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Georgetown Public Policy Institute Expands Partnership With the Department of Defense Inspector General

On Wednesday, January 5, 2005, the Georgetown Public Policy Institute (GPPI) extended its partnership with the Department of Defense Inspector General's office (DoD IG). The original partnership, established in August 2003, called for 35 students from the DoD IG to enroll in GPPI's Master in Policy Management (MPM). Those students are set to graduate from the MPM program in May 2005. The new extension will bring in another 35 students from various audit and inspection agencies across the Department of Defense. The new students will begin the MPM program in Fall 2005.



DoD Inspector General Joseph E. Schmitz signs the agreement extending the partnership with the GPPI as Darryl E. Christmon, Chief Financial Officer of the Georgetown University Main Campus, looks on.

David Lightfoot, Dean of the Graduate School, Joseph Schmitz, Inspector General of the DoD, and Darryl Christmon, Chief Financial Officer of Georgetown's Main Campus, signed a Memorandum of Understanding. Schmitz hailed the Georgetown partnership as the IG's premier education and training program. Judy Feder, Dean of GPPI, said that the partnership was "good for Georgetown, good for the IG, and good for the country."

The DoD IG serves as the principal advisor to the Secretary of Defense for matters relating to the economy, efficiency and effectiveness of programs and operations of the Department, as well as the prevention of waste, fraud, and abuse. The DoD IG students represent the full spectrum of IG functions, including audit, investigations, and inspections.

Ranked 17th nationally by U.S. News and World Report, GPPI has developed an international reputation as a leading public policy school in the fields of health policy,

social policy, public management, and international policy and development. In the core field of policy analysis, GPPI is ranked among the top ten schools in the United States.

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