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SUBJECT: Defense Security Cooperation Agency Policy Memorandum 24-44, International
Military Student Alumni Connectivity and Engagement [SAMM E-Change 694]

This memorandum updates the Security Assistance Management Manual (SAMM) with new policy related to International Military Student Alumni Connectivity and Engagement (ACE) program. The policy in the attachment is incorporated into the DSCA SAMM at <https://samm.dsc.mil>.

If you have any questions concerning this guidance, please contact DSCA Defense Security Cooperation University, International Military Education and Training (DSCU/IMTE), dsc.ncr.bpc.mbx.ims-alumni-connectivity-engagement@mail.mil. For questions relating to the SAMM, please contact DSCA (Office of Strategy, Plans, and Policy, Execution Policy and Analysis Directorate (SPP/EPA)), dsc.ncr.spp.mbx.epa@mail.mil.

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Attachment:
SAMM E-Change 694

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1. Add Section C10.23. to the SAMM

C10.23. Post Training Activities

C10.23.1. International Military Student Alumni Connectivity and Engagement. DSCA (Defense Security Cooperation University, International Military Training and Education Division (DSCU/IMTE)) Division is the DSCA focal point for DoD International Military Student (IMS) alumni activities.

C10.23.1.1. To further National Defense Strategy and National Security Strategy objectives, DSCA (DSCU/IMTE) administers and executes the IMS Alumni Connectivity and Engagement (ACE) Program. Consistent with security cooperation authorities and subject to funding availability, the ACE Program ensures early and continuous consideration, engagement, and, where possible, collaboration with Ally and partner alumni and select personnel to advance our shared interests. ACE supports the DoD Action Plan for the Strategic Evaluation of International Professional Military Education; Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Instruction (CJCSI) 1807.01 (“International Professional Military Education Strategy”) (not for public release), which emphasizes the near and long-term benefits of international Professional Military Education (PME) alumni engagement; as well as the Department of State’s (State’s) annual International Military Education and Training (IMET)-funded Alumni Engagement Seminars.

C10.23.1.2. DSCA (DSCU/IMTE) identifies and advocates for DSCA resourcing any DoD-wide required informational technology solutions to support ACE objectives. DSCA (DSCU/IMTE) collects and consolidates DoD-wide IMS alumni related data to support the execution of planned DoD alumni engagements. DSCA (DSCU/IMTE) supports the development of DSCA policy and implementation guidance related to management of alumni data and the execution of alumni engagements. DSCA (DSCU/IMTE) advises DSCA and DSCU leadership on resourcing and planning decisions associated with the administration of the ACE Program.

C10.23.2. International Military Education and Training Alumni Engagement Seminars. DSCA reviews the annual DoD submissions for State’s IMET-funded International Military Education and Training Alumni Engagement Seminars. Seminar approval is contingent upon support of broader national strategy objectives. Seminar locations and target audiences are planned five years in advance, deconflicting locations and dates for all seminars. Inclusion of subject matter, such as Women, Peace and Security; Climate; Civilian Harm Mitigation and Response; Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO) professional development; etc., are developed in collaboration with the National Defense University (NDU), Regional Centers, the Irregular Warfare Center, and other DoD organizations.

Table C10.T22. International Military Education and Training Alumni Engagement Seminar Timeline

Date*		Action
March	Start	Schoolhouse submission to State Bureau of Political-Military Affairs (PM) and DSCA for review and coordination. School houses will submit proposals by email, using State’s proposal form, to State (PM) and DSCA.
April	Start	DSCA reviews submissions and provide recommendations to State (PM).
May	Start	State (PM) approves or rejects proposed IMET-funded seminars. State is responsible for any required IMET-related Congressional Notifications.
No later than (NLT) October 1	Start	State releases IMET funds.
* Note: Dates may vary depending on the work week each year		