Message from Zia Hashmi

I am indebted to dear friends, colleagues, and former students of mine who worked so hard to establish this lecture series. I am gratified that under Dr. Lubecki’s leadership, this lecture series has become an integral part of the activities of the Center for International Studies. This year, the University will benefit greatly from the enlightening lecture and perspectives of my friend, Dr. Paul Magnarella. His topic is immensely relevant as the conflicts in the Middle East intensify in complexity and overlap in their political, religious, sectarian, and ethnic narratives.

Georgia Southern’s Center for International Studies was established in 1982. Today, 1982 seems a world away. Dramatic changes have occurred in all aspects of our lives. We live in virtual worlds almost as much as we do within our real worlds. But the concepts and principles on which the Center was established are still relevant—and are likely more critical--today. The Center’s foundations are strong and durable.

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Message from Jacek Lubecki

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Thank you very much,
Zia H. Hashmi & Jacek Lubecki