



AFRICA CENTER FOR STRATEGIC STUDIES

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Emerging Security Sector Leaders Seminar
Washington, DC; 03-05; 16-27 June 2025

VIRTUAL SESSIONS

SUNDAY 01 June	MONDAY 02 June	TUESDAY 03 June	WEDNESDAY 04 June	THURSDAY 05 June	FRIDAY 06 June	SATURDAY 07 June
	<p><i>*Please note all sessions are on Eastern Time</i></p> <p>Participant Orientation (0900-1100 GMT-4)</p>	<p>Session 1: Course Introduction: ESSL (0900-1015 GMT-4)</p> <p><i>BREAK</i> (1015-1100 GMT-4)</p> <p>Session 2: The Importance of Strategic Leadership & Critical Thinking for ESSL (1100-1230 GMT-4)</p> <p><i>END</i></p>	<p>Discussion Group: Written Assignment Overview (0900-1030 GMT-4)</p> <p><i>*Please use the Zoom link assigned to your discussion group</i></p> <p><i>BREAK</i> (1030-1100 GMT-4)</p> <p>Session 3: Mega Trends: Assessment Frameworks (1100-1230 GMT-4)</p> <p><i>END</i></p>	<p>Discussion Group: Simulation Overview (0900-1030 GMT-4)</p> <p><i>*Please use the Zoom link assigned to your discussion group</i></p> <p><i>END</i></p>		



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IN-PERSON SESSIONS

MODULE 1: ANALYZING AFRICA'S SECURITY THREATS

SUNDAY 15 June	MONDAY 16 June	TUESDAY 17 June	WEDNESDAY 18 June	THURSDAY 19 June	FRIDAY 20 June	SATURDAY 21 June
Written Assignment Final Draft Deadline (Due June 13 th)	NDU In-Processing (0900-1030)	Session 2: Violent Extremism Dynamics (0900-1030)	Session 4: Maritime Security Threats (0900-1030)	Baseball Game at Washington National Stadium (13:05) Juneteenth (Federal Holiday) *Time subject to change	Session 1 Simulation Exercise (0900-1030)	DC Monuments Tour (0900-1300)
	Opening Session: Keynote Address (1030-1145)				BREAK (1030-1100)	
	GROUP PHOTO & BREAK (1145-1230)	BREAK (1030-1100)	BREAK (1030-1100)		Simulation Brief-back A (1100-1230)	
English Registration (1100) French Registration (1300) Portuguese Registration (1500)	LUNCH (1230-1330)	Discussion Groups (1100-1230)	Discussion Groups (1100-1230)		LUNCH (1230-1330)	
		LUNCH (1230-1330)	LUNCH (1230-1330)		Session 6: Strategic Leadership in Africa's Security Sector (1330-1500)	
	Session 1: Conflict Trends & Security Mega Trends (1330-1500)	Session 3: Transnational Organized Crime Dynamics (1330-1500)	Session 5: Cyber & Emerging Technology Threats (1330-1500)		BREAK (1500-1530)	
	BREAK (1500-1530)	BREAK (1500-1530)	BREAK (1500-1530)		Discussion Groups (1530-1700)	
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IN-PERSON SESSIONS

MODULE 2: NATIONAL RESPONSE TO SECURITY CHALLENGES; MODULE 3: REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RESPONSE TO SECURITY CHALLENGES

MONDAY 23 June	TUESDAY 24 June	WEDNESDAY 25 June	THURSDAY 26 June	FRIDAY 27 June
Session 7: Rule of Law and Security Governance: Importance to Civil-Military Relations (0900-1030)	Session 9: National Security Strategy Development and Implementation (0900-1030)	Session 11: Regional and International Responses to Security Challenges (0900-1030)	Session 12: Leveraging Donor Assistance (0900-1030)	Session 2 Simulation Exercise (0900-1030)
<i>BREAK</i> (1030-1100)	<i>BREAK</i> (1030-1100)	<i>BREAK</i> (1030-1100)	<i>BREAK</i> (1030-1100)	<i>BREAK</i> (1030-1100)
Discussion Groups (1100-1230)	Discussion Groups (1100-1230)	Discussion Groups (1100-1230)	Discussion Group (1100-1230)	Session 3 Simulation Exercise (1100-1230)
<i>LUNCH</i> (1230-1330)	<i>LUNCH</i> (1230-1330)	<i>LUNCH</i> (1230-1300)	<i>LUNCH</i> (1230-1330)	<i>LUNCH</i> (1230-1330)
Session 8: Critical Thinking to Enhance Professionalism in Africa's Security Sector (1330-1500)	Session 10: Managing Security Resources in Africa (1330-1500)	Travel to Museum (1300-1330)	Session 13: United States Government: Security Assistance and Partnership in Africa (1330-1500)	Simulation Brief-back B (1330-1500)
		DC African American History Museum (1330-1530)		
<i>BREAK</i> (1500-1530)	<i>BREAK</i> (1500-1530)	Free Time at National Mall (1530-1700)	<i>BREAK</i> (1500-1530)	<i>BREAK</i> (1500-1530)
Discussion Groups (1530-1700)	Discussion Groups (1530-1700)	Departure Bus to Hotel (1700)	Discussion Groups (1530-1700)	Alumni Overview & Evaluation (1530-1600)
	Reception (1730-1900)			Certificate & Closing Session (1600-1700)