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*“A campaign against extremism will not succeed with bullets or bombs alone.”*

—President Barack Obama March 27, 2009



## Looking for a Challenge?

The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) is actively recruiting experienced officers to serve in Afghanistan. These are non-career Foreign Service Limited Appointments, for up to five years, requiring at least a Bachelor's degree and eight years of relevant experience, four of which must be overseas.

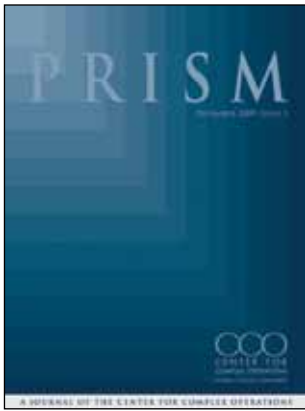
For more information and to apply, go to <http://www.usaid.gov/careers/fsls.html>

The United States has a long history of extending a helping hand to people overseas struggling to make a better life, to recover from a disaster or to live in a free and democratic country. It is this caring that stands as a hallmark of the United States—and shows the world our true character as a nation.

The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) works in almost 110 countries around the world to meet these goals. [www.usaid.gov](http://www.usaid.gov)

*“As President, my greatest responsibility is to protect the American people... We are in Afghanistan to confront a common enemy that threatens the United States, our friends and allies, and the people of Afghanistan and Pakistan who have suffered the most at the hands of violent extremists. So I want the American people to understand that we have a clear and focused goal: to disrupt, dismantle, and defeat al Qaeda in Pakistan and Afghanistan, and to prevent their return to either country in the future... To achieve our goals, we need a stronger, smarter and comprehensive strategy.”*

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## New Journal from NDU Press

# PRISM

National Defense University (NDU) is pleased to introduce *PRISM*, a complex operations journal. *PRISM* will explore, promote, and debate emerging thought and best practices as civilian capacity increases in operations in order to address challenges in stability, reconstruction, security, counterinsurgency, and irregular warfare. *PRISM* complements *Joint Force Quarterly*, introduced by General Colin Powell, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, 16 years ago to similarly advance joint force integration and understanding.



*PRISM* welcomes articles on a broad range of complex operations issues, especially those that focus on the nexus of civil-military integration. The journal will be published four times a year both online and in hardcopy. It will debut in December 2009. Manuscripts submitted to *PRISM* should be between 2,500 and 6,000 words in length and sent via email to [prism@ndu.edu](mailto:prism@ndu.edu).



## Call for Entries for the 2010

### Secretary of Defense National Security Essay Competition *and* Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Strategic Essay Competition



Are you a Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) student? Imagine your winning essay in the pages of a future issue of *Joint Force Quarterly*. In addition, imagine a chance to catch the ear of the Secretary of Defense or the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on an important national security issue; recognition by peers and monetary prizes await the winners.

**Who's Eligible:** Students at the JPME colleges, schools, and programs, including Service research fellows and international students.

**What:** Research and write an original, unclassified essay in one or more of the various categories. May be done in conjunction with a course writing requirement. Must be selected by and submitted through your college.

**When:** Essays may be written any time during the 2009–2010 academic year, but students are encouraged to begin the

process early and avoid the end-of-academic-year rush that typically occurs each spring. JPME colleges are free to run their own internal competitions to select nominees but must meet these **deadlines**:

- **April 27, 2010:** colleges submit nominated essays to NDU Press for first round of judging.
- **May 18–19, 2010:** final judging and selection of winners.

National Defense University Press conducts the competitions with the generous support of the NDU Foundation. For further information, see your college's essay coordinator or go to:

[www.ndu.edu/inss/Press/NDUPress\\_SECDEFEC.htm](http://www.ndu.edu/inss/Press/NDUPress_SECDEFEC.htm)  
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