



# John S. McCain Strategic Defense Fellowship Program



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Elizabeth Lapporte serves as a John S. McCain Strategic Defense Fellow in the Office of the Under Secretary of War for Comptroller/Chief Financial Officer. She looks forward to contributing to the U.S. Department of War’s mission, supporting the warfighter, and enriching her passion for public service. Elizabeth is interested in resource management and acquisition and sustainment. Prior to the McCain Fellowship, Elizabeth completed internships focused on defense appropriations and authorization at the Heritage Foundation and the U.S. House of Representatives. She also participated in Hacking for Defense, where she developed a solution to a U.S. Army readiness challenge. In her free time, Elizabeth enjoys long-distance running, film photography, exploring historical sites, and volunteering at the Uniformed Services Organization.

