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## National Defense University iCollege's Ricardo Aguilera and Gary Maupin Win the AGA 2011 Educator Award

(Washington, DC) The NDU iCollege is proud to announce that Ricardo Aguilera, Associate Professor of the college's Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Academy, and Gary Maupin, Professor and CFO Council Faculty Chair of the CFO Academy, won the 2011 Educator Award from the Association of Government Accountants (AGA). AGA supports the careers and professional development of government (federal, state, and local), financial professionals and annually recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to the education and training of government financial managers.

Criteria for the nomination directed that candidates show they have made a significant impact on government financial management or advanced the state of the art of government financial management. Both Aguilera and Maupin were chosen for the award due to their outstanding contributions in educating CFO students, developing educational curriculum, and demonstrating leadership at the CFO Academy. The U.S. Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Council, with the sponsorship of the Department of Defense (DoD) Comptroller, launched the CFO Academy in the summer of 2008 at the National Defense University's Information Resource Management College (NDU iCollege). The CFO Academy offers graduate-level courses and services for midto-senior-level personnel in the government financial management community to prepare them to create and lead the strategic and financial aspects of the 21st Century government organizations.

Awards will be presented to recipients at the 60th Annual Professional Development Conference and Exposition to be held on July 10-13, 2011, at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Atlanta, Georgia. Congratulations to Ricardo and Gary!

About the College - The NDU iCollege, a U.S. Department of Defense educational institution, prepares leaders to direct the information component of national power by leveraging information and information technology for strategic advantage. Although most students come from DoD (military and civilians), the school also accepts Federal Agency, and international students into its graduate programs. Education is focused around CIO, CFO, Information Assurance/Cyber, Enterprise Architecture, IT Project Management, and other information leadership competencies. The NDU iCollege also has a new Master of Science Degree in Government Strategic Leadership. Students are already active in the program and new applications will be accepted soon. Courses at the college are completed on campus and/or online.

For more information about the NDU iCollege's programs, please contact: Jolly Sienda at <u>jolly.sienda.ctr@ndu.edu</u>; or for general information about the college, visit: www.ndu.edu/icollege.

About NDU - The National Defense University is the nation's premier center for joint professional military education. The university is an accredited graduate-level institution that provides an educational and research environment to prepare future leaders of the armed forces and civilian agencies for high-level policy, command, and staff responsibilities.

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