U.S., International Officers at Army War College create civ-mil links

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International officers studying at the U.S. Army War College received Pennsylvania honors, thanks to members of the Harrisburg Foreign Policy Association, which share the war college's commitment to respectful, effective relationships with counterparts in other countries.

AWC Deputy Commandant Col. Kimo Gallahue welcomed the group to the 44th annual reception linking the FPA members and international members of the War College student body, at Carlisle, Pa., March 17, 2022.

"This event is a clear and strong representation of the vibrant and vital relationship that the state of Pennsylvania and the U.S. Army war College enjoy to our mutual benefit," said Gallahue.

Pa. Senator Judy Ward, of Pennsylvania's 30th Senatorial District, represented the Pa. Commonwealth with Senatorial Certificates of

Col. 'Bert' Stam, the Netherlands'
Fellow in the Army War College 2022
Class, accepts a Pa. Senate Certificate
of Recognition from Pa. Sen. Judy
Ward, with Harrisburg's Foreign
Policy Association Pres. Howard
Davison & USAWC's Col. Kimo
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Col. Joe Hyunkwon, Army War College fellow from Republic of Korea accepts honor from Pa. Sen. Judy Ward at PA Honors event sponsored by Central Pa's Foreign Policy Ass @ Carlisle, Pa, Mar 17 '22, with FPA Pres. Howard Davison (l) and COL K.

Recognition for each Fellow.

Integration of senior allied and partner nations' officers began with just a handful of International Officers in the class of 1978. Now, the resident student body include 80 International Fellows from 75 countries, many who are joined by their families for the year of graduate-level professional military education, said Gallahue.

"The opportunity to meet, get to know one another, and discuss matters important to the United States and the nations you, the International Fellows, represent is a unique and valuable opportunity to advance foreign policy knowledge, awareness, and dialogue.

"We should all feel privileged to be a part of this," said Gallahue.

The Foreign Policy Association of Central Pennsylvania is headed by President Howard Davison. Like many of the FPA members, his background comprises experience in industry, education, travel and international relationships -- informing a keen interest in U.S. foreign policy. Gallahue quoted Davison as saying that, "the best way to learn about another country is by meeting and getting to know the people of that country and to learn from them"

Davison captured the intent of the International Fellows Program at the Army War College, where U.S. and international military officers learn from one another daily in classes, academic projects, exercises in policy and campaigning, as well as sports and social events, learning from one another, noted Col. Brian Henderson, director of the USAWC International Fellows Program.

"This is a strategically important program because of how it provides a global viewpoint to what would otherwise be a U.S.-centric education," said Henderson.

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