The John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding at Dartmouth educates, convenes, and empowers students, faculty, and the community to confront significant challenges facing the world. Through informed global dialogue, experiential education, and research we strive to bring the world to Dartmouth and Dartmouth to the world to engage with and have an impact on today’s great issues.
Dear Friends,

Summer at Dartmouth is special. Towels in hand, students hike up from the Connecticut River, energized from a refreshing dip. “I’m going every day,” one sophomore told me, proud to commit to an invigorating, weather-be-damned routine.

Here at the Dickey Center, we also aim to show up and make a difference every day—by educating, convening, and empowering.

As we emerge from the pandemic, students appear as eager as ever to explore the world. We saw record interest in our international internships, Lombard post-graduate fellowships, and our partnered programs, fielding more applications than we could accommodate.

Last fall, we celebrated our 40th anniversary. We thanked Bill Obenshain ’62, T ’63 for his decade of leading our Board of Visitors, and welcomed Liz McClintock ’86 as our new chair. We also welcomed speakers who challenged us to think about great issues: democracy, authoritarianism, and freedom of speech. Dissidents Garry Kasparov (USSR) and Evan Mawarire (Zimbabwe) visited in October, enthralling a packed audience with their commitment to speaking out for political freedom even as they faced jail and exile for doing so (read more about the “Voices of Freedom” event on page 8).

That inaugural event of our Dissent & Democracy project launched cross-Dartmouth collaborations like the Democracy Summit with the student-led Dartmouth Political Union (See more about our work with the DPU on page 8). We heard from dissident and Iranian American journalist Masih Alinejad, speaking on women’s freedoms, and from scholar Pradap Mehta (India), on the state of political freedom in Modi’s India. Other distinguished visitors, from Guðni Th. Jóhannesson, President of Iceland, who spoke about Arctic issues, to security analyst Michael Kofman who explored future scenarios in Ukraine and Russia, all engaged students, faculty, and the greater Dartmouth community, reminding us about the broad scope of compelling issues.

Our Initiative for Global Security (IGS) in its second year welcomed scholars and post-docs, and held its second annual Global Security Forum in Washington, DC this April, bringing together Dartmouth scholars and policymakers to discuss US-China tensions, the future of Europe, the multilateral system, and pandemic preparedness (see more about the DC Forum on page 12). Our undergraduate War & Peace Fellows visited Brussels and the Hague last fall, and Washington, DC this spring (read about their trips on page 19 and 20).

I had the pleasure of joining the Fellows on their trip to the Capitol and was reminded how talented and curious Dartmouth students are, eager to roll up their sleeves and take on complex and challenging international issues.

The news can be overwhelming and disheartening, which is why we work to showcase practitioners and experts who demonstrate problem-solving. As part of our work on Global Health, the Pandemic Security Project bore fruit in the form of a timely publication, and we were proud to help launch the Covid Task Force report, “Lessons from the Covid War.” Co-authored by Dartmouth Professor Kendall Hoyt and former Ambassador Philip Zelikow, the report lays out the lessons to be learned from the pandemic and a blueprint for preventing the next one (read more about the Pandemic Security Project on page 14).
In May, we hosted international experts for a two-day Powering Peace workshop, to explore ways to increase renewable energy options in fragile nations who play host to significant UN peacekeeping missions. Participants from the United Arab Emirates, Norway and the Democratic Republic of Congo, from business, and finance, IRENA and the UN, were joined by Dartmouth classes and faculty, including professors from the Thayer School of Engineering, the Irving Institute, and the Tuck School of Business.

This spring, we hosted as Magro Fellow former Ambassador Jim Swan, who in Somalia led one of the largest UN missions. The undergraduate seminar he taught, “The UN in the Global Arena,” was part of the International Studies Minor and a wonderful introduction to international cooperation and institutions. We also had the pleasure of hosting Hanna Tetteh, former foreign minister of Ghana and current UN Envoy for the Horn of Africa.

Our Institute of Arctic Studies continues to grow and reach new communities. Dr. Gwen Akearok spent time with us as Canada Fulbright Arctic Research Chair and hosted path-breaking workshops aimed at indigenizing Arctic research and establishing a roadmap for researchers and Arctic communities alike. The launch of the Arctic Innovation Scholars engaged a new group of undergraduates and allowed us to expand our collaboration further across the Dartmouth community (see more about the Arctic Innovation Scholars on page 18).

All of which leaves us excited about the year ahead. In preparation, we’re putting the finishing touches on our strategic plan and lining up speakers and visitors. We’re exploring ways to connect even better with the Dartmouth community and across the world. A key goal is to demonstrate impact: on our students, on the lives of those around us, and on the great issues in the world. As these pages will show, I think we’re making a difference and we look forward to another 40 years of aspiring to address the world’s problems.

I hope to see you soon!

Victoria K. Holt

The Dickey Center is grateful for the hard work and dedication of its staff, who have made significant contributions to our success over the past year. In particular, Thomas Candon, who has been with us for 15 years, Victoria Hicks, a Dickey Center veteran of 35 years, Sharon Tribou-St. Martin, who has been with us for 15 years, and Dawn Carey, who has already made a positive impact in her two years here—all have played an essential role in our efforts to have an impact and further international understanding at Dartmouth. We are proud to have such a talented and dedicated team.
The Dickey Center for International Understanding is the living legacy of John Sloan Dickey, Dartmouth College’s Twelfth President (1945-1970).

The Dickey Center was founded in 1982 by former students of John Sloan Dickey who sought to honor his commitment to socially responsible internationalism. Through exposure to a broad range of subjects and academic approaches, Dartmouth students have the singular opportunity, and special responsibility, to take what they learn here into the world. Our responsibility is to inspire current Dartmouth students, as President Dickey inspired so many former ones, to become globally conscious citizens who can make the world a better place.

l-r, Dwight D. Eisenhower, 34th President of the United States, with John Sloan Dickey, commencement 1953. Photo courtesy of the Rauner Special Collections Library.

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We thank all members of our Board past and present for their commitment to and support of the Dickey Center and Dartmouth.

We are fortunate to have a dedicated Board of Visitors with vast experience in international affairs. Appointed for a period of four years, Visitors may be asked to serve an additional two years. The Board meets twice a year in Hanover. You may find their biographies at https://dickey.dartmouth.edu/about/people.

At the Board’s spring meeting, we bid farewell to five members who have all been extraordinarily committed to the Center and supported it in innumerable ways: Angad Banga ’06, Geeta Anand ’89, Tony Magro ’76, Kuo Chuan (KC) Kung ’91, and Aly Rahim ’02.

Geeta Anand, journalist and author, dean and professor at Berkeley’s School of Journalism, is passionate about promoting international understanding at Dartmouth, and she worked closely with key staff and faculty to make that happen. She said, “I loved working to bring an international perspective to campus, and I learned hugely from Directors Dan Benjamin and Tori Holt. I am grateful to them and the vibrant board members who are so dedicated to serving Dartmouth and the world.”

Tony Magro is a Partner at Evercore, a leading Investment Bank focused on providing strategic advice and transaction execution on Mergers & Acquisitions. Tony served on the Board of Dickey for 6 years and his family endowed the Magro Distinguished Visiting Practitioner’s Program, which brings global experts like National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan to campus for term-long periods. Reflecting on his experience on the Dickey Board, Tony commented, “I have learned a lot from Dickey and feel privileged to have been associated with this far reaching center for Global Dartmouth. With global challenges ever greater, and international understanding ever more elusive, Dickey is highly important and effective in bringing the world to Dartmouth and Dartmouth to the world.”

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Event Highlights

20 Sept, 2022
EMPOWERING ARCTIC INDIGENOUS PEOPLES
Dalee Sambo Dorough, Associate Professor, University of Alaska. Sponsored by the Institute of Arctic Studies.

22 Sept, 2022
CATASTROPHIC SUCCESS: WHY FOREIGN-IMPOSED REGIME CHANGE GOES WRONG
Alexander B Downes, Professor of Political Science and International Affairs and co-director of the Institute for Security and Conflict Studies, George Washington University. Sponsored by the Initiative for Global Security and the Political Violence FieldLab.

29 Sept, 2022
VACCINE HESITANCY AND MISINFORMATION: SOURCES AND SOLUTIONS
Brendan Nyhan, James O. Freedman Presidential Professor in the Department of Government, Dartmouth College; Lindsey Leininger, Clinical Professor of Business Administration, Tuck School of Business, and Faculty Director of the Tuck Center for Health Care; Kendall Hoyt, Faculty Director of the Pandemic Security Project, The John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding, Asst. Professor of Medicine, Geisel School of Medicine, Senior Lecturer, Thayer School of Engineering; Thomas J. Bollyky, Director of the Global Health Program and senior fellow for global health, economics, and development, the Council on Foreign Relations; Gillian SteelFisher, Senior Research Scientist, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health; Benjamin Chan, New Hampshire State Epidemiologist and Infectious Disease and International Health Provider. Sponsored by the Global Health Initiative and part of the Pandemic Security Project.

3 Oct, 2022, The Obenshain Family Great Issues Lecture
WHAT SHOULD THE UNITED STATES FIGHT FOR? A DIALOGUE ON UKRAINE, NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND THE US GLOBAL ROLE

18 Oct, 2022
SPIN DICTATORS: GLOBALIZATION AND THE CHANGING FACE OF TYRANNY IN THE 21ST CENTURY
Sergei Guriev, Provost and Professor, Sciences Po, Paris. Sponsored with the Globalization Cluster at Dartmouth, the Department of Economics, and the Tuck School of Business.

20 Oct, 2022
Dissent & Democracy Series
VOICES OF DISSENT: A CONVERSATION WITH GARRY KASPAROV AND EVAN MAWARIRE, MODERATED BY VICTORIA HOLT
Garry Kasparov, Russian pro-democracy leader, global human rights activist, business speaker and author, and former world chess champion; Evan Mawarire, Zimbabwean clergyman who founded the #ThisFlag citizens’ movement, and Director Of Education at the Renew Democracy Initiative. Moderated by Victoria K Holt.

24 Oct, 2022
Rabbi Marshall Meyer Great Issues Lecture on Social Justice
CONFEDERATION: THE REALISTIC TWO-STATE SOLUTION
Yossi Beilin, former Israeli Justice Minister, Chief Negotiator, Oslo Process; Omar Dajani, former member of the PLO Negotiations Support Unit, Professor of Law, University of the Pacific; Lara Friedman, President, Foundation for Middle East Peace. Co-sponsored with The Tucker Center for a Spiritual and Ethical Life, and made possible by a gift from Marina and Andrew Lewin ’81.

27 Oct, 2022
ARCTIC COOPERATION THROUGH A LENS
Jeff Kerby, Dickey Center Visiting Arctic Fellow. Sponsored by the Institute of Arctic Studies.

3 Nov, 2022
CONVERSATION WITH CEO FISK JOHNSON OF SC JOHNSON and Melody B Burkins, Director, Institute of Arctic Studies, Senior Associate Director, The John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding. Sponsored by the Institute of Arctic Studies and The Irving Institute for Energy & Society.
8 Nov, 2022, The 2022 Stefansson Memorial Lecture
SMALL ICELAND: REFLECTIONS ON INDEPENDENCE AND INTERDEPENDENCE, NATIONALISM, AND GLOBALIZATION
Guðni Th. Jóhannesson, President of Iceland. Sponsored by the Institute of Arctic Studies and the Stefansson Arctic Institute, Iceland.

10 Nov, 2022
VETERAN’S DAY: ON CHARACTER, LEADERSHIP, SERVICE, AND THE UNIQUE CHALLENGES OF OUR TIME
Major General (VSM) Mark Anarumo PhD, President, Norwich University. Sponsored with the Rockefeller Center for Public Policy and the Social Sciences, part of Dartmouth’s Veteran’s Day Observances.

14 Nov, 2022
EXPLAINING PUTIN: THE MAN BEHIND THE WAR IN UKRAINE

24 Jan, 2023
POEMS IN THE VOICE OF LAVA: IRON SONGS, ORE CHOIRS, AND THE CORE’S SLY MUSIC
Dr. Katy Didden, Author of Ore Choir: The Lava on Iceland
Sponsored by the Institute of Arctic Studies.

30 Jan, 2023, Mary and Peter R. Dallman 1951 Great Issues Lecture
INTEGRATING THE HEALING PROPERTIES OF NATIVE AMERICAN TRADITIONAL MEDICINE WITH WESTERN PRACTICE
Dr. Lori Alvord ’79, Surgeon and Author. Sponsored by the Global Health Initiative, made possible by a gift from Mary and Peter R. Dallman ’51.

7 Feb, 2023
CHINA AFTER MAO: THE RISE OF A SUPERPOWER
Frank Dikötter, Author and Professor at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. Sponsored with the Political Economy Project.

8 Feb, 2023, Democracy Summit and Dissent & Democracy Series
DISSENT & DEMOCRACY: ENDING GENDER APARTHEID IN IRAN
Masih Alinejad, Iranian-American journalist and women’s rights activist. Sponsored with the Dartmouth Political Union.
16 Feb, 2023
WOMAN, CAPTAIN, REBEL: THE EXTRAORDINARY TRUE STORY OF A DARING ICELANDIC SEA CAPTAIN
Margaret Willson, Anthropologist and Author. Sponsored by the Institute of Arctic Studies.

2 Mar, 2023
COVID-19 IN THE ARCTIC: COMMUNITY PERSPECTIVES
Gwen Healey Akearok, Executive and Scientific Director of the Qaujigiartiit Health Research Centre (AHRN-NU) in Iqaluit, NU. Sponsored by the Institute of Arctic Studies.

6 Mar, 2023
NO CONCESSIONS? BRITTNEY GRINER AND US HOSTAGE POLICY

3 Apr, 2023
PUTIN, ZELENSKY, AND THEIR ARMIES: WHY CIVIL-MILITARY RELATIONS ARE KEY TO RUSSIA’S WAR IN UKRAINE

4 Apr, 2023
INDIGENOUS SIBERIA: IN THE RAW
Pavel Sulyandziga (Udege), Indigenous/human rights activist and an elected member of the UN working group on human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises. Sponsored by the Institute of Arctic Studies and the Department of Russian Studies.

4 Apr, 2023
ALUMNI CAREER PANEL: CAREER PATHS

6 Apr, 2023, Democracy Summit and Dissent & Democracy Series
DEMOCRACY IN INDIA, DEMOCRACY IN THE WORLD
In Conversation with Pratap Mehta. Moderated by Russ Muirhead and Victoria K Holt. Pratap Mehta, former Vice Chancellor (and co-founder) of Ashoka University in Delhi. Sponsored with the Dartmouth Political Union, the Political Economy Project, and The Nelson A. Rockefeller Center for Public Policy and the Social Sciences.

21 Apr, 2023, Democracy Summit
“EMPOWERING THE REASONABLE MAJORITY: REJECTING DIVISION, DEFENDING, AND REPAIRING AMERICAN DEMOCRACY”
Adam Kinzinger, senior political commentator for CNN, and former Republican Representative from Illinois. Sponsored with the Dartmouth Political Union and The Nelson A Rockefeller Center for Public Policy and the Social Sciences.

24 Apr, 2023
Zach Fredman, Assistant Professor of History and Associate Chair of the Division of Arts and Humanities at Duke Kunshan University. E. John Rosenwald, Jr. ’52 TU’53 Postdoctoral Fellow in US Foreign Policy and International Security. Sponsored by the Initiative for Global Security.

3 May, 2023
ARCTIC SECURITY AMIDST CHANGING TIDES

10 May, 2023
PERSPECTIVES ON HEALTH, RESEARCH AND TEACHINGS FROM NUNAVUT, CANADIAN ARCTIC
Gwen Healey Akearok, Executive and Scientific Director of the Qaujigiartiit Health Research Centre (AHRN-NU) in Iqaluit, NU. Ceporah Mearns, Director of the Nunavut Network Environment for Indigenous Health Research.
4-5 May, 2023
SECOND ANNUAL DARTMOUTH INTERNATIONAL SECURITY CONFERENCE, WASHINGTON, DC
Participants included Sasha Baker ‘05, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and Salman Ahmed, Director of the Secretary of State’s Policy Planning Staff. Sponsored by the Initiative for Global Security.

9 May, 2023, Class of 1950 Senior Foreign Affairs Fellow
LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE COVID WAR
Philip Zelikow, American diplomat, academic and author; Kendall Hoyt. Sponsored by Global Health Initiative, part of the Pandemic Security Project. Made possible by the Class of 1950.

11 May, 2023, Class of 1950 Senior Foreign Affairs Fellow
CHALLENGES IN THE HORN OF AFRICA
Hanna Tetteh, Special Envoy of the UN Secretary-General for the Horn of Africa. Made possible by the Class of 1950.

15 May, 2023
THE LONG RECKONING
George Black, writer, journalist, and editorial consultant. Sponsored by the Initiative for Global Security and the Department of History.

17-19 May 2023

17 May, 2023
TOWARDS A BREAKTHROUGH? THE STATE OF THE WAR IN UKRAINE

6 Jun, 2023
CENTERING NORTH AMERICAN ARCTIC KNOWLEDGE & COOPERATION IN CLIMATE SOLUTIONS
Dr. Nikoosh Carlo, US Arctic Research Commissioner (USARC), Founder and Chief Strategist, CNC North Consulting (Alaska/US); Dr. Greg Poelzer, Fulbright Arctic Initiative Co-Lead Scholar; Professor, University of Saskatchewan (Canada); Dr. Anna-Sofie Hurup Skjærdeval, Head of Secretariat, Arctic Hub (Greenland); Kate Guy, Senior Advisor and Managing Director, Climate Security and Cross-Cutting Issues (Office of the Special Presidential Envoy for Climate Change); and Moderated by Melody B Burkins. North American Arctic Speaker Series is a Joint Project of Dartmouth and US Department of State, co-hosted by the Institute of Arctic Studies and the Office of the US Coordinator for the Arctic Region.
Dissent & Democracy

What does it mean to be a dissident today? Worldwide, those who advocate for democracy, human rights, and political freedom risk changing their lives forever when they raise their voice against the prevailing authority of government, political party, or other entity or individual. For their courage, they may face persecution, jail, torture, and exile. With the launch of the Dissent & Democracy initiative in the fall of 2022, we aim to explore the issues and challenges these individuals face, why they speak up, and what it means for all of us, through close engagement with prominent dissidents.

We expect our students and faculty, as well as the broader Dartmouth community, to better understand the value of freedom and the role of individuals willing to speak up. Such insights can apply broadly to their lives and work and help them appreciate their own agency to make a difference.

The Iranian American writer opens a student-created series on contemporary democracy.

A yearlong series of public events on the endurance of democracy in the United States and around the world, started by students and known as The Democracy Summit, begins with a public program by Masih Alinejad, an Iranian American journalist and women’s rights activist.

Alinejad will be speaking on her My Stealthy Freedom social media campaign against compulsory hijab wearing, which has become a major civil disobedience movement in Iran.

Alinejad, who has been living in exile since 2009, gained worldwide attention in 2014 when she removed her hijab and posted a photo on her Facebook page with her hair blowing in the wind. From that, My Stealthy Freedom was born, making her a lightning rod in the women’s rights movement in Iran and around the world.

“We’re delighted to work with the DPU to welcome Masih Alinejad to Dartmouth, a prominent, vibrant voice of dissent and courage. We are pleased she is both kicking off the Democracy Summit and continuing the Dissent and Democracy series we launched last fall with Garry Kasparov and Evan Mawarire,” Holt says.

In the last two years the Justice Department has brought charges in two alleged attempts to take her life. Federal
UN peacekeeping missions are the tangible, global response to conflict. These operations also represent a unique opportunity to advance climate, development, and peacebuilding goals in some of the most fragile, underdeveloped, and least electrified countries in the world. Only a fraction of funding to mitigate climate change goes to fragile states. The UN would like to partner with the private sector to catalyze renewable energy projects, but it lacks the systems and experience to do so at scale.

In May, led by Director Victoria Holt, The Dickey Center convened a two-day workshop “Powering Peace” that took a multi-disciplinary look at how to accelerate the transition of UN peacekeeping missions to renewable energy. Drawing on the knowledge of UN leaders, energy and entrepreneurial experts, diplomatic and policy leaders, and the financial sectors, we focused on moving from good intentions to practical plans to meet the UN’s climate change goals, as well as the aims of host nations, UN missions, and the needs of the populations they serve.

Panelists included subject matter experts from the Irving Institute, the Tuck School of Business, and the Thayer School of Engineering; several sessions were attended by students and professors from the government department.

For a full listing of the Panelists & Contributing Respondents, see: https://sites.dartmouth.edu/poweringpeace/

The Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders, YALI

Last summer, Dartmouth hosted the alumni enrichment opportunity for Washington-Mandela fellows. This spring, our YALI program coordinators, Dawn Carey and Peter Jenkinson, had the opportunity to meet new and old members of our extended Young African Leaders’ Initiative family at the Mandela Washington Fellowship Alumni Summit in South Africa, where they also presented on “Designing Institutional Pathways for Long-term YALI Engagement.”

The Powering Peace Workshop this May us the opportunity to welcome back to Dartmouth two of our Mandela Washington Fellowship alumni. It was a delight to see and hear from Washikala Malango, co-founder & CEO of Altech Group, spearheading renewable energy in the DR Congo, and Olusegun Odunaiya, CEO of Havenhill Synergy Limited, a leader in solar energy in Nigeria and West Africa.
UN Special Envoy to the Horn of Africa, Hanna Tetteh visited Dartmouth as a Class of 1950 Senior Foreign Affairs Fellow. She met with our students and faculty, including the King Scholars, and joined Ambassador Jim Swan, our visiting Magro fellow, as he taught his undergraduate seminar. In her public presentation she shared her experience—as Envoy and former Foreign Minister of Ghana—and insights on the challenges facing the Horn of Africa.

Ambassador James Swan joined us as our Magro Family Distinguished Visitor in International Affairs for the spring term. The former Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General for Somalia and US Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Djibouti taught "The United Nations in the Global Arena" as a seminar for the International Studies Minor and worked with us on the Powering Peace project. Ambassador Swan also invited his colleague Nick Birnback, Chief of Staff, UN Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara, to campus to discuss their experiences and share with our students their thoughts on how to pursue a career with the United Nations.

Diana Othman joined us a Fulbright US-ASEAN visiting scholar, from the Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, Ministry of Defence, Brunei Darussalam. Her areas of research focus on Non-Traditional Security, specifically on Disarmament and Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD), Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR), and Economics Security issues including Energy Security and Food Security.

Dr. Gwen Healey Akearok was the Fulbright Canada Research Chair. She is the Executive and Scientific Director of the Qaujigiartiit Health Research Centre in Iqaluit, Nunavut and an Assistant Professor at the Northern Ontario School of Medicine and Associate Professor in the Faculty of Medicine at the Memorial University of Newfoundland and Labrador. During her time at Dartmouth Dr. Akearok explored relation-building and holistic well-being perspectives in the Arctic, with a focus on research, COVID-19, community voices, and capacity building. She also hosted meetings of the leads of the Arctic Council’s ongoing "Arctic Community Perspectives on Covid-19 and Public Health" study.

Dr. Eduard Ariza Solé, an Associate Professor of Geography at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB), was a visiting scholar with the Institute of Arctic Studies. His research combines Human Geography and Environmental Science in the study of complex socio-ecological systems in coastal zones, and his research interests include drawing from complexity and post-normal science framework to study and inform the governance of the land-sea continuum.

One of our most visible activities is bringing high-level distinguished visitors including scholars, practitioners, policy makers, and public figures—to Dartmouth. These visitors allow us to contribute to and build cross-campus dialogue on important issues. We partner with other centers, institutes, departments, and individual faculty to identify and create programming with our distinguished guests.
The 2022-23 academic year brought the second year of the three-year pilot on the Initiative for Global Security (IGS), which bolsters all of our peace and security initiatives and brings visiting scholars and practitioners to Dartmouth.

The new initiative provides additional opportunities for international experiential education, crisis simulations, internship funding, an international trip, and an annual security conference in Washington DC, the second of which was held in May 2023 and brought together Dartmouth postdocs, faculty, and students with high-level policy makers.

Professor Daryl Press served as Faculty Director for the IGS and Rosenwald Postdoctoral Fellows program, while Professor Ben Valentino served as Faculty Coordinator for the War & Peace Fellows program. Dickey Center Senior Associate Director Tom Candon served as the staff director.

The year included career conversations, a crisis simulation on pandemic security (run by wargamers from the Naval War College) and a second simulation on a Middle East crisis run in collaboration with West Point. The War & Peace Fellows’ trip to Brussels and The Hague over winterim and their spring trip to Washington, DC, as well as campus visits from guests from across the field of international peace and security.

11 War & Peace Fellows visited NATO HQ, the US Embassies in Belgium and the Netherlands, the International Criminal Court, and International Court of Justice in The Hague (see page 20).

14 Fellows spent three days in Washington, DC, meeting with a range of international security stakeholders, including staff at the National Security Council, the Department of Defense, USAID, the Treasury Department, defense contractors, the UN, CNN, as well as a number of recent Dartmouth/War & Peace Fellow alumni (see page 19).

Hosted five visiting scholars this year (see page 10) and seven Rosenwald Postdoctoral Fellows (see page 13)

Organized the 2nd Annual DC Conference (see page 12).

War & Peace Fellows met with campus guests for discussions and presentations that included the use of drones in warfare, the African American experience in WWII, the ethics of AI, and a book and policy discussion with author and alumni Phil Klay ’05.

War & Peace Fellows participated in an Israel-Palestine crisis simulation during fall term with over 70 others, including cadets from West Point and Midshipmen and women from the Naval Academy. During winter term, the Fellows joined the Global Health Fellows in a pandemic crisis simulation run by Naval War College game designers.

We funded seven security-related internships, including one at the Hudson Institute and two at the Naval War College.

We supported two students’ participation in Norwich University’s Peace & War Summit on March 20-21.

We provided funding and logistical support for the Dartmouth Student Alliance for Ukraine to travel to New York City in June for a meeting with Sergiy Kyslytsya, Ukraine’s Ambassador to the United Nations.
The Dickey Center’s Initiative for Global Security (IGS) held its 2nd Annual Dartmouth International Security Conference, co-sponsored by the Stimson Center, on May 4-5, 2023, in Washington, DC. Dartmouth faculty, government leaders and think tank and academic area experts discussed the nature of current, strategic challenges, the sustainability of US global engagement, and options for achieving US foreign policy goals.

The conference kicked off with a reception that brought together Dartmouth students interning in Washington for the spring term and those participating in the Government Department’s Domestic Study Program led by Professor Lisa Baldez (including many of the Dickey Center’s War & Peace Fellows), the Rosenwald Postdoctoral Fellows in US Foreign Policy and International Security, Dartmouth faculty and staff, and area Dartmouth alumni and security experts from throughout the DC policy community. Dickey Center Director Tori Holt moderated a conversation with US Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy Sasha Baker ’05 as part of the evening’s events.

The conference proceedings were designed as a set of short talks to kick off roundtable discussion. Each session included Dartmouth international security researchers, Stimson Center experts, and policy practitioners in conversation. Panels considered:

- The political order in a post-war Europe.
- The next pandemic and preparing for it.
- Whether multinational institutions can uphold a rules-based order.
- The evolving nature of the US-China competition.

Salman Ahmed, the US State Department’s Director for Policy Planning, provided the keynote address. Director Tori Holt and Dartmouth Professors Bill Wohlfforth, Ben Valentino, Kendall Hoyt, and Daryl Press moderated or spoke on panels.

Second Annual Dartmouth International Security Conference in Washington, DC, (l-r) featured Austin Long, Deputy Director at The Joint Staff; Emily Blanchard, Chief Economist of the US Department of State, currently on faculty leave from the Tuck School of Business; Yun Sun, Senior Fellow and Co-Director of the East Asia Program and Director of the China Program at the Stimson Center; and Daryl Press, Professor of Government and Faculty Director of the Initiative for Global Security. Photo, Tom Candon.


Chris Preble, Senior Fellow and Director of the Reimagining US Grand Strategy program at the Stimson Center, and Dickey Center Director Victoria Holt. Photo, Tom Candon.
Our Rosenwald US Foreign Policy and International Security Fellows are selected to spend a minimum of ten months and up to one year in-residence at Dartmouth on research and writing about international issues. For 2022-2023 we once again had a strong cohort of post docs, with an impressive breadth of research interests, covering everything from international hostage taking to postwar Japan.

**Polina Beliakova** is a PhD candidate at the Fletcher School, Tufts University. Her research focuses on civil-military relations, intrastate conflict, and international security with a regional interest in Russia, Ukraine, and Israel.

**Danielle Gilbert** is an Assistant Professor of Military & Strategic Studies at the United States Air Force Academy. Her research explores the causes and consequences of hostage taking in international security, including projects on rebel kidnapping, hostage recovery policy, hostage diplomacy, and ransomware.

**Erik Lin-Greenberg** is an Assistant Professor of Political Science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he is a member of the MIT Security Studies Program. His research and teaching examine how emerging military technology affects conflict dynamics and the use of force.

**Connor Mills** is a historian of modern Japan. His research focuses on how society has shaped and has been shaped by projects of organized violence and control. His current book project is tentatively titled *American Bases, Japanese Towns: Everyday Life and Militarization in Postwar Japan*.

**A.J. Murphy** is a Visiting Assistant Professor in the Departments of History and Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at Brandeis University, and a scholar of American military history, the history of capitalism, and the history of gender and sexuality.

**Caleb Pomeroy** received a PhD in Political Science from Ohio State University, and studies the psychology of power in international relations, the effects of state power on human cognition, perception, and behavior.

**Abigail Post** received her PhD in political science, with a focus on international security and research methodology, from the University of Virginia in 2018. Her research focuses on the dynamics of international bargaining.
Global Health & Development, led by Dawn Carey, continues to flourish as we look to create broader understanding and leverage positive change in the health and economic status of people globally. Like many things in the “post-Covid” era, the program grew, with 25% more Global Health Fellows, 30% more programming events, funding more than ten times as many partnered internships. We expanded these partnered internships to include placements in Development, and continued offering some remote opportunities. As ever, a major element of the programming, the Global Health Initiative (GHI), works across Dartmouth to bring health equity to the world’s population through multidisciplinary research, education, and service.

Our Global Health Fellows continue to serve students from across Dartmouth; read more about this student facing program on page 19.

Our Pandemic Security Project (PSP) was the driving force behind several significant events this year, including the panel on “Vaccine Hesitancy and Misinformation: Sources and Solutions” and the spring launch of the Covid Crisis Group’s investigative report “Lessons From the Covid War,” co-authored by PSP faculty lead, Kendall Hoyt.

We were also delighted to welcome back to Dartmouth Dr. Lori Alvord, MD MED ’79, to talk about “Integrating the Healing Properties of Native American Traditional Medicine with Western Practice.”

With the PSP nearing its conclusion we are exploring a possible next faculty directed topic: Mental Health Systems in Low-resource Settings.

The Pandemic Security Project (PSP) convenes experts in economics, biosecurity, and epidemiology to study the global effects of pandemics, the origins of COVID and evaluate our preparedness. The goal is to help ensure that both the US and international community is well prepared for possible future public health emergencies as we emerge from the recent pandemic.

Faculty Director Kendall Hoyt served as co-author of the investigative report “Lessons From the Covid War,” published in April 2023. In addition to an on-campus event with lead author Philip Zelikow, director of the Covid Crisis Group, Professor Hoyt sat on a National Academy of Medicine panel in Washington DC, discussing the findings of the book.
Renewed Federal Funding Supports Joint Science Education Project in Greenland.

The Institute of Arctic Studies will continue to train the next generation of climate change scientists, thanks to a new $1.3 million grant from the National Science Foundation supporting the institute’s Joint Science Education Project through 2026.

In fact, nine students who participated in the JSEP program in high school are now at Dartmouth, thanks to their interest in climate change and the work of the IAS, which is part of the John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding. Two other JSEP students also attended Dartmouth and already graduated.

“This is wonderful news,” says IAS Director Melody Brown Burkins. "JSEP is the institute’s longest running grant program, directly connecting the next generation of scholars to the pressing challenges and realities facing diverse peoples and regions of the Arctic, from climate change adaptation to biodiversity loss.”

An international collaboration among the United States, Greenland, and Denmark, JSEP was founded during the International Polar Year in 2007. High school and university students and teachers from the three countries work together during a 3-week field course in Greenland to study polar environments and the human dimensions of rapid Arctic change. In addition to Dartmouth’s NSF grant, funding is
Global Studies

Under the direction of Casey Aldrich and Peter Jenkinson, the Dickey Center provides several opportunities for Dartmouth students to explore global issues. They include the Great Issues Scholars program (see page 18), an International Studies Minor, the King Scholars Program, undergraduate internships, and the Lombard post-graduate fellowships.

International Studies Minor (ISM)
The ISM offers Dartmouth students—regardless of their major—the opportunity to learn about cross-cutting global forces informing and influencing their world. Ten Dartmouth students graduated with an International Studies Minor in ’23, and 14 students from the classes of ’24 and ’25 are enrolled.

We’re looking forward to implementing a revised ISM in the coming academic year; it will offer Dartmouth students increased flexibility to explore a range of international issues through an interdisciplinary lens.

International Internships
The Dickey Center offers funding to enable students to engage with the world through internships and research experiences. Students may connect with our partner organizations or create a “Build Your Own” experience with an organization that matches their interests, skills, and timeframe. This year, we supported **31 interns on Build Your Own International Internships**, and three interns on partnered opportunities, including Seeds of Peace and Davis Projects for Peace.

**We receive tremendous support from alumni donors for our internship programs:**

- **Class of 1954 Intern**
  - Gemma Tung ’23—The Chey Institute, South Korea
- **Class of 1954 Intern**
  - George Eid ’24—US Department of State / Global Ties US
- **Class of 1960 Intern**
  - Makara Poy ’24—Seeds of Peace, Maine, USA
- **Louis J. Setti Intern**
  - Anya Hirschfield ’23—Partners in Health, Lima, Peru
- **Class of 1966 Thaddeus Seymour International Interns**
  - Mayumi Miyazato ’25—Instituto Amazônia 4.0, São José dos Campos, Brazil
  - Caleb Benjamin ’23—Combatting Terrorism Center at West Point, NY, USA
- **Class of 1981 Intern**
  - Ahnili Johnson-Jennings ’23—Zanzibar Outreach Program, Zanzibar
- **Class of 1986 Intern**
  - Haily Nguyen ’25—Homebase (Y Combinator), Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- **Dianna L. Rynkiewicz ’84 Global Health Intern**
  - Aditi Gupta ’23—CARE, Malawi
- **Bhavsar International Intern**
  - Rocio Quispe ’23—Latin American Leadership Academy, Medellín, Colombia
- **Baum International Intern**
  - Coalter Palmer ’23—Newsguard Technologies, NY, USA
- **Adam Wright ’17 International Interns**
  - Dhasiya Anderson ’23—Hapei Te Hauora, Auckland, New Zealand
  - Love Tsai ’23—Max Planck Institute of Molecular Cell Biology & Genetics, Dresden, Germany
- **Entwistle International Intern**
  - Pete Young ’23—Foundation for Glacier and Environmental Research, AK, USA
- **Nathoo International Intern**
  - Patience Mukundirukuri ’25—Center for Impact, Innovation and Capacity Building for Health Information Systems and Nutrition (CIICHIN), Kigali, Rwanda (read more about Patience’s experience in Rwanda on page 17)
FRIENDS OF THE DICKEY CENTER

The Friends of the Dickey Center is a program created to help us share news about our international programming on campus, the global scholarship of our students and faculty, and our active engagement with alumni around the world. The Friends group also serves as a portal for charitable contributions made in support of the Dickey Center. We depend on your generosity to open new opportunities for our faculty and students.

If you are interested in becoming a Friend of the Dickey Center and donating to the Center, please visit our website at dartgo.org/friendsofdickey.

From The Field: Healthcare in Rwanda

Patience Mukundirukur ’25 is a Biomedical Engineering major with a pre-med track originally from Kigali, Rwanda. Her Dickey Center internship brought her to the Center for Impact, Innovation, and Capacity Building for Health Information Systems and Nutrition (CIICHIN) in Rwanda in the summer of 2022.

I had a great experience interning at the Center for Impact, Innovation, and Capacity Building for Health Information Systems and Nutrition (CIICHIN). I worked under the direct supervision of the CEO, Dr. Jeanine Condo, and alongside a team of doctors and healthcare specialists. I gained insight into Rwanda’s healthcare system by learning about a variety of projects the organization was working on.

I worked in the office for eight hours, five days a week. This helped me improve my scientific communication skills and professional skills. I also witnessed several project implementation meetings between CIICHIN and health policy implementation officers. This gave me a better understanding of the inner workings of the Rwandan health system.

In the course of my two-month internship, papers I helped write that included an evaluation of USAID’s medical equipment supply chain in Rwanda and the current state of Dual Clinical Practice (DCP) implementation in Rwanda. I also co-authored a scientific communication paper about the organization’s study on DCP implementation in Rwanda.

My internship at CIICHIN gave me a taste of what it is like to work in a translational research firm. Working with people who are passionate about making a positive impact in the healthcare field further strengthened my desire to pursue medicine. I also gained valuable transferable skills, such as teamwork, time management, and interpersonal communication skills. These skills will help me in my academic, professional, and personal development.

I faced few if any cultural challenges during my internship, as it was in my home country of Rwanda. However, I did struggle to adjust to working in a professional setting. Working for eight hours a day without becoming tired or sleepy was difficult for me at first. This was exacerbated by Rwanda’s hot summer weather and the fact that I don’t drink coffee. I addressed this by going for walks during my lunch break to get some fresh air. Another challenge I faced was that no lunch was provided at work, no restaurants were in the area, and my home was far from the office. This made it difficult for me to keep up with meals, and I frequently skipped lunch. However, after speaking with my coworkers, I discovered that I could bring lunch in a lunchbox and warm it up in the office microwave.

Overall, my internship at CIICHIN was a valuable experience. It confirmed my interest in working in healthcare and gave me exposure to the healthcare system as well as research skills that will be useful in my future medical career pursuits. I am grateful for the opportunity to have interned at CIICHIN, and eager to continue learning about the healthcare field.
Great Issues Scholars

Great Issues Scholars participate in a year-long series of interactive events aimed at enhancing their understanding of the world and current international events, supported by funding from Tom and Gina Russo ’77 P’08. The program provides a unique opportunity for Dartmouth Freshmen to connect with faculty, visiting experts, alumni and fellow students around complex global issues.

This year, we held **28 events for our 99 participating first-year scholars**. They included two events with alumni of the Mandela Washington Fellows (YALI) Program: Hyasynthia Ntuyeko, Olusegun Oduneiya, and Washikala Malango; a Global Pandemic Simulation; and a visit to the HOOD Museum of Art. We also hosted discussions with distinguished scholars and policymakers, including Dissent & Democracy guests Gary Kasparov and Evan Mawarire (see page 8), and with Dickey Center Associated Faculty in Global Health & Development (Dr. Lisa Adams), Arctic Studies (Melody B. Burkins), and International Peace & Security (Ben Valentino).

Arctic Innovation Scholars

This year saw the launch of the Arctic Innovation Scholars, a program developed for students of diverse backgrounds, perspectives, and interests, united through a desire to explore and develop solutions to the challenges of the Arctic region. The pilot program was a success: the eight participating students connected with experts from Indigenous communities, learned about science communication, glaciology, the politics of the region, and more. The Arctic Innovation Scholars even had the opportunity to connect with the President of Iceland during his visit in November of 2022. This first cohort of brave Arctic Innovation Scholars also helped shape the program for the students who will follow them in the years to come.

War & Peace Fellows

The year-long War & Peace Fellows program brings together students from across the sciences, social sciences, and humanities to engage in an ongoing discussion of the social, political, moral and technological dimensions of international conflict and cooperation. We organize events on campus, ranging from small group meetings with experts in security-related fields enabling the fellows to learn about a wide range of career paths.

This year, in addition to the annual visit to Washington, DC (see below), War & Peace Fellows also had the opportunity to learn about European security and justice on a trip to Brussels and The Hague (see page 20).
Global Health Fellows

Our Global Health Fellows program, led by Dawn Carey, serves students across Dartmouth—undergraduates as well as medical, public health, graduate, engineering and business school students. In an effort to increase access, the requirements for applying to GHF were modified. This was the second year of issuing a digital Credly certificate for involvement, which required attendance at a minimum number of events, attending one of the two offered retreats, and completion of a public health service project. The latter could be student generated or one of the five opportunities offered by the Dickey Center. This included the immensely successful “Period Poverty Project”: focused on breaking the cycle of gendered access to health supplies, the founders presented the project background, and then led the students in making washable feminine hygiene pads for girls in West Africa.

This was the first year where a public health simulation was offered each term, focusing on diplomacy, stakeholder engagement, and international strategy. In addition, the program offered two student book club options, and one workshop per term—all for broader content accessibility.

Reflections on the War & Peace Fellows Trip to Washington, DC

by Rujuta Pandit ’24

In March 2023, a group of War & Peace Fellows traveled to Washington, DC on what has become an annual trip to meet peace and security practitioners on their “home turf,” immersing themselves in the world of national security with visits to the National Security Council, the Pentagon, CNN’s Washington, DC bureau, the UN Environmental Program, and more. The Fellows participated in round-table discussions with their hosts, often learning about their career paths, and had the opportunity to ask them questions about their work and solicit advice on picking their own career path. Between formal visits the Fellows met Dartmouth alumni working in the Capitol in candid, off-the-record settings.

For international students Ella von Baeyer ’24 and Faizal Azizi ’24, the opportunity to observe the inner workings of the American capital was particularly valuable. Von Baeyer, who is British/German, made note of the unique nature of the many competing interests concentrated within Washington, DC, and the mission- and impact-driven nature of the speakers. She spoke particularly highly about the group’s visit to the Treasury, where a panel of staff working on financial intelligence and crime mitigation taught the War & Peace Fellows about the methods used to identify illicit financial transactions. Previously, many students had assumed that this role was delegated to the Central Intelligence Agency or Department of Defense.

Azizi, a transfer student from the American University of Afghanistan who left his native country when the regime fell to the Taliban, emphasized the Dickey Center’s resources and range of speakers which enabled students like himself to learn about nontraditional career paths. He pointed to the group’s visit to CNN’s Washington Bureau and meeting with Jake Tapper ’89 as an “unforgettable experience,” noting that Tapper took time to answer a question from every student, allowed the group into the studio during filming, and even posted a photo of the meeting with the Fellows on social media.

Global Health Fellows taking part in team building exercise during their annual retreat at the Dartmouth Skiway. Photo Kata Sasvari.

War and Peace Fellows with Jake Tapper ’89.
Over Winterim 2022, 11 students in the War & Peace Fellows Program traveled to Brussels and the Hague for an immersive international security experience. This was the first international trip for the War & Peace Fellows since 2019, revitalizing a key aspect of the program which has previously featured trips to Qatar and Israel & Palestine. Why Europe? Professor Valentino explained that, "Europeans and Americans are trying to understand what [the war in Ukraine] means for the NATO alliance. We thought it would be a good idea for students to be a part of this, and see how these conversations are evolving."

The Fellows visited NATO headquarters and observed a trial at the International Criminal Court, which had recently made headlines after calling for the arrest of President Putin. They also had the opportunity to meet with recent law graduates at the International Court of Justice and staff at two US Embassies. Each meeting, whether with the head of NATO’s Nuclear Policy Directorate or an FBI Legal Attache with the US Embassy to the Netherlands, followed a question-and-answer format, enabling students to learn about the speakers’ career paths, their views on significant issues, and their approach to their daily work. Valentino described the trip as representing, "the best of Dartmouth:” an undergraduate-focused, transformative experience that may open students’ eyes to uncommon careers.
Bosworth Awards
The Class of 1961 Stephen W. Bosworth Award for International Affairs is given annually to Dartmouth undergraduates who have demonstrated excellence in their work in international affairs. This year’s recipients were:

Juliette Courtine ’24, Rujuta Pandit ’24, Federico Cigolot ’24, Wenhan Sun ’24

We were honored to have Chris Bosworth (first wife of Ambassador Bosworth) present the awards, accompanied by some of her late husband’s classmates from the class of ’61. (Read more about the event at https://dickey.dartmouth.edu/news/2023/05/2023-bosworth-awards)

Edward M. Chase Peace Prize
This prize is awarded annually to the graduating Dartmouth senior (or seniors) who submit the best thesis on a subject relating to the promotion of world peace. This year’s recipients were:

Olivia Gresham ’22, Maya Khanna ’22, Ben Vagle ’22

Richard D. Lombard Public Service Post-Graduate Fellowship
We partner with the Dartmouth Center for Social Impact to administer the Richard D. Lombard ’53 Public Service Fellowship Program in support of graduating seniors and first-year Dartmouth alumni, including the professional schools, in public service. Applicants match their interests and skills with partners in the US and abroad to create a 6-12 month project that addresses local needs, and benefits the public good. This year, we supported five Lombard fellows:

Uyen Dang ’21; born in Saigon, Vietnam, and studied Cultural Anthropology, focusing her work on the poetics of urban space in Vietnam. During her fellowship year, Uyen will be working with Sân Art, a platform and resource for new and rising Vietnamese artists in Saigon, Vietnam. Working collaboratively with Sân Art’s team, Uyen will help to coordinate new exhibitions, engage local and national community partners, and develop hands-on workshops, readings, and screenings, talks with artists across disciplines and genres—programming that serves to elevate the voice and works of artists and extend their reach to different audiences in order to address the perpetually evolving, and deeply human, issues facing their communities.

Soleil Gaylord ’22; a double major in Government and Environmental Studies with a passion for the natural world and its rich biodiversity. She is fascinated by the neotropical region and the remarkable success of Costa Rica in promoting human and ecological flourishing in tandem. Soleil spent her fellowship year as a scientific communicator with Osa Conservation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting the globally significant biodiversity of the Osa Peninsula, Costa Rica, where she worked to promote biodiversity conservation and the communities engaged in this critical work through written, video, and audio formats.

Maya Khanna ’22; studied History and Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, with a particular interest in the intersection between identity, historical accountability, and land rights. At Dartmouth, Maya was involved in The Dartmouth Outing Club, the Student and Presidential Committee on Sexual Assault, the Sexual Assault Peer Alliance, and research with the History Department. During her fellowship year, Maya worked with the International Land Coalition (ILC), a global alliance of more than 300 civil society and intergovernmental organizations working together to put people at the center of land governance. She worked in Rome, Italy with the ILC’s Land Rights Now (LRN) campaign, which seeks to secure indigenous and community land rights with the goal of doubling the area of land legally recognized as owned by Indigenous Peoples and local communities.

Sophia Skallerud ’22; spent the 2022-2023 academic year working with Women’s Lunch Place (WLP), a women’s homeless shelter, in Boston, MA. Skallerud studied Biology (pre-heath) at Dartmouth and the Lombard Fellowship allowed her to combine her passions for building close relationships, medicine, and service. She immersed herself into the WLP community, researched what options other shelters offer for year-round mental-health support, then helped integrate this research into the current curriculum. Most importantly, she was an extra hand ready to assist WLP as they returned to normal post-COVID operations.

Leatile "Malets" Monthe ’22; spent a year in New York as a Lombard Fellow where he worked with the local non-profit Opening Act to produce a documentary about the essence of the organization and the transformative power of equitable arts education. Additionally, he served as a Communications Intern where helped build a robust communications strategy to raise awareness around Opening Act programs and their impact. Leatile studied Economics and Film and Media Studies with an interest in how film and other creative industries can be used for social impact. He has worked with international documentary film crews (NHFU Botswana), and as a video journalist.
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KC Kung, founder and Managing Partner at Nexus Point in Hong Kong, also found his time on the board to be rewarding. He said, “Serving on the board has been a truly rewarding experience. I have had the chance to engage with inspiring individuals from across the Dartmouth community.” He is grateful for the Dickey Center’s dedication to promoting global understanding, engagement, and collaboration.

Aly Rahim, Program Manager with the Global Partnership for Social Accountability at the World Bank, brought a wealth of experience in international development to the board. Reflecting on his time with us, he said, “I really enjoyed sharing my insights with students, staff, and board members. It was truly fulfilling to foster discussions that expanded students’ understanding of global issues.”

**Special Guests, cont. from pg 10**

Professor Stefano Recchia, the John G. Tower distinguished chair in international policy and national security at Southern Methodist University, was a visiting scholar with the Initiative for Global Security. His research and teaching interests are focused on the politics and ethics of military intervention and multilateral cooperation in security affairs. While at Dartmouth, he worked on a book which explains how military interveners can obtain UN Security Council approval when veto-wielding permanent members are opposed.

Kai Michael Kenkel, also a visiting scholar with the IGS, came to us from the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, where he is Associate Professor with the Institute for International Relations and the founding director of its Center on Democracy and the Armed Forces. He works on issues related to humanitarian intervention, such as UN peace operations and the Responsibility to Protect principle, particularly as they affect states and populations in the Global South.

Page Fortna was also a visiting scholar with the IGS. She is the Harold Brown Professor of US Foreign and Security Policy in the Department of Political Science. Her research focuses on terrorism, the durability of peace in the aftermath of both civil and interstate wars, and war termination.

Tanisha M. Fazal also a visiting scholar with the IGS. An Andrew Carnegie Fellow, she is professor of Political Science at the University of Minnesota. Her research and teaching focus on sovereignty, international law, medical care in conflict zones, and armed conflict.

**Masih Alinejad cont from pg. 8**

Prosecutors last year filed murder-for-hire charges against three foreign nationals in an alleged assassination plot, and in 2021 prosecutors in New York filed kidnapping conspiracy charges against four Iranians who allegedly planned to “forcibly render her to Iran, for likely execution,” The New York Times reported last month.

The Democracy Summit was conceived by the nonpartisan, student-run Dartmouth Political Union and jointly convened by the DPU, the Nelson A. Rockefeller Center for Public Policy and the Social Sciences, and the John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding.

Victoria K. Holt, Director of the Dickey Center, calls Alinejad’s visit to Dartmouth an important event and an outstanding way to kick off the ongoing Democracy Summit series.

“We’re delighted to work with the DPU to welcome Masih Alinejad to Dartmouth, a prominent, vibrant voice of dissent and courage. We are pleased she is both kicking off the Democracy Summit and continuing the Dissent and Democracy series we launched last fall with Garry Kasparov and Evan Mawarire,” Holt says.

Jessica Chiriboga ’24, DPU president, and Dylan Griffith ’25, vice president, began developing the series in the late fall in response to student discussions about the state of democracy in the U.S. and around the world, Chiriboga says.

“With increasing political polarization, issues regarding election security, and threats to democracy around the world, the DPU feels that we are at a crossroads where we can play an outsized role in having conversations surrounding democracy,” Griffith says, “especially as a nonpartisan student organization of an esteemed academic institution.”

Holt also hailed the students’ efforts to organize the series.

“We’ve been impressed by the DPU’s ambitious plans for the Democracy Summit; their topics and speakers are sure to strengthen informed debate about critical issues of concern to us all,” Holt says.

“It’s inspiring that Dartmouth students have taken the initiative, and the Dickey Center, along with the Rockefeller Center, is excited to partner with the DPU to make this a success, as it brings a broad range of viewpoints—nationally and internationally focused—to our community.”

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When his mother died on Christmas night in 2020 from COVID-19, he could not return to Russia, for fear of government retaliation. In an interview before the forum, Kasparov spoke about the heartbreak of not being by her side, at the end. “That was a big personal drama, but I did what was right and that’s what she taught me,” Kasparov said. “When I was a teenager, my mother put a poster over my bed saying, ‘If not you, who will?’ And when people ask me whether I’m concerned about personal safety, I say absolutely, I am. But what can I do? It’s a moral imperative.”

Through an organization he founded, the Renew Democracy Initiative, Kasparov is rallying support and sending humanitarian aid to Ukraine. Kasparov doubts that Putin will follow through on his threat to use nuclear weapons in that conflict, and he believes Ukraine will win the war, setting the stage for regime change in Russia.

“I believe that the liberation of Russia from Putin’s fascism will begin after the Ukraine flag is raised and Ukraine is liberated,” he said.

Mawarire is also hopeful that democracy will come to his homeland, though not, perhaps, in his lifetime. “When people are not happy with a system of governance, they advocate for something different,” he said at the forum. “And when they don’t get something different by pushing a government to change, they change that government through their vote, or in some cases, through a revolution. In Zimbabwe, it’s increasingly looking as if a revolution is going to be the way to go, because voting has brought no result.”

Mawarire entered Zimbabwe’s political fray on April 20, 2016, when he posted on Facebook “This Flag,” a poetic video lashing out against government oppression and corruption. He and his wife had two children and another on the way, and he had spent the day trying to figure out how to make ends meet.

Following the screening of a film about him at the forum, he recalled that turning point. “I’m sitting in my office, I see the Zimbabwe flag, and the thought that came to me was, this flag is a lie. This beautiful flag. So I take my phone and I prop it up around the globe.

Both men warned that dissent is a bulwark of democracy that too many Americans take for granted. “I get frustrated with people who live with freedom, who have lived with freedom all their lives, and pretend it’s worthless,” said Mawarire. “The fact that you can go out into the city square and criticize your government and immediately go off to the coffee shop and have a coffee and forget about that and go home and have a good night’s sleep—that’s something that I’ve dreamed of.”

Toward the end of the forum, Mawarire issued a challenge. “The future does not depend and will never depend on people who are elected. It will always be decided by those who elect,” he said. “Even if you are the only one that decides to get involved in grassroots mobilization or in finding ways to defend the vote or to keep the conversation going about your democracy, even if you are the only one, it is worth it. It is a duty that must not be abandoned.”

Tuna Akmehmet ’26 took that message to heart. “I’ve lived in Turkey and I have friends there who always make fun of Americans, saying, ‘Oh yes, it’s a beacon of democracy, so why don’t more people vote?’ Akmehmet said he’s politically active and will urge his fellow students to cast their ballots next month.

Maria Trybus ’26, who comes from Poland, was pleased to hear Kasparov’s perspective on the strife in Ukraine. “I am really engaged in what’s going on with immigration in Poland, and I’ve created my own initiative to support Ukrainian refugees,” she said while standing in line for Kasparov’s autograph earlier in the day.

The “Voices of Dissent” project was initiated and supported in part by Matt Calkins ’94 who, with two other Dartmouth alumni, grew his highly successful software company, Appian, from a startup in his basement. Calkins says his passion for constructive disagreement took root at Dartmouth. “Ideas were contested vigorously in my circle of friends. I loved that. And I came to believe that the test of a good idea was whether you could defend it. The process by which you reached the best idea was through conflict, through respectful, but vigorous conflict,” he said in an interview before the forum.

Calkins, who has launched several initiatives highlighting the importance of political dissent, sees Kasparov and Mawarire as powerful and courageous truth tellers. “Garry consciously put at risk everything he had—his fame in his home country, his ability to be with his mother—he knew he could lose all that. Evan did not know at first what he might lose. He was just an irrepressibly authentic person who happened to be eloquent and compelling. They came from different directions, but in the end, they move in parallel because they stand for the same values: self-determination, freedom to speak your mind, freedom to say what other people don’t want you to say, and an idealism that elevates people, respecting them for the totality of their humanity.” ■

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Tuck Professor Emily Blanchard, who is currently serving as the Chief Economist of the State Department, also joined an expert panel, as did other US government officials for each subject. They included: Doug Jones, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, European and Eurasian Affairs; Daniel Gastfried, Director of Biodefense and Pandemic Preparedness, National Security Council; Stephanie Guerra, Assistant Director for Health Security and Biodefense, White House, Office of Science at Technology Policy; Josh Black, Senior Director for Multilateral Affairs, US National Security Council; and Austin Long, Deputy Director for Strategic Stability, Joint Staff, Department of Defense joined the discussions.

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Applying Classroom Concepts to a Real-World Global Context

Students on the trip emphasized the importance of traveling abroad and the opportunity it provides to apply classroom concepts to a global context. Leland Hemgren ’25 said, "We may read Mearsheimer and conclude that ‘offensive realism is an interesting concept,’ but to then visit NATO and [...] see how it applies to the international context when nukes are in question—that forces you to question the academic concepts and engage more critically with what you’ve learned." A sophomore, Hemgren was one of the students earliest on in his Dartmouth journey to attend the trip; he felt that engaging in travel early on will allow him to put future classes into context.

Professor Valentino, whose primary research is in mass atrocities, was particularly struck by the ICC trial of Alfred Yekatom and Patrice-Edouard Ngaïssona. The Fellows had the opportunity to observe perpetrators and victims in the same room—a chilling example of why travel is vital, not only for what you learn, but also for the unique first-hand experience of seeing an international organization in action and exploring the means of justice they wield.

Participants agreed that we learned as much from our peers and advisors on the trip as we did from the talented practitioners with whom we interacted. Our varying perspectives on the issues at hand shaped how we engaged with the speakers and shifted depending on whether our lived experience was that of an American or international student, a veteran’s or civilian’s, etc. Our conversations would extend to heated debates over dinner or traveling between meetings—a testament to the passion invoked by the concepts with which we were grappling.

Most Dartmouth students, fortunately, will never directly encounter warfare. But we will continue to be participants in a global society, and if we are to become thoughtful, educated decision-makers in a national or international security context then we must engage critically with the people and institutions affecting and affected by conflict. Lee summarized that sentiment, "When traveling, you start to appreciate that the world is so much bigger than Hanover. If Dartmouth aims to educate global citizens [...] then international travel is one way to prepare them.”

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provided by the government of Greenland.
Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, travel to Greenland from the U.S. was curtailed over the past two years. But Lauren Culler, research assistant professor of environmental studies, IAS senior fellow for climate and environment, and leader of the JSEP project, says teachers found creative ways to develop Zoom-based classes simulating the kinds of field experiments Greenlanders and Danes were conducting on the world’s largest island, where ice is melting at an alarming rate. “For example, our online students created their own ice sheets and sea ice, and they would mimic different properties of ice in Greenland by freezing sediment into some of the ice cubes, basically creating their own personal Arctic in their freezers,” says Culler. “To help them understand how melting rates are influenced by different factors, we sent them little heat lamps, like you might put on a reptile’s cage, so they could put their clean ice and their dirty ice under the lamp and calculate the rate at which it melts.”

On top of the nine recent JSEP alumni now at Dartmouth, another eight visited the campus this summer. Alana Macken ’23, from Santa Rosa, Calif., a city twice devastated by wildfires, attended the program in Greenland in 2018, and saw first-hand how ice sheets were receding due to a warming climate. “That summer with JSEP was a really important turning point because I had a lot of residual emotions about fires in California, and I think that meeting Greenlanders my own age who were talking about—and learning about—real tangible things happening right under their feet created this sense of community that I’d never felt before until then.”

Macken says her work with JSEP motivated her to apply to Dartmouth, where she majors in physics and earth sciences. She’s now writing a thesis mapping fires in British Columbia and Alaska.

Also majoring in earth sciences on campus is Ivan Tochimani-Hernandez ’24, who participated in JSEP in 2020.

“My focus is geomorphology and paraglacial environments, looking at how landscape shifts due to climate change and human interactions,” he says. “My JSEP group studied food systems, and that also inspired me to look into how agriculture can be expanded—or not—in Arctic regions.” For Noor Boukari ’26, whose parents immigrated to the United States from Algeria in the 1980s, when high temperatures were adversely affecting some rivers, JSEP opened a window on environmental damage in a much colder region. The best thing about JSEP, says Boukari, was learning climate science “from people who are actually doing it, every day. The second aspect is the deep international understanding you get directly from the people of Greenland and Denmark. It’s a unique experience.”

Graduate students are integral to JSEP’s success. From Thayer School of Engineering, Nigerian-born Ayobami Ogunmolasuyi became an online mentor and teacher in 2020, following his graduation from the University of Maryland. As a PhD candidate and NSF fellow, Ogunmolasuyi is studying how sulfuric acid from volcanic emissions affects the properties of ice. For JSEP, he helped develop and deliver online lessons he wishes he’d had when he was in high school.

“JSEP is an outstanding introductory program because even in online form, it’s hands-on,” says Ogunmolasuyi. “One of the best things that happened during the last round was that some experiments failed. So the students learned that, OK, in science, some things work, some things don’t, and if they don’t, you just find a different way to tackle the problem.”

And the problem of climate change is accelerating at a pace even Culler did not foresee, when, as a graduate student, she joined the program she now directs.

“The Arctic is warming at four times the rate of the rest of the globe,” she says. “Seven years ago, when we started JSEP, we would’ve said that the Arctic was warming twice as fast. We are so excited to see so many incredibly talented young people from all over the world paying attention to a changing climate, and with this latest grant, we look forward to keeping up that momentum.”

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