



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

JULY 2017

AS WE APPROACH 10 YEARS SINCE THE FOUNDATION'S ESTABLISHMENT...

WE ARE DEDICATED TO OUR CURRENT FOCUS AREAS – PUBLIC SERVICE AND GREATER CENTRAL ASIA. THESE INCLUDE OUR FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS AND ENCOURAGING THE NETWORKS THAT HAVE DEVELOPED AMONG THE IMPRESSIVE LEADERS WHO COMPRISE THEM, AS WELL AS OUR SUPPORT OF A NUMBER OF TOP-RATE MILITARY CHARITIES THAT ASSIST THE MEN AND WOMEN OF OUR NATION'S ARMED FORCES, VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES. AS WE ADVANCE THE FOUNDATION'S PROGRAMS, OUR MISSION TO ENCOURAGE LEADERSHIP, PUBLIC SERVICE AND FREE SYSTEMS REMAINS AT THE CORE OF OUR EFFORTS. WE THANK OUR FRIENDS, PARTNERS AND THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN INVOLVED, INTERESTED AND SUPPORTIVE OF OUR WORK. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO ADVANCES IN THE YEARS AHEAD.



MISSION

THE RUMSFELD FOUNDATION ENCOURAGES LEADERSHIP, PUBLIC SERVICE AND FREE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SYSTEMS AT HOME AND ABROAD. OUR FOCUS AREAS INCLUDE [PUBLIC SERVICE](#) AND [GREATER CENTRAL ASIA](#) WITH PROGRAMS AND GRANTS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

Encouraging gifted scholars to serve the nation by pursuing a career in public service and public policy-related fields

CENTRAL ASIA-CAUCASUS FELLOWSHIPS

Connecting young leaders with their regional counterparts as their nations transition to freer systems

TROOPS

Honoring our nation's military through partnerships with organizations that assist returning veterans, the wounded, their families and the families of the fallen

CAMCA REGIONAL FORUMS

A regional platform for rising leaders to promote discussions on advancing economic growth and development across Greater Central Asia

FOUNDATION IN REVIEW

WE ARE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR RISING LEADERS, HONORING SERVICE TO OUR NATION AND TO PROMOTING LIBERTY. SINCE 2007 THE FOUNDATION'S IMPACT ACROSS OUR FOCUS AREAS INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND PROGRAM EVENTS:



10

years in
operation



\$11mil+

in grants
to date



300+

Fellowships for
young leaders



10

Fellowship
Alumni
Conferences



171

Central Asia
Caucasus
Fellows



114

Graduate
Fellows



\$4.7mil+

in military
grants



4

CAMCA
Regional
Forums

2016 IN REVIEW

- [Received the Community Impact Award from Luke's Wings](#)
- [Eastern Shore Spring Retreat for Graduate Fellows](#)
- 2 successful groups of Central Asia-Caucasus Fellows
- Visits from alumni of the Fellowship Programs
- [Global Trade Magazine article](#)
- [2016 Concordia Summit partnership](#)
- [Rumsfeld a HillVet's 100 Honoree](#)
- [2016 CAMCA Regional Forum in Tbilisi, Georgia](#)
- [Travis Manion Foundation Event](#)



SOME HIGHLIGHTS AND DEVELOPMENTS THROUGHOUT 2016 INCLUDE...



GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

THE FOUNDATION CONTINUES TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO OUTSTANDING GRADUATE-LEVEL SCHOLARS INTERESTED IN SERVING THE NATION THROUGH PUBLIC SERVICE OR IN PUBLIC POLICY-RELATED FIELDS. THE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM SUPPORTS M.A. AND PH.D. CANDIDATES, POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCHERS AND GRADUATE STUDENTS PURSUING PUBLIC SERVICE RELATED INTERNSHIPS. SCHOLARS ARE NOMINATED BY AN IMPRESSIVE TEAM OF ADVISERS AT UNIVERSITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. WE ARE ENCOURAGED AS WE FOLLOW THE PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE FELLOWS AS THEY ENTER IMPORTANT ROLES SERVING THEIR COMMUNITIES AND THE NATION.



23
Advisers



\$2mil+
in Graduate
Fellowships
granted



114
Graduate
Fellows



143
Fellowships
granted

2016/17 ACADEMIC YEAR

20 Graduate Fellows
8 PhD Candidates
11 MA/MS Scholars
1 JD Scholar

FELLOW FEATURE



Name: Bates Hoyt
School: Missouri State University
Fellow: 2011-2012
Degree: MS in Defense & Strategic Studies
Current Employer: U.S. Department of Defense

“IT BECOMES CLEARER TO ME YEAR AFTER YEAR THAT THE GREATER VALUE OF THE RUMSFELD FOUNDATION GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP IS THE NETWORK AND ITS ENDLESS POTENTIAL. THE OPPORTUNITY TO GATHER EACH YEAR WITH ADVISERS AND CURRENT AND FORMER FELLOWS FROM SO MANY DIFFERENT WALKS OF PUBLIC SERVICE IS TRULY REWARDING.”

GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP NETWORK

CURRENT AND FORMER FELLOWS OF THE PROGRAM FORM AN IMPRESSIVE NETWORK OF RISING LEADERS WORKING ACROSS SECTORS AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS. WE SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGE THIS GROWING NETWORK OF SCHOLARS AND PRACTITIONERS AND OFFER EVENTS FOR THEIR ENGAGEMENT AND CONNECTIVITY. THESE NETWORK EVENTS INCLUDE SPEAKERS, WEEKEND RETREATS, RECEPTIONS, BOOK DISCUSSIONS AND ANNUAL CONFERENCES.

ALUMNI EMPLOYERS

City Council
Defense Intelligence Agency
Department of Energy
Department of Justice
Department of State
Department of the Treasury
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Federal Reserve Board
Missile Defense Agency
National Bureau of Economic Research
Office of the Secretary of Defense
U.S. Congress
U.S. Military
U.S. Naval War College
Universities across the country

75%

OF GRADUATES CURRENTLY
IN PUBLIC SERVICE
OR POLICY FIELDS

16

FELLOWS WITH
MILITARY SERVICE

2016 IN REVIEW

ANNUAL GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP CONFERENCE

Theme: American Leadership
in the 21st Century

Sept. 22-23, 2016
Washington, D.C.

Keynote: General Peter
Pace, USMC ret.

SPRING RETREAT

May 21, 2016

Eastern Shore, Maryland

Guest Speaker: Dr. J.D.
Crouch, USO President

[Conference Recap >>](#)
[Spring Retreat Recap >>](#)



FELLOWS AND ADVISERS PARTICIPATED IN A NUMBER OF
GATHERINGS THROUGHOUT 2016...



CENTRAL ASIA - CAUCASUS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

THE FOUNDATION CONTINUES TO SUPPORT A NETWORK OF TALENTED PROFESSIONALS ACROSS THE GREATER CENTRAL ASIA REGION. FOR A SIX-WEEK SESSION, THE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM BRINGS YOUNG LEADERS FROM CENTRAL ASIA, THE CAUCASUS, AFGHANISTAN AND MONGOLIA TO WASHINGTON, D.C. TO MEET WITH TOP POLICY-MAKERS, BUSINESS LEADERS, MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES, ACADEMICS AND REGIONAL EXPERTS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND HOW DECISION MAKING AND POLICY PROCESSES WORK IN THE UNITED STATES. THE PROGRAM ENCOURAGES LINKAGES ACROSS THE REGION AND AN INTRAREGIONAL EXCHANGE OF IDEAS, AND FOSTERS BETTER UNDERSTANDING AND STRONGER RELATIONS AMONG THE UNITED STATES AND THE TEN COUNTRIES OF THE REGION.



171

Central Asia
Caucasus
Fellows



18

Fellowship
Sessions



6

Alumni
Conferences



10

Countries

OUR PARTNER ORGANIZATION, THE [CENTRAL ASIA-CAUCASUS INSTITUTE](#), IS A TRANSATLANTIC RESEARCH AND POLICY CENTER AT THE [AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY COUNCIL](#)

LEARN MORE AT:

www.silkroadstudies.org/
www.afpc.org/



**American Foreign
Policy Council**

FELLOW FEATURE



Name: Lotfullah Najafizada

Session: Fall 2016

Country: Afghanistan

Current Position: Director, TOLONews,
Afghanistan's first 24-hour news station

“ THE PROGRAM CHALLENGES YOU IMMENSELY AND OPENS YOUR WORLD AS A RESULT. AFTER SCORES OF MEETINGS AND INTERACTIONS, YOU LEAVE THE PROGRAM AS A DIFFERENT PERSON – A MORE SOPHISTICATED ONE AND A BELIEVER OF ENGAGEMENT WITHIN YOUR REGION AND BEYOND. ”

CENTRAL ASIA-CAUCASUS FELLOWSHIP NETWORK

THE ALUMNI FROM EACH OF THE TEN COUNTRIES ARE LED BY A NATIONAL COORDINATOR ELECTED BY THE FELLOWS WHO PARTICIPATES IN THE FELLOWSHIP ALUMNI COUNCIL. NATIONAL COORDINATORS ORGANIZE ALUMNI MEETINGS IN THEIR COUNTRIES AND SERVE AS A KEY REPRESENTATIVE AND POINT OF CONTACT FOR THE BROADER NETWORK.



AFGHANISTAN // ARMENIA
AZERBAIJAN // GEORGIA
KAZAKHSTAN // KYRGYZSTAN
MONGOLIA // TAJIKISTAN
TURKMENISTAN // UZBEKISTAN

"THE RUMSFELD FELLOWSHIP
HAS DEVELOPED A
**UNIQUE SELF-MADE
NETWORK OF FUTURE
DECISION MAKERS**

WHO HOPE TO CREATE
A BETTER FUTURE FOR THEIR REGION."
– Ruslan Ramanov, Uzbekistan Fellow

2016 IN REVIEW

2016 FELLOWSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

Over **130+** meetings
including sessions with:

- President George W. Bush
- President Margvelashvili
- Vice Pres. Richard Cheney
- Secretary Elaine Chao
- Secretary James Mattis
- Dr. Art Laffer
- Governor Tom Ridge
- Dr. Francis Fukuyama
- Ambassador Carla Hills
- Dr. Frank Luntz
- Mr. Ian Bremmer
- Dr. Zbigniew Brzezinski

[2016 Spring Report >>](#)
[2016 Fall Report >>](#)

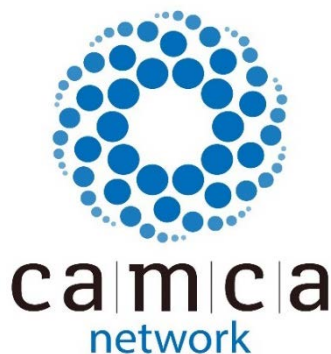


THROUGHOUT 2016 THE FOUNDATION WELCOMED A TOTAL
OF 23 FELLOWS OVER THE SPRING AND FALL SESSIONS.



CAMCA REGIONAL FORUM

WE PARTNER WITH THE CAMCA (CENTRAL ASIA-MONGOLIA-CAUCASUS-AFGHANISTAN) NETWORK AND CENTRAL ASIA-CAUCASUS INSTITUTE TO HOST ANNUAL CAMCA REGIONAL FORUMS WHICH SERVE AS PLATFORMS FOR REGION-WIDE DISCUSSIONS ON ADVANCING ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT IN GREATER CENTRAL ASIA. THE FORUM CONVENES RISING LEADERS FROM ALL SECTORS OF THE 10 COUNTRIES OF THE REGION, TO INCLUDE INTERNATIONAL LEADERS, POLICYMAKERS, RESEARCHERS, CIVIL SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVES AND PRIVATE SECTOR EXECUTIVES.



THE CAMCA NETWORK IS A COLLECTION OF REGIONAL LEADERS AND PROFESSIONALS COMMITTED TO SHARING IDEAS, KNOWLEDGE, EXPERTISE, EXPERIENCE AND INSPIRATION ACROSS THE 10 COUNTRIES OF CENTRAL ASIA, MONGOLIA, THE CAUCASUS AND AFGHANISTAN (CAMCA). ESTABLISHED BY ALUMNI OF THE RUMSFELD FOUNDATION'S CENTRAL ASIA-CAUCASUS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM, MEMBERS OF THE CAMCA NETWORK BELIEVE IN THE VALUE OF A CONNECTED REGION AND ARE DRIVEN TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEVELOPMENT, PROSPERITY AND COOPERATION OF THE REGION THROUGH JOINT ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS.

2016 CAMCA REGIONAL FORUM IN REVIEW

TBILISI, GEORGIA
June 18-19, 2016

160+ Attendees
20 Countries represented

Forum Speakers:

- President of Georgia Giorgi Margvelashvili
- Sec. Donald Rumsfeld
- Prime Minister Giorgi Kvirikashvili
- Dr. S. Frederick Starr
- Minister of Defense Tinatin Khidasheli
- Dr. Frank Luntz
- Amb. R. James Woolsey

[2016 CAMCA
Forum Report >>](#)

“THE CAMCA REGIONAL FORUM IS UNSURPASSED AS A VENUE FOR ENGAGING BOTH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND BUSINESS LEADERS IN WHAT IS AN INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT EMERGING MARKET. AS A FORUM ATTENDEE, I ENJOYED INCREDIBLE ACCESS TO INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKERS AND TO THE DYNAMIC AND CREATIVE PARTICIPANTS FROM THE REGION. – SENIOR ADVISOR, MCLARTY ASSOCIATES ”



MILITARY CHARITIES

THE FOUNDATION REMAINS DEDICATED AND GRATEFUL TO THOSE WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO SERVE IN THE UNITED STATES MILITARY. WE HONOR THEIR SERVICE AND THAT OF THEIR FAMILIES THROUGHOUT THEIR DEPLOYMENTS, AS THEY RETURN HOME AND IN THE YEARS TO FOLLOW THROUGH STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS WITH ORGANIZATIONS ENGAGED WITH THE MILITARY AND VETERAN COMMUNITY. OUR GRANTS HELP TOP-RATE CHARITIES PROVIDE IMPORTANT ASSISTANCE TO SERVICE MEMBERS, VETERANS, THE WOUNDED AND FAMILIES OF THE FALLEN.

OUR PARTNERS OFFER AN ARRAY OF SERVICES
AND PROGRAMS IN 5 KEY AREAS:

EMPLOYMENT
& TRANSITION

WOUNDED
VETERANS

OUTDOOR
REHABILITATIVE
ACTIVITIES

MILITARY
FAMILIES

SPECIAL
OPERATIONS
COMMUNITY



9
years of
grants



4.7mil+
in grants



20+
Partners



5
Key Focus
Areas

TO VIEW A LIST OF OUR PARTNER
ORGANIZATIONS, **PLEASE VISIT**

[WWW.RUMSFELDFOUNDATION.ORG](http://WWW.RUMSFELDFOUNDATION.ORG/PUBLIC_SERVICE/OUR_PARTNERS)
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PARTNER SPOTLIGHT



Partner: Luke's Wings

www.lukeswings.org/

Mission: To provide families with transportation to visit during a service member's hospitalization and rehabilitation

RF Support: Over \$100,000 since 2011

2016 Highlight: The Foundation accepted the [Community Impact Award](#) from Luke's Wings at their 2016 Heroes Gala.

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*We greatly appreciate the more than \$1.2 million in
donations the Foundation has received from over 100
supporters since 2007.*

All of Don Rumsfeld's profits from his memoir,
[Known and Unknown](#), and his [Churchill Solitaire](#)
App go to the military charities we support.

Profits donated to date total over \$717K.

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www.rumsfeldfoundation.org

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INTEREST AND SUPPORT!