

Biography: Professor Michael Evans



Professor Michael Evans is the General Sir Francis Hassetts Chair of Military Studies at the Australian Defence College and a Professor in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences at Deakin University. Between 2002 and 2006 he was Head of the Australian Army's Land Warfare Studies Centre at the Royal Military College, Duntroon. Professor Evans has also served on the staff of Land Headquarters in Sydney (1994-95) and in the Directorate of Army Research and Analysis in Army Headquarters in Canberra (1996-98). Born in Wales, Professor Evans is a graduate in war studies of the University of Rhodesia (BA Hons First Class Honours), the University of London (MA War Studies) and The University of Western Australia (PhD). He has been a Sir Alfred Beit Fellow in the Department of War Studies at King's College, University of London and a J. W. Jagger Scholar at the University of Cape Town. He has held Visiting Fellowships at the University of York in England and at the University of New South Wales at ADFA and is an Adjunct Senior Fellow at the New Zealand Defence Force Command and Staff College where he runs the NZDF's annual Contemporary Warfare Course. He is a former editor of the *Australian Army Journal*; a former member of the editorial board of the *Australian Journal of International Affairs* and is a current member of the management board of the *Australian Defence Force Journal*.

Professor Evans' saw military service in the Rhodesian security forces and was later a regular officer in the post-civil war Zimbabwe Army where he worked closely with the British Army in the integration of two rival guerrilla armies into a conventional land force. He is a Member of the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS), serves on the international editorial boards of two leading journals, the *Journal of Strategic Studies* and *Small Wars and Insurgencies*. Professor Evans' is extensively published in Australia and overseas, particularly in the US and is a recipient of the US

Naval War College Foundation's Hugh G. Nott Award, and of the US Army War College Foundation's Elihu Root Prize for excellence in military scholarship. As a military doctrine specialist, he was the lead author of the Australian Army's LWD 3-0-1, *Counterinsurgency* (December 2009) and a lead consultant on the Army's 2014 capstone doctrine, LWD 1, *The Fundamentals of Land Power* (May 2014) and is currently working on LWD 0-0 Army leadership doctrine to be released in 2018. Professor Evans is also involved in professional development programs for Stoic resilience philosophy inside the ADF. He is currently working on Australian maritime strategy and is responsible for the Australian Defence Department's Apollo (Future Warfare Analysis) Course for ADF and allied officers, and APS personnel.

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