



ANGELO STATE UNIVERSITY

Center for Security Studies

One of the great pleasures I have in leading the Angelo State University team is the opportunity to support and promote their many programs and initiatives. Whether these are individual or collective accomplishments, they all enhance ASU's overall reputation and visibility.

For example, the students and faculty members of the Center for Security Studies (CSS) have developed this peer-reviewed electronic *Journal of Homeland and National Security Perspectives*. The journal is a student-led bi-annual publication for those who are interested in homeland and national security issues. Typical content will take the form of articles that promote the advancement of academic and practical knowledge in CSS core security areas such as terrorism, human rights issues, globalization, cyber-security, and cultural conflicts.

For several reasons, I am pleased that the CSS faculty and students have developed this electronic publication. First, the publication of student articles will help them develop the experience they need to conduct scholarly research while improving their ability to pursue lifelong learning. Their scholarly experiences will also enhance their capability to use a holistic view to identify, formulate, and deal with complex issues. In addition, students will gain the tools they need to analyze, evaluate, and lead critical global security related efforts in their chosen professions. Last, I am confident that their efforts will enhance the reputation of the CSS while advancing their programs. I look forward to reading the *Journal of Homeland and National Security Perspectives*.

Sincerely,

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