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Maj. Gen. Yossif Baidatz, Commandant of the Israeli National Defense College, talks with Col. Richard Lacquement, Dean of the School of Strategic Landpower, during a visit to the Army War College Oct. 25.

Oct. 25, 2012 -- Leadership from the Israeli National Defense College came to the Army War College Oct. 25 to meet with expert War College faculty and discuss leadership, educating leaders in national security and strategy and the challenges of cyberspace.

“We have graduates from here so we know of the excellence of the curriculum and faculty,” said Israeli Maj. Gen. Yossif Baidatz, Commandant of the INDC. “We wanted to come here to learn more about and explore different techniques of leader education, especially in the area of national security and strategy.”

Both schools can learn from each other he said.

“It’s important for schools like ours to talk and see how we educate leaders,” he said. “The challenges that our militaries face are similar in many instances and by sharing ideas and techniques, we can all be more successful.”

The group also met with leaders at the National Defense University as part of their Near East South Asia Center for Strategic Studies program. The INDC is working to complement the writing of an Israeli National Security Strategy by creating the forum for educating the critical strategic thinkers across various government agencies so they are intellectually equipped to lead Israel in the 21st Century.

