GAPP students conclude summer course by diplomatic visit to ECFA

As part of Summer course “Diplomacy and International Security” (PPAD 5199) Ambassador Professor Sameh Aboul Enein, adjunct professor for international security & disarmament at the School of Global Affairs and Public Policy led a diplomatic study visit to the Egyptian Council for Foreign Affairs (ECFA).

The graduate students had a lively interactive session with Ambassador Mohamed Shaker, chairman of the board, and Ambassador Sayed Shalaby, executive director of the council. At the beginning, the students listened to a brief on foreign policy making, decisions making in foreign relations, work of embassies abroad, and the role of ECFA in the society as one of the crucial NGOs in Egypt.

Students were introduced to the work of the council & its international contacts. They also toured the premises, the council's library, and the study chamber. They actively engaged in invaluable discussions related to the recent issues that concern the Egyptian foreign affairs, such as the tripartite relations between Egypt, Ethiopian and Sudan, recent attacks on Gaza, and the Iranian nuclear program and its impact on the Middle East countries.