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Annenberg Fellowship Summer 2024

The Council of American Ambassadors (CAA) recently bid farewell to its 2024 class of Walter and Leonore Annenberg Fellows at its graduation dinner on July 24 hosted at the DACOR Bacon House.

The eight Fellows continued to receive excellent academic instruction and opportunities through the CAA partnership with the Institute of World Politics (IWP). This specially designed 10-week course enabled our Fellows to meet and learn from scholars and practitioners of statecraft and intelligence.

Through the Annenberg Fellows Alumni Association and its presidents, Donna Faye Imadi (an associate with Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP and 2018 Fellow), and Luke Zaro (Deputy Chief Counsel for Oversight at the House Judiciary Committee and 2015 Fellow), we also were able to connect the eight 2024 Fellows with their predecessor fellows via peer mentorships, complementing the individual mentoring provided by CAA members. The Alumni Association held its second annual event -- a Jefferson-style dinner discussion focused on *Cyber Warfare and Critical Infrastructure Attacks* -- for which Mr. Tom Wingfield of RAND gave the keynote address.

The 2024 Walter and Leonore Annenberg Fellows are: Christine Baek (Brown University), Eugenia Hartness (University of Pennsylvania), Anya Karumanchi (Georgetown University), Will Kohn (Emory University), Libbie Larsen (Georgetown University), Celeste Lynch (Wake Forest University), Nicholas Neuman (Purdue University), and Pranav Pattatathunaduvil (Yale University).

CAA is grateful to the following CAA members who mentored the 2024 class of Fellows: Ambassadors Julia Chang Bloch, Timothy Chorba, Jason Chung, G. Philip Hughes, John Maisto, J. Peter Pham and Tom Siebert. We thank them for their tireless support.



First day at IWP class with IWP President, Ambassador Aldona Wos and Academic Dean Dr. Jim Robbins



Briefing with House Foreign Affairs Committee Counsel and Chief Investigator, Mary Kabir-Seraj Bischoping



Waiting for Secretary of State Antony Blinken to arrive for a House Foreign Affairs Committee hearing



Welcome Dinner, keynote address by Director-General of the Foreign Service, Marcia Bernicat



Annenberg Alumni Association dinner, keynote address by RAND Senior International/Defense



Ambassador Dina Kawar of the Kingdom of Jordan addressed the Annenberg Fellows and IWP in an off-the-record discussion



Ambassador Aldona Wos, Ambassador Dina Kawar, and Ambassador Louise Oliver



Discussion with Ambassador Mentors and Annenberg Fellows



Ambassador Mentors, Peer Mentors (Annenberg Alumni), and Annenberg Fellows



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