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SUBJECT: Global Master of Arts Program (GMAP) II Part-time Guidance

The GMAP II is an extremely challenging 12-month, part-time, advanced academic degree program, sponsored by the Defense Security Cooperation Agency, at Tufts University, The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. The program is designed to deliberately develop the skills of selected civilian and military personnel working in international affairs positions.

The GMAP II curriculum combines three mandatory two-week residency sessions with state-of-the-art internet-based courses of study. Typically, students must devote approximately 20 hours a week to their studies. The workload normally increases around residency periods, examinations, and class projects. Since GMAP II is structured to be a part-time program, students must make a commitment to devote personal time to successfully complete academic requirements, and maintain a high level of performance in their assigned positions. Sponsoring Commands and commanders/supervisors should allow GMAP II participants enough flexibility to develop a reasonable balance between work and academic schedules. In addition to attending the mandatory residency sessions, students should also be allowed 30 days of alternate duty during the course of the academic year to complete GMAP II requirements.

Adherence to this guidance will ensure consistent support for all GMAP II participants and allow sponsoring organizations to effectively manage workload while their employees are enrolled in the program. My point of contact for the GMAP II program is Mr. Gordon-Michael Cox, SAF/IAPA, DSN 425-0028 or email: [gordonmichael.cox@pentagon.af.mil](mailto:gordonmichael.cox@pentagon.af.mil). Additionally, GMAP II information is located at <http://www.safia.hq.af.mil/workforceinitiatives/gmapoverview.asp>

  
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