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Jennie has long aspired to a career in public service and national security, starting Arabic lessons her junior year of high school, studying abroad in Jordan during college, and conducting research focusing on Middle East security, defense strategy, and wargaming earlier in her career. Prior to becoming a McCain fellow, Jennie worked as a contractor in offices across the Department of War, including OSW(CAPE), Joint Staff, OUSW(P), and OUSW(A&S). Over the last two years, Jennie has primarily supported the Department's counter-unmanned systems mission. She holds a Master of Arts in Security Studies from Georgetown University and a Bachelor of Arts in History and Arabic from Bucknell University. Growing up in Massachusetts, Jennie is a New England sports fan, no matter the year.

