THE ANNA SOBOL LEVY FELLOWSHIP

at the LAUDER SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT, DIPLOMACY & STRATEGY
at IDC HERZLIYA

The purpose of this fellowship is to provide future US leaders considering a military or government career, an opportunity to learn first-hand about Middle East regional politics, culture and security affairs. Fellows gain direct exposure to Israel’s unusually challenging defense and security situation and to Israel’s approaches to counter-terrorism and low-intensity conflict.

Are you interested in developing a career in the United States security establishment?

Do you want to study counter-terrorism from the best Israeli and international scholars and practitioners?

Would you like to receive a generous scholarship that will cover your full tuition?

Become a candidate for an MA in Government with specialization in Counter-Terrorism and Homeland Security or Diplomacy and Conflict Studies at one of the most prestigious academic institutes in these fields worldwide.

IDC is home to ICT (International Institute for Counter-Terrorism) and IPS (Institute of Policy and Strategy) at the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy. ASL Fellows will have access to, and involvement in these world renowned institutes and their conferences.
ASL Fellows participate in educational and informative field trips and attend lectures that are tailor-made to their program. Security clearance and access is provided to the Fellows, as many of the IDC’s faculty and staff have served in various military units and have contacts in such discreet places.

- **Visit** the Gaza - Israel border and receive a battle field tour, current situation update and a visit to a fighting unit which includes sitting in one of the most advanced pieces of armor in the world.
- **See** the tools defending Israel through visits to the Israeli Navy and Air Force.
- **Understand** the close proximity security challenges by visiting the security fence with the West Bank.
- **Grasp** Jerusalem’s unique security challenges through a guided tour by a senior Israel Security Agency (ISA) member.
- **Observe** Lebanon from the Western Galilee and learn about the origins of the Second Lebanon War and the current situation.

“The Anna Sobol Levy Fellowship has been a once in a lifetime experience. The Fellowship provided valuable insight into understanding the international struggle with terrorism, particularly challenges that are relevant to Israel and the United States. As an ASL Fellow I had invaluable experiences that developed a stronger understanding of building cultural bridges and developing a relationship with Israel. In addition, I gained a greater understanding of the US - Israeli partnership in international security and intelligence relations.”

Melissa Castro
Second Lieutenant, US Army

“The Anna Sobol Levy Fellowship provided me with an exceptional opportunity to learn about the security challenges of Israel and the Middle East. By combining the curriculum of the MA Program in Government and the guided field trips to relevant security facilities and military bases, I was able to experience firsthand Israel’s unique situation and how its counter-terrorism strategy has developed over the years to meet evolving threats.”

Amy Saxton
Second Lieutenant, US Army
“A world-class center for the study of counter-terrorism, ICT keeps scholars and operators up to speed with the latest trends in the field. Living on the fault lines of the problems posed by terrorism gives ICT’s work an immediacy and insight that is unparalleled.”

Gen. Montgomery C. Meigs, Former Commander, US Army, Europe

“The Interdisciplinary Center at Herzliya, through its International Institute for Counter-Terrorism, provides one of the best academic settings in the world for the study of the dynamics of, and defense against, international terrorism. Staffed by a broad range of experts that combine both practical and academic expertise in combating terrorism, study at the Institute provides unique and useful insight into one of the 21st century’s most difficult challenges.”

Gen. John Abizaid, Former Commander of the United States Central Command (CENTCOM), USA

“We have maintained a formal and very personal relationship with ICT for almost a decade. It is the premier counter-terrorism learning institution, serving as a critical hub for the counter-terrorism, intelligence and defense communities around the world. ICT’s programs are essential for anyone who wants to be taken seriously in the terrorism domain.”

Dr. Erroll Southers, Associate Director of Research Transition, CREATE, University of Southern California (USC), and Former Presidential nominee (President Obama Administration) for Assistant Secretary of the TSA, USA

“The International Institute for Counter-Terrorism is a world-class organization that is dedicated to educating current and future leaders about the complex phenomenon of terrorism and the best ways to counter this threat. ICT combines its first-rate scholars with a vast network of leading counter-terrorism practitioners and policymakers to provide its students with a one-of-a-kind educational experience.”

Major Dr. Bryan Price, Director, Combating Terrorism Center, US Military Academy, West Point, USA

“There is no better place to educate future leaders in the international struggle against terrorism than the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism at Herzliya’s Interdisciplinary Center. The depth and breadth of its academic programs, and its ability to draw in first-rate scholars from around the world, and its partnering with other centers in pursuit of understanding this phenomenon, marks ICT as head and shoulders above other institutions of its type. We at the George C. Marshall Center are privileged to have a close relationship with this cutting edge institution.”

Lt. Gen. Keith Dayton, Director, Marshall Center
APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Candidates should have studied in the fields of military studies, economic geography, international relations, political science and/or history.

- Applicants should be under the age of thirty at the time of application.

- Candidates must have career goals and background in the armed services, diplomatic corps, government or public service.

- Recent college graduates and students currently enrolled in graduate programs are encouraged to apply.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Applicants for the Fellowship must apply for admission to the MA Government specialization in Counter-Terrorism and Homeland Security or Diplomacy & Conflict Studies by applying online https://www.idc.ac.il/BAMAOnline/register_formMamba.aspx

- Complete the Anna Sobol Levy Fellowship Supplemental Essay and email it to rris.master@idc.ac.il

- Essay Topic: Include a description of your prior activities in the field of military studies, economic geography, international relations, political science or history. In addition, you should describe your career goals in the armed services, diplomatic corps, international relations, government or public service.

- All applicants are encouraged to file the need-based financial aid application in order to determine whether they qualify for additional funding.

- Application deadline August 31, 2017.