

Carnes Lord

Bio

Carnes Lord is a political scientist with broad interests in national and international security and the history of political thought. He retired in 2024 from the faculty of the United States Naval War College, in Newport, RI, where he served for nearly twenty-five years as professor and (from 2006) editor of the quarterly Naval War College Review.

Lord's earlier professional career included periods of teaching as well as service in the federal government. He first joined the government as a Foreign Affairs Officer in the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, 1974-76. In 1981-84, he was Director of International Communications and Information Policy on the staff of the National Security Council, and in 1989-91 served as Assistant to the Vice President for National Security Affairs. He has taught at Dartmouth College, Yale University, the University of Virginia, Adelphi University, and the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.

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