



Establishing the *Journal of Homeland and National Security Perspectives*

Since the development of formal degree plans in Homeland and National Security at the Angelo State University Center for Security Studies in the Summer of 2010, discussions among faculty and students were held for the purpose of seeking means to advance the knowledge gained. It was decided that worthwhile contributions could be made to better influence the new discipline by publicizing noteworthy, academic and scholarly coursework by students enrolled in the new programs. In the Fall of 2013, a proposal to develop a student-led, peer-reviewed electronic journal was presented by a faculty member to the program director. The proposal was approved. Students interested in serving as the executive and managing directors were selected for service as peer reviewers. The students developed administrative guidelines and structured a process for calling for papers, reviewing submissions, and engaging in critical dialogue with authors to publish robust papers written for the purpose of advancing policy, practice, research and theory in homeland and national security.

Mission

The mission of the *Journal of Homeland and National Security Perspectives* is to contribute original, innovative, and timely student-initiated, peer-reviewed research of a significant security concern within the U.S. and abroad.

Inaugural Issue

Global and Homeland Security Threats in Modern Times: Practitioner-Student Perspectives

The Center for Security Studies at Angelo State University has a distinct student population, comprising individuals who represent a scope of professional knowledge from the local to the federal level. Because of this, the editorial board felt that the inaugural issue should recognize the unique perspectives the students in our program have, as both students and practitioners, to the multitude of homeland and national security issues we face both at home and abroad.