanes, Susan Peterson and Michael J. Tierney)

MATT AUER

“Income and Insurability as Factors in Wildfire Risk,” *Forests*, 2022. (with Ben Hexamer)

“Proverbs of Administration at 75: Long Live Proverbs?” *Teaching Public Administration*, 2022.

“Considering Equity in Wildfire Protection,” *Sustainability Science*, 2021.

ROBERTO PERDISCI

“SoK: Workerrounds-Categorizing Service Worker Attacks and Mitigations,” *IEEE 7th European Symposium on Security and Privacy*, 2022 (with Karthika Subramani, Jordan Jueckstock and Alexandros Kapravelos)

MARYANN E. GALLAGHER

“Is He Speaking Our Language? Donald Trump’s Leadership Traits in Comparison with Previous Presidents,” *Political Science Quarterly*, 2022. (with Susan Allen)

AMANDA MURDIE

“Hindsight is 2020: Lessons from the COVID-19 Pandemic for Future Human Rights Research,” *Journal of Human Rights*, 2022.

“Do NGO Restrictions Limit Terrorism? Smear Campaigns or Counterterrorism Tools,” *Journal of Global Security Studies*, 2022. (with Jeong-Woo Koo)

“The Will and the Way: How State Capacity and Willingness Jointly Affect Human Rights Improvement,” *Human Rights Review*, 2022. (with Alejandro Anaya-Munoz)

“Interventions and Repression Following Conflict,” *Journal of Peace Research*, 2022. (with Naji Bsisu)

“Turning Up the Volume: The Amplification of Shame,” *Human Rights Quarterly*, 2021. (with Baekkwon Park and David R Davis)

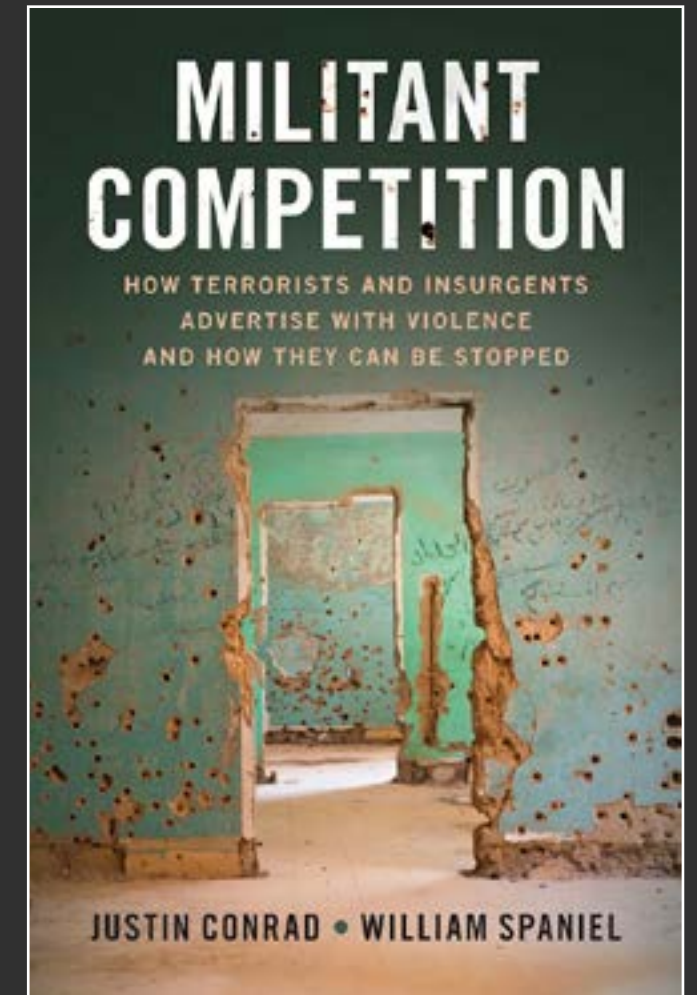
“When Do Environmental NGOs Work? A Test of the Conditional Effectiveness of Environmental Advocacy,” *Environmental Politics*, 2021. (with Raul Pacheco-Vega)

“Abuse by Association: Migration from Terror-Prone Countries and Human Rights Abuses,” *International Interactions*, 2021. (with Nazli Avdan and Naji Bsisu)

“Communities and Brokers: How the Transnational Advocacy Network Simultaneously Provides Social Power and Exacerbates Global Inequalities,” *International Studies Quarterly* (with Huimin Cheng, Ye Wang and Ping Ma)

“The Global Diffusion of the #MeToo Movement,” *Politics and Gender*, 2021. (with Myunghee Lee)

“Revisiting the Causal Links Between Economic Sanctions and Human Rights Violations,” *Political Research Quarterly*, 2021. (with Ryan Yu-Lin Liou and Dursun Peksen)



CITS Director Justin Conrad and William Spaniel (University of Pittsburgh) published *Militant Competition: How Terrorists and Insurgents Advertise with Violence and How They Can Be Stopped* at Cambridge University Press. They examine how competition between militant groups influences their use of violence, and conclude that counterterrorism/counterinsurgency policies may backfire if governments are not careful.

NEW NONRESIDENT FELLOWS



JAMES HOLMES
J.C. Wylie Chair of Maritime
Strategy, U.S. Naval War College



TAMMY TAYLOR
Associate Laboratory Director for
Global Security at Savannah River
National Laboratory

The Center for International Trade and Security benefits from an extensive network of scholars and practitioners through our Nonresident Fellow program. Fellows come from every corner of government, industry and academia and provide a wide breadth of expertise in national and international security. This year, CITS was proud to welcome two renowned experts to the Nonresident Fellows program. These national leaders actively support our students, our faculty, and our staff in meaningful ways.

RETURNING NONRESIDENT FELLOWS

ANTONIO V. BUTLER, JR.
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Director of the Anti-Corruption
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Pacific Northwest National
Laboratory

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Consultant, NexINT Global

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Undergraduate Research
Assistant

September 22
HEINO KLINCK

Former U.S. Deputy Assistant
Secretary of Defense for East Asia
*"America's Alliances and the
China Challenge"*



October 27
VIPIN NARANG

Frank Stanton Professor of Nuclear
Security and Political Science, MIT
"The New Nuclear Age"



January 26
ALICE HILL

David M. Rubenstein Senior Fellow
for Energy and the Environment
Council on Foreign Relations
*"The Role of Climate Resilience in
International Security"*



GLOBAL DECISIONS

2021-2022 LECTURE SERIES

February 23
JAE HO CHUNG

Director of the Program on US-China
Relations, Seoul National University
*"Walking the Tight Rope: Korea
Between the United States and China"*



March 16
RACHEL MYRICK

Assistant Professor of
Political Science,
Duke University *"Polarization
and American Foreign Policy"*



SECURITY LEADERSHIP PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Greetings SLP Alumni and Friends,

This past academic year was filled with many exciting opportunities for students in the Richard B. Russell Security Leadership Program (SLP). After a year in hybrid format due to COVID, students in the 2021-2022 SLP cohort returned to in-person classes in August 2021 eager to join the CITS community and develop their policy analysis and writing skills. We were fortunate to have several alumni visits in the fall, which introduced students to careers in consulting (Megan Gillahan), export controls (Jack Slagle), intelligence and government services (Warren Stenbridge and Matilda Segal), and diplomacy (Kendra Pengelly).

Students put the policy writing and oral briefing skills they developed throughout the fall semester to the test in a two-week simulation of the US National Security Council (NSC). As members of the NSC, they collaborated to write a National Security Strategy, as well as juggled a number of “ripped-from-the-headlines” crises, such as an incident in the South China Sea, and several surprise crises. Many students' reflections on the experience echoed the sentiments of Ashni Patel, the Advisor on Asia, who noted: “The NSC simulation taught me problem-solving, briefing, and communication skills. With numerous problems being thrown at us day-to-day, I, along with my peers, had to think creatively and quickly about solving issues.”

We were thrilled to resume the CITS DC Spring Break Trip after a year hiatus. Students from the SLP and MIP had the opportunity to visit a variety of government institutions, think tanks, and private sector organizations. One notable highlight for many students was our visit to the State Department to meet with US Undersecretary of State for Arms Control and International Security, Ambassador Bonnie Jenkins. We are grateful to the nearly 75 DC-based SLP and MIP alumni who joined us for dinner at Carmines and can't wait to see you all again in March 2023! In the spring semester, students completed independent research projects on issues ranging from terrorist organizations use of kidnapping, to violence against women in politics, to NATO's strategic focus on environmental security issues (see page 17 for a full list of titles). Last year we started a professionalization series in the spring to prepare students for life after UGA. The professionalization meetings and alumni visits throughout the year, coupled with the trip to DC, have had tangible effects on the places where SLP students are interning, working, and continuing their studies. Students in the most recent cohort spent this

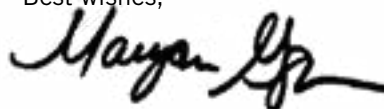
summer interning with organizations such as the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Noblis, and the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies. Our recent graduates have accepted positions at the US Department of Justice, Department of Treasury, CSIS, and Deloitte, among many other excellent employers. Those pursuing postgraduate law degrees and graduate programs were accepted to institutions including Harvard, American University, Georgetown, University of Virginia, University of Denver, and, of course, UGA (Go Dawgs!).

Finally, among the many achievements of SLP students that we celebrated this year were four of UGA's six Truman Scholarship nominees (Zainub Ali, Simi Kolodka, Natalie Navarrete, and Christopher Rosselot), two Fulbright award winners (Emma Traynor and Rosa Brown), a Boren Scholar (Natalie Navarrete, who will be spending the year in Kazakhstan), a Schwarzman Scholars Finalist (Marshall Berton), four recipients of First Honors (Elizabeth Howell, Julie Kettle, Ayah Abdelwahab, and Mennah Abdelwahab), and two recipients of the Presidential Award of Excellence (Ayah and Mennah Abdelwahab).

The SLP's reputation as the premier program at UGA for students pursuing careers in national and international security led to an outstanding pool of candidates for the incoming 2022-2023 cohort. All of us at CITS are excited to welcome the new cohort of SLP students, who represent majors across campus including International Affairs, Computer Science, Russian, French, Religion, Journalism and Criminal Justice.

On behalf of the SLP, thank you for all that you as alumni and friends have done to help support these formative student experiences and maintain the SLP's prominence in training the next generation of national security leaders. We're excited for the opportunities that the year ahead will bring!

Best wishes,



Maryann E. Gallagher, PhD
Director, Richard B. Russell Security Leadership Program
Senior Lecturer, Department of International Affairs

RESEARCH

OLIVIA BAUER

“Insurgencies or Gangs: An Analysis of Service Provision by Criminal Organizations”

DAN DOSS

“How Should Energy Security Influence Investments in Alternative Energy?”

CATHERINE FENDER

“Terrorist Outbidding: The Effects of Leadership Decapitation on Terrorist Group Recruitment”

HALEY GAMIS

“A Chain Reaction: Evaluation of the Security Threat to Global Supply Chain Chokepoints posed by the Belt and Road Initiative”

JEANELLE GARCIA

“Sexual Violence and the Welfare of Women in ICE Detention Facilities”

HAYLEY HUNTER

“How NATO Has Used Environmental Security as a Strategy of Engagement”

ELIZABETH HOWELL

“Kidnapping in Terrorist Groups: Money, Power, and Recruitment”

PATRICK JACKSON

“Comparative Analysis of UN and NATO Authorizations for Use of Force”

SONIA KALIA

“The Radical Right & Violence Against Women in Politics”

JULIE KETTLE

“The Yassification of the Radical Right: The Use of Homonationalism for Gender Diversification in Radical Right Support Bases.”

SIMI KOLODKA

“Lock Her Up: A Gender Analysis of Violence Against Women in Politics & Extreme Right Recruitment Tactics”

SOPHIA MACARTNEY

“Naming and Shaming: How Does Regime Type Affect Terrorist Organization Designation?”

ASHNI PATEL

“The Sexy Side of Development: Sex Industries and Global Development Projects”

HANNAH SKINNER

“Not Just a Man's World: The Rise of Women's Incarceration in Latin America”

JOSHUA WALKER

“The Bit about BITs: Bilateral Investment Treaties and the Black Market”





SUPPORT OF SAVANNAH RIVER NATIONAL LABORATORY

In 2020, UGA was awarded a contract – as part of a consortium of universities and private firms - to manage one of the nation's most important environmental, energy and security research facilities at the Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL). This year, CITS became the first unit within UGA to support the lab under the new contract. CITS faculty and staff have provided ongoing strategic analysis in the areas of regulatory and public engagement,

environmental management, and national security. In addition, CITS has begun collaborating with SRNL's leadership on workforce development, with the intention to offer internship programs and post-graduate employment opportunities for our students.

MASTER OF INTERNATIONAL POLICY DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Greetings,

The 2021-22 Academic Year opened with the promise of a return to normalcy. Masks were doffed, classes shifted from virtual settings to personal gatherings, and CITS offices once again were animated with students, practitioners, visiting scholars, and foreign partners. The race for a national championship further fueled enthusiasm across campus as Georgia's red and black and "Glory, Glory" were featured prominently on the national stage throughout fall semester culminating with a victory in the title game.

In late February, a short six weeks after Georgia clinched the national championship title, events on a much bigger stage replaced much of the excitement and celebration with a more somber atmosphere as Russia's invasion of Ukraine cast a sobering shadow across the international community. For those in the MIP program, the invasion seized our attention and sharpened our sense of purpose as energy security, human security, and nonproliferation issues began dominating the headlines and our news feeds.

A fresh sense of urgency filled the classrooms of nonproliferation and export control courses such as Mr. Walt Sansot's Technical Background for WMD Non-

proliferation Policy Practitioners and Politics of Trade and Security. Demand soared for Dr. David Gattie's newly approved Technical Foundations of Energy Security for Policy Practitioners course, a joint endeavor between SPIA's International Affairs Department and the College of Engineering. The salience of these courses and the MIP's focus on core skills including policy writing, research design, and data analytics, ensured that MIP graduates were well prepared to contribute to the most pressing international policy debates of the day.

An abundance of experiential opportunities complemented coursework. Following a brief hiatus, Dr. Maryann Gallagher and I were excited to revive the annual Washington D.C. trip. Members of the MIP junior cohort and our colleagues in the Security Leadership Program (SLP) spent spring break visiting a variety of agencies, offices, and think tanks. A preponderance of our visits were facilitated by UGA/CITS alum including Jack Maerz (SLP '18) at the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, Hannah Kelley (MIP '21) at the Center for a New American Security (CNAS), Tori Sanchez (UGA '10) at the Department of State, John Christian (MIP '21) at the Global American Business Institute

(GABI), Danielle Wilburn (MIP '17) and Juan Hernandez (MIP '17) at Noblis, Boris Abreu (MIP '21) at the American Enterprise Institute (AEI), and Matilda Segal (SLP '19) and Warren Stenbridge (UGA '85) at Amentum. As always, the CITS alumni dinner was the highlight of the week drawing a record attendance of over 70 CITS alumni. Shortly after returning from D.C., MIP students volunteered in force to assist the CITS staff with hosting UGA's inaugural Energy Security Conference which featured a wide range of energy experts representing industry, government, and academia. Most prominently, Chase Duncan (MIP '23) chaired the Energy Infrastructure and the Grid panel.

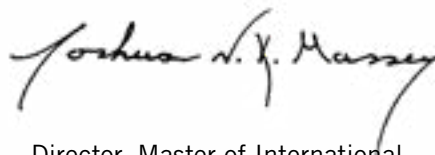
In May, twenty students walked across the stage in Stegeman Coliseum to receive their Master of International Policy degree. These graduates accepted positions with a variety of government agencies including the Department of State, Department of Defense, and the Government Services Administration as well as global consultancy firms, contractors, and corporations such as, Amentum, Exiger, Control Risks, and NCR. Their junior peers in the class of 2023 gained valuable experience

interning at the Department of Commerce, Deloitte, KPMG, Pratt and Whitney, and Noblis and participating in Brookhaven National Lab's Nuclear Nonproliferation, Safeguards, and Security course. Others received prominent fellowship awards. Noah Turner ('22) was named a finalist for the Presidential Management Fellowship (PMF) and Jon Christian ('21) was selected for the Department of Energy's NNSA Graduate Fellowship Program (NGFP).

Events of the past year were a stark reminder of the enduring need to train thoughtful, dedicated security-policy professionals. Thanks to the continued support of CITS' many friends, faculty, practitioners, and loyal alumni, the MIP program continues to evolve and better prepare our students to answer that call.

Best,

JOSHUA MASSEY



Director, Master of International Policy, Senior Research Associate, Center for International Trade and Security



2021-22 MIP CAPSTONES

JACOB ANDERSON

"Sowing Love, Reaping Peace? The Role of Education in Preventing Right-Wing Radicalization"

DUYAN BEYAN

"The Role of Racial Bias Toward African Americans in the United States Healthcare System"

COLLIN BOYD

"The Bargaining Model of War V. The Russian Invasion Of Ukraine"

ADRIANA DALE

"Understanding Information Operations in Modern Warfare: Looking to the Past and the Present to Inform the Future"

BARBARA DEL CASTELLO

"The Impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic on Public Risk Perception and Policy Preference for Bioterrorism"

KELLY DOBSO

"How the U.S. and a Multinational Banana Monopoly Disenfranchised Guatemala and Disrupted Its Developing Democracy"

SARAH QUINN EZZARGHANI

"Norm-Alizing Ecocide: What the Campaign to Make Ecocide the Fifth International Crime Can Learn from Norms Literature"

BRICE FINCHER

"Tripped: How the American Public Views Responses to Limited Nuclear Stricke Scenarios on a U.S. Ally"

EMILY HUDSON

"The Deterioration of Latin America's Social, Cultural, and Physical Landscapes in the Name of Progress"

NAMRATA KELLA

"All for One and One for All: The Relationship Between Human Rights and the Closing of Civil Society Spaces"

LAREDO LOYD

"Nuclear Power: Stark Realities and a Way Forward"

LYDIA MCCOY

"A Recipe for Success: Norm Diffusion in Post-Civil Conflict States"

ANNA MILUKAS

"The Fairer Sex? An Analysis of Women, Risk, and Nuclear Use"

ZACHARY ROBERTS

"Conclusion of Crisis? Finding the Road to Recovery in Yemen's Long Collapse"

SARTHAK SHARMA

"Clean Hydrogen Energy: An Assessment of the Potential for a Low-Carbon Hydrogen Economy"

SHANNON STEVENSON

"The Empty Throne of Civilian Nuclear Energy"

COLEMAN TAPPERO

"Framing Effects on American Preferences Towards Low Yield Tactical Nukes"

NOAH TURNER

"Ethiopian Power: An Analysis of the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam for Ethiopia and East Africa"

CITS DC TRIP

Our exciting DC program returned in 2022, thanks to the support of our donors, including the Richard B. Russell Foundation and Mrs. Robin Benson. Students from the Security Leadership Program (SLP) and Master of International Policy (MIP) program had a jam-packed itinerary that included visits to the U.S. Senate, the State Department, and a variety of thinktanks and major defense companies. The delegation even met with Ambassador Bonnie Jenkins and learned about U.S. efforts to reduce chemical, biological, nuclear and radiological (CBRN) threats around the world.

“As a senior, this trip was immensely valuable. Reading about an organization is one thing, but actually meeting and engaging with staff is another. Having the chance to tour an organization and speak candidly with employers was tremendously helpful as I prepare to enter the workforce. I not only learned about job opportunities I wasn’t familiar with, but also about the skills and background employers are looking for. As I write cover letters and prepare for interviews, I feel like I have a much stronger understanding of what organizations are looking for.”

• AYAH ABDELWAHAB

“I am incredibly grateful for those who made it possible for us to have this opportunity. Not only did it allow me to get a sense of what working in DC and in the national security field looks like, but it also gave me a jumpstart into networking with other DC professionals who are now able and willing to help me as I move into a career in the future!”

• CATHERINE FENDER



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UGA ENERGY OUTLOOK

The inaugural UGA Energy Outlook was the first of several major collaborations between CITS and the College of Engineering this year. Held on January 12th in Atlanta, the program featured an analysis of energy policy decisions at the local, state, national and international levels. Many of Georgia's key decision makers from government and industry were in attendance. CITS' data-driven approach provided these leaders with the information they need to make informed energy decisions for the foreseeable future.



ENERGY SECURITY CONFERENCE

Our second major collaboration with the College of Engineering during the year was April's Energy Security Conference. The "Energy Security: Challenges and Opportunities in a Lower Carbon Future" conference addressed emerging security challenges and opportunities resulting from global efforts to lower CO2 emissions. Industry, government and academic experts from around the world joined us at the Georgia Center for a day of intense discussions that forged productive, policy-informing relationships.

CBMA

COMPREHENSIVE BORDER MANAGEMENT ACADEMY

CITS was proud to host the inaugural Comprehensive Border Management Academy (CBMA) in June. The CBMA offers a wider conception of border management by introducing contingencies that often complicate and diminish the effectiveness of routine border control procedures such as migration flows, refugee crises, terrorism, disease, and illicit trade. In collaboration with the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) and the U.S. Department of State (DOS), we

welcomed participants from five countries in North Africa – Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Morocco, and Tunisia. The twelve-day program combined classroom learning with hands-on field training in border security. Beginning in Athens on UGA's campus, the cohort traveled to Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport and ended the experience at PNNL's campus across the country in Richland, Washington.





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