

John S. McCain Strategic Defense Fellowship Program



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- Utah State University, Master of Science in Economics, August 2024
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Colin is honored and excited to join the Department of Defense as a McCain Fellow. Having been born and raised in Arlington, VA, with a father in journalism, Colin has enjoyed and understood the weight of discussions of national security from an early age. Possessing a versatile set of skills learned from his education in economics, political science, film, psychology, and anticipatory intelligence, he hopes to contribute to the Department's mission of defense, one day hoping to work in defense diplomacy policy and the facilitation of interagency cooperation. Having completed two congressional internships, worked in lobbying, and researched with a think tank in his graduate studies, Colin feels ready to join the Department to further its goals and interests. He feels that the McCain Fellowship is the perfect opportunity for him to enter public service and work closely with experienced national security professionals, allowing him to learn from their many years of service. Outside of work, Colin enjoys old movies, Real Madrid games, and buying books he knows he won't read for another few years.

