

## DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE INTER-AMERICAN AIR FORCES ACADEMY JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-LACKLAND TEXAS



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## MEMORANDUM FOR ALL IAAFA STUDENTS

FROM: IAAFA/CC

SUBJECT: Inter-American Air Forces Academy (IAAFA) Welcome Letter

- 1. Welcome to the 37th Training Wing and the Inter-American Air Forces Academy (IAAFA). Since 1943, IAAFA has provided world-class education and training to civilian, law enforcement and military personnel of the Americas and other eligible partner nations.
- 2. Our cadre and staff is among the world's best! IAAFA's members are hand-selected from their career fields based on proven performance, subject-matter expertise, language aptitude and their ability to foster international relations. Among their ranks are decorated combat veterans, U.S. Air Force-level award winners, and proven security cooperation professionals. Our team also includes civilian members with vast corporate knowledge as well as Partner Nation Guest Instructors with unique regional perspectives.
- 3. The IAAFA academic catalog includes more than 50 in-residence and distance-learning courses. These courses build technical and professional military skills that will aid our students to strengthen their home-country institutions. More importantly, the IAAFA learning environment promotes nation-to-nation cooperation by bolstering our shared values of peace, freedom and equality.
- 4. The IAAFA familia is committed to providing our staff and students an "ecosystem" of learning and professional and cultural opportunities. I encourage you to become acquainted with your instructors and classmates, get involved in extra-curricular activities and help make our institution better.
- 5. I look forward to seeing you throughout your time at the Gateway Wing. Whether at the training flight line, the IAAFA Training Center, or one of our famous fiestas, it is sure to be an enriching experience!

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