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NAFSA and Women's Foreign Policy Group Host Author Dr. Allison Stanger

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On Tuesday, NAFSA was pleased to host Dr. Allison Stanger for the latest installment of the Women's Foreign Policy Group author series. Stanger, who is Director of the Rohatyn Center for International Affairs at Middlebury College, discussed her new book One Nation under Contract: The Outsourcing of American Power and the Future of Foreign Policy.

Stanger touched on the main theme of One Nation Under Contract and described how "Democrats and Republicans alike embrace the outsourcing of government to the private sector whenever possible" and how the contractors they employ have come to "dominate our foreign policy." She also said "outsourcing done right" can fuel innovation and expand "opportunities for individuals to make a difference," especially in the developing world.

In her introducing remarks, NAFSA CEO and Executive Director Marlene M. Johnson made it clear how our work on behalf of international educators contributes to the larger foreign policy goals of the United States. According to Johnson, "the exchange of students is an essential part of developing a healthy foreign policy for this country," and "students who come here and go there are doing the most important part of citizen diplomacy."

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