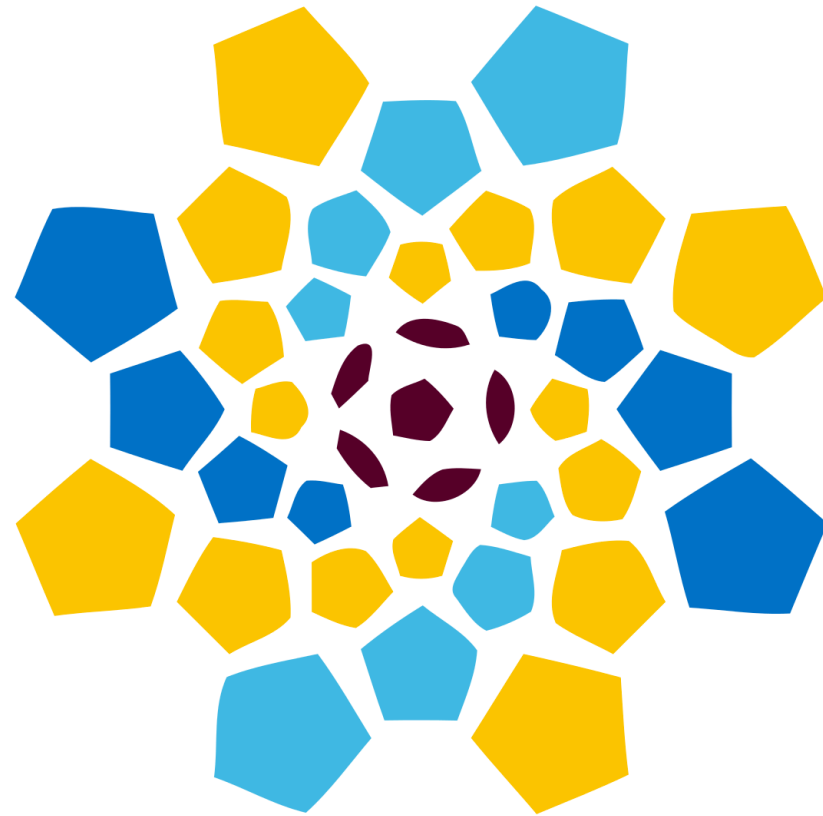


# *Doha, Qatar 2022 World Cup*

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As a Malone Fellow with the National Council on US - Arab Relations, I travelled to Qatar twice for a research trip / study visit on Qatari domestic and foreign policy.

In 2014, the fellowship focused on Qatari politics/culture and also looked into the beginnings of its preparations for the 2022 World Cup. In 2017, I returned to Doha for additional meetings with the Supreme Committee for Delivery & Legacy, the 2022 FIFA Organizers, and discussed progress, recent changes in direction in light of foreign policy challenges, and the Supreme Committee's interest in a 2028 or 2032 Olympics.

Qatar has quickly learned that becoming an active player in international diplomacy has pushed their small nation into the center of International Politics in a variety of issues. Their ability to effectively wield soft power has established them as a relevant player in the Middle East and abroad.

In light of these opportunities, I present several lectures on Sport in Asia and on the use of the World Cup in international Relations. Lectures were given in the United States and Japan.