



IMPLICATIONS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON NATIONAL SECURITY

Date: April 7-8, 2021

Location: UNG's Dahlonega Campus, Convocation Center

The novel coronavirus (COVID-19) global pandemic posed new strategic challenges within the political, military, economic, social, infrastructure, information (PMESII), and intelligence domains of nation-states. To analyze the implications of the pandemic's impact on these domains and to explore their implications on national security the Institute for Leadership and Strategic Studies, the College of Arts and Letters, UNG Press and the Army Strategist Association are pleased to announce a symposium on the topic for the purpose of contributing to the scholarly discussion of this complex and strategically challenging issue.

For the purpose of this symposium, national security is the safekeeping of the nation as a whole. Its highest order of business is the protection of the nation and its people from attack and other external dangers by maintaining armed forces and guarding state secrets. Because national security entails both national defense and the protection of a series of geopolitical, economic, and other interests, it affects not only defense policy, but foreign and other policies as well.

Symposium format. The symposium will consist of a series of speakers and panels on 7 and 8 April as well as undergraduate student presentations on the afternoon of 8 April. Panelists will be selected competitively from those who submit abstracts for papers, and tentatively, travel and lodging will be covered by the symposium. Paper submission guidelines are below. Undergraduate student involvement information is in the "Student Presentations" tab below.

Writing contest. A writing contest will be held in conjunction with the symposium and judged by PhD professors at the University of North Georgia. Cash honoraria will be awarded to the winning author and two runners-up. The winner will be afforded the opportunity to attend the symposium at no cost with travel and lodging paid by the symposium. For details visit go.ung.edu/symposium and click on the "Writing Contest" tab at the bottom.

ILSS Symposium 2021 Paper Submission Guidelines

U.S. and international scholars, graduate, and undergraduate students are invited to submit abstracts for papers on topics related to the theme. Please submit abstracts (500 words) and short bio (150 words) by January 18, 2021 to keith.antonio@ung.edu. Panel presentations will be a maximum of 20 minutes in length. Participants will be notified of acceptance by February 8, 2021.

SPEAKERS



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