



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY  
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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:  
College of International Security Affairs  
Office of the Chancellor

4 March 2020

Dear Incoming Class of 2021:

Congratulations on your acceptance into the College of International Security Affairs (CISA) at the National Defense University. CISA is one of NDU's five senior-level colleges and is designated as the Department of Defense flagship for education and building of partnership capacity in combating terrorism and irregular warfare at the strategic level. The College's mission is to educate and prepare civilian and military national security professional and future leaders from the United States and partner nations for the strategic challenges of the contemporary security environment.

Your selection to attend this joint military education program at NDU recognizes your potential for significant future contributions to your service, agency, and nation. In addition to the rigor of the academic program, you will also have the opportunity to interact and learn from your peers from all over the globe. CISA alumni cite these professional and personal linkages as one of their highlights during their time here at NDU.

As you prepare to join us, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Sheila DeTurk, Director of Student Services, at (202) 685-7784 or [Sheila.DeTurk@ndu.edu](mailto:Sheila.DeTurk@ndu.edu). On behalf of the College, I would like to extend a warm welcome and best wishes towards your academic and professional success.

Sincerely,

Ambassador Erica J. Barks-Ruggles  
Acting Chancellor  
College of International Security Affairs