

JSOU NEXT Future of SOF Forums are a sequence of quarterly-running learning experience forums meant to explore themes, topics, and questions that are important to the current and future profession of special operations and the SOF Enterprise.

We pose questions and pursue discourse among divergent perspectives in order to frame and understand problems, before looking for solutions.

First, the SOF Identity Forums cover matters ranging from the promise and potential perils of emergent and disruptive technology, moral-ethical implications, and diversity and inclusion, exploring SOF - as a profession - as it has been, is now, and will be tomorrow, considering evolving global challenges, national interests and operational requirements.

Second, SOF in Strategic Competition Forums, focus on matters relating to use and utility of special operations forces, exploring our role in a competitive global environment w/ highly complex, complicated, intersectional, and 'compound security' challenges.

Our Quarterly-running Forums explore these topical areas in both the unclassified and classified contexts and informational domains.

Together, these quarterly forums drive our research initiatives, produce fresh research topics and questions, which refresh and contemporize SOF teach & learning curricula, all while promoting discourse and critical and creative thinking about complex issues in SOF.

These "Future of SOF Forums strengthen the network of thinking and doing SOF professionals for our nation.