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**About**

Leading Southeast Asian political and security analyst. Professor at the National War College. Has completed in-depth studies of terrorism, insurgency and political violence in Thailand, the Philippines, Indonesia, Cambodia, and Malaysia. Studies the intersection of governance, security and human rights. Politics and security developments across Southeast Asia. Author of five books including Forging Peace in Southeast Asia: Insurgencies, Peace Process, and Reconciliation (Rowman & Littlefield, 2016). Adjunct professor at Georgetown University Security Studies Program. Columnist at Benar News. @ZachAbuza

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## Experience

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Southeast Asia security and politics specialist.

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#### [Employment Duration18 yrs](https://www.linkedin.com/search/results/all/?keywords=Simmons%20College)

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## Education

* [Tufts University - The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy](https://www.linkedin.com/school/20006/?legacySchoolId=20006)

[Degree NameMALD & PHD](https://www.linkedin.com/school/20006/?legacySchoolId=20006)

[Field Of StudySoutheast Asia & Security Studies](https://www.linkedin.com/school/20006/?legacySchoolId=20006)

[Dates attended or expected graduation1992 – 1996](https://www.linkedin.com/school/20006/?legacySchoolId=20006)

* [Trinity College-Hartford](https://www.linkedin.com/school/18033/?legacySchoolId=18033)

[Degree NameBachelor of Arts (B.A.)](https://www.linkedin.com/school/18033/?legacySchoolId=18033)

[Field Of StudyEast Asian Studies & Political Science](https://www.linkedin.com/school/18033/?legacySchoolId=18033)

[Dates attended or expected graduation1987 – 1991](https://www.linkedin.com/school/18033/?legacySchoolId=18033)

[Activities and Societies: Phi Beta Kappa](https://www.linkedin.com/school/18033/?legacySchoolId=18033)

## Skills & endorsements

1. [**Southeast Asian politics & security,**](https://www.linkedin.com/in/zachary-abuza-phd-a710389a/detail/skills/(ACoAABUBjvUBfRT5Zkg8YInFJ6vP66xxzp3bxuE,20)/)

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## Accomplishments

### **Publications**

* How Are Indonesia’s Terrorist Groups Weathering the Pandemic?

* The Challenges Facing the Philippines’ Bangsamoro Autonomous Region at One Year

* Weapons, Viruses, and the New Defense Reality in Southeast Asia

* America Should Be Realistic About Its Alliance With Thailand
* False Positives in Thai Counterinsurgency

* The Islamic State Meets Southeast Asia

* The Security Challenges Of The Intractable Rohingya Crisis

* "Death of Islamic State East Asia Leader Abu Dar Puts Philippine Militant Leadership in Flux,"
* Thailand's Stolen Election

* Counterterrorism In Southeast Asia

* Where Did the U.S. Go Wrong in the Philippines? A Hard Look at a 'Success' Story,

* Myanmar's Tatmadaw and the Making of the Arakan Rohingya Salvation Army

* Mahem in Marawi

* What’s Really Behind Vietnam’s Abduction in Germany?

* Vietnam's Military Modernization

* The Strategic and Tactical Implications of the Islamic State on Southeast Asia’s Militant Groups

* Thai Peace Talks More Fig Leaf Than Olive Branch

* Violence in Thailand’s Deep South

* Hanoi’s hopes rise with China’s dashed nine-dash line

* Trilateral Maritime Patrols in the Sulu Sea: Asymmetry in Need, Capability, and Political Will

Books,

Forging Peace in Southeast Asia:  Insurgencies, Peace Processes, and Reconciliation (2016)

Conspiracy of Silence:  The Insurgency in Southern Thailand (2008)

Political Islam and Violence in Indonesia (2006)

Militant Islam in Southeast Asia (2003)

Renovating Politics in Contemporary Vietnam (2001).

Authored the Southeast Asian chapter in the acclaimed study, Leaving Terrorism Behind, as well as the the National Endowment for Democracy’s 2015 report on the media and civil society in Vietnam. In addition, he has authored four monographs on security issues in Southeast Asia. He is currently working on a project for the National Defense University's Project in Irregular Warfare, as well as a study on Thai counter-insurgency strategy. He has twice served as a Congressional witness.  In 2004-05, he was a Senior Fellow at the US Institute of Peace and a recipient of a Fulbright Fellowship.  He received his B.A. from Trinity College (1991), and M.A.L.D. (1994) and Ph.D. (1998) from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University.  He is a frequent commentator in the media and has traveled extensively throughout the region. He is an avid cyclist, sea kayaker, and back country skier. The father of twins, he's totally into character building.  He's an accomplished cabinet maker.

**FUNCTIONAL EXPERTISE**: terrorism, insurgencies, peace processes, rule of law, human rights, maritime security

**REGIONAL EXPERTISE**: Southeast Asia