



John S. McCain Strategic Defense Fellowship Program



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Organization: Office of the Under Secretary of War for Acquisition and Sustainment

Education:

- Georgetown University, McDonough School of Business, Master of Business Administration (May 2025)
- Georgetown University, McCourt School of Public Policy, Master of Public Policy (May 2025)
- University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB), Bachelor of Arts in History of Public Policy and Law (June 2022)

Jacqueline is honored to serve as a John S. McCain Strategic Defense Fellow and to apply her combined expertise in public policy and business administration in support of U.S. national security priorities. She looks forward to learning from senior leaders across the national security community while continuing to grow her own leadership skills. Jacqueline’s academic and professional background has fostered a strong interest in public–private sector collaboration and in the intersection of business strategy and public service, particularly in addressing complex national security and public sector challenges. She looks forward to continuing to develop these interests through the McCain Fellowship. Jacqueline enters the McCain Fellowship with a diverse background of federal service. She has served as a Management Analyst at the U.S. Department of State in both the Bureau of Global Operations (A/GO) and the Bureau of Medical Services (MED), where she supported operational and management initiatives. Her prior experience also includes internships with the Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency (DCSA) and the United States Postal Service Office of the Inspector General (USPS OIG). In addition to her public sector experience, Jacqueline brings an international business perspective through her consulting work with Volkswagen Group, where she contributed to strategic analysis on electric vehicle battery recycling initiatives within the European Union. She has also completed applied consulting and strategy-focused casework as part of her MBA studies.

Originally from the San Francisco Bay Area, California, Jacqueline enjoys hiking, running, kayaking, camping, reading, traveling, and spending time outdoors in her free time. She currently resides in Arlington, Virginia.

