

## CONFERENCES

*An important goal of CSS is the planning and hosting of conferences. CSS has been very active in this area and has hosted conferences on campus, in Washington, D.C., and in the former USSR.*

### March 2005 Deputy Secretary of Defense

Dr. Bowers was invited to give a presentation for Deputy Secretary of Defense Jim Maccougall (*above right*) on 25 March 2005 in the Pentagon. Bowers outlined the CSS border security work in the Caucasus region.



### September 2003 Developmental Impact of Islam

Staff and students participated in a two day conference on the developmental impact of Islam. Presentations were made by Dr. Ed Kassira and former US Congressman John Conlan. Dr. Kassira, a CSS Research Professor who worked with Saddam Hussein in the development of a chemical weapons program in the early 1980s, discussed the technological feasibility of chemical warfare and Congressman Conlan discussed the role of the legislative process in preparing legal responses to the threat of international terrorism.



### **July 2003 Conference on Political Impact of Islam**

These workshops have allowed students and faculty to develop professional relationships with nationally recognized specialists such as Jonathan Schanzer (on the right) who joined Professor Scott Hammond in this conference which was held in Washington in 2003.



### **February, 2003**

Working through the NGO movement, our office in Moldova helped sponsor conferences in Kiev and Kislovodsk dealing with developmental issues in Central Asia and the Caucasus. Pictured above is the Central Asia group in Kiev.



### **30 April 2002**

GUUAM, 3rd Conference: We hosted this conference, an examination of East European regional security issues, in Washington, DC. The ambassadors of Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan, and Moldova made presentations during the conference.



## 17 January 2002

As a follow-up to our first GUUAM conference in November, 2001, we hosted a smaller meeting on campus to examine security issues related to Azerbaijan and Uzbekistan. Both ambassadors were present and were joined by former US Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger. JMU Chancellor Ronald E. Carrier (pictured at right next to Secretary Eagleburger) acted as the host for the event.



## 29 November 2001 GUAAM Working Session

The GUAAM Conference, held on campus, consisted of both public and private sessions. Four countries were represented by Ambassadors, among which the Ukrainian Ambassador.



## September 2001

The WRNI/CSS has also hosted conferences in the former USSR. Shortly after the terrorist attacks on the United States, we sponsored a conference in Moldova that examined this troubling phenomenon. Professor Joanne Pearson of JMU (pictured on the right) participated in this event.



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