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Connor Squier is a second-year psychology doctoral (Psy.D.) student at Saint Elizabeth University in Morristown, New Jersey, U.S.A. His current research focuses on the effects of propaganda on intragroup dynamics as part of targeted psychological operation strategies. Previously, he worked as a research assistant at West Point's Combatting Terrorism Center (CTC), where he assisted with a Carnegie-funded research project addressing the applicability of using counterterrorism techniques for Jihadist terrorist groups and using them on U.S. domestic violent extremist organizations.

Connor's other credentials include a Master's degree in Forensic Psychology, where he focused on applying psychological principles in the national security field, as well as personality and behavior assessments of criminal offenders. His master's capstone project addressed the relationship between U.S. domestic terrorist ideologies and their impact on target selection and execution strategies. Additionally, he earned a bachelor's degree in English and minors in International Studies and Mandarin-Chinese language from The College of New Jersey (TCNJ).

While enrolled at TCNJ, he studied Mandarin at East China Normal University (ECNU) in Shanghai, China, as part of a cultural immersion program, earning him intermediate language proficiency.

Currently, he is conducting his psychotherapy and neuropsychological training with adolescents and young adults in a school setting, and in August of 2025, he will transition to working with adults with developmental disabilities in a healthcare setting. After graduating in 2027, he plans on serving in the U.S. military as a clinical psychologist.

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