



**NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE OF INFORMATION AND CYBERSPACE  
WASHINGTON DC 20319-5066**

Dear Members of the Class of 2027,

Congratulations on your selection to the College of Information and Cyberspace (CIC). Your selection to attend this cutting-edge institution means your services, agencies and nations recognize your potential as a senior strategic leader. I know you will find the experience intellectually challenging, professionally rewarding, and personally satisfying.

The CIC Faculty and Staff are looking forward to your arrival! While the current class is still being finalized, we are expecting around 60 students including United States military and civilian leaders and International Fellows from around the globe. This incredible diversity of perspectives will challenge and broaden your understanding of the world. While your overall experience will be personally and professionally rewarding, it will not be without challenges. CIC is a fast-paced, academically rigorous, 10-Month program that will prepare you to think more strategically, but due to its accelerated schedule, does not allow for a great deal of down time.

As one of five colleges under the National Defense University (NDU), your CIC faculty knows that success here depends on thorough in-processing and orientation. You need to take an active role in this process and manage your specific entrance requirements. To this end, please read your National Defense University (NDU) welcome package. Your Service/Agency chairs here at the college are your primary POCs for initial information. Many of your in-processing tasks must be personally coordinated between you and your parent Service/Agency and Chairs.

Please make sure to visit the Incoming Student Information page on the NDU website it provides the most up-to-date data for in-processing. Of note, Information Technology and Security requirements, which are unique to NDU and must be completed prior to your arrival, are detailed there. The NDU campus is a Bring-Your-Own-Device environment, with a government- provided wireless network. Tablets and phones can also be used to augment your learning, but some applications require a laptop. The CIC Incoming Students webpage will have CIC specific information as it becomes available.

I look forward to working with you in the coming Academic Year as your Dean of Students. As reflected on the NDU CIC website, the current Dean of Students is my friend and colleague Captain Roman C. Mills. I will assume his duties as the Dean of Students for your class – Class of 2027. Don't hesitate to contact me at 256-348-1503 or Christopher.m.martinez.mil@ndu.edu for any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Martinez", is written over the typed name.

Christopher Martinez  
Colonel, U.S. Army