

NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

COURSE FREQUENCY INFORMATION

Program Requirements without a Declared Concentration

Students who DO NOT declare concentration are required to complete the following coursework:

Core Courses: 21 credits (seven courses)

Electives Courses: 15 credits (five courses)

Total Requirements: 36 credits

Program Requirements with Declared Concentration

Students who choose to declare Cyber Security concentration must complete the following coursework:

Core courses: 21 credits (seven courses)

Electives: 6 credits (two courses)

Cyber Security Concentration courses: 9 credits (three courses)

Total Requirements: 36 credits

CORE COURSES REQUIREMENTS

SUBJECT	COURSE NAME	CREDIT	TERM	COURSE FREQUENCY
NSAM 5001	Current Issues in National Security	3	Winter	Every Year
NSAM 5003	National Intelligence Collection	3	Summer	Every Year
NSAM 5004	Border Protection and Military Issues	3	Summer	Every Year
NSAM 5005	Research and Evaluation in National Security Affairs	3	Fall & Summer	Every Year
NSAM 5010	U.S. Foreign Policy and National Security	3	Fall	Every Year
NSAM 5014	Ethical Issues in National Security	3	Fall	Every Year
NSAM 5015	International Relations: Theory and Practice	3	Winter	Every Year
Total Credits :21				

ELECTIVE COURSES REQUIREMENTS:

(1) Choose any five (5) courses from the list below if you are NOT declaring the Cyber Security Concentration

(2) Choose any two (2) courses from the list below for Cyber Security Concentration

SUBJECT	COURSE NAME	CREDIT	TERM	COURSE FREQUENCY
NSAM 5002	Terrorists and Terrorism: Theory and Practice	3	Summer	Even Year
NSAM 5016	Civil Liberties and National Security	3	Winter	Odd Year
NSAM 5020	International Law and Institutions	3	Fall	Odd Year
NSAM 5030	American Government and Domestic Security	3	Winter	Even Year
NSAM 5040	Cyber Conflicts and Statecraft	3	Winter	Every/Odd
DEM 5090	Weapons of Mass Threat and Communicable Diseases	3	Fall	Every Year
NSAM 5502	Directed Readings in National Security Affairs	3	Fall & Winter	Even Year
NSAM 5650	Economic Statecraft in National Security Affairs	3	Fall	Even Year
NSAM 6130	Practicum/Internship	3	Fall & Summer	Even Year
NSAM 6690	*Special Topics in National Security Affairs and International Relations	3	Summer	Every Year
NSAM 6700	Directed Thesis in National Security Affairs and International Relations	3	Fall, Winter & Summer	Every Year
Total Credits without concentration:15				
Total Credit with Cybersecurity concentration: 6				

CYBERSECURITY OPTION

Choose three (3) courses from the list.

Before choosing this option, students must secure permission from the Department of Humanities and Politics. After a consultation, it will be determined whether the student can enter the Cybersecurity concentration if additional foundation courses are required to enter and successfully complete the concentration.

SUBJECT	COURSE NAME	PREREQUISITES	CREDIT	TERM	COURSE FREQUENCY
ISEC 0615	Fundamentals of Cybersecurity		3	Fall, Winter & Summer	Every Year
ISEC 0635	Info Sec Operations Management	ISEC 615	3	Winter & Summer	Every Year
ISEC 0640	Database Security	MIT 0630 & CISC 0660	3	Summer	Every Year
ISEC 0675	Info System Auditing	ISEC 615 & 635	3	Fall & Summer	Every Year
ISEC 0695	Information Security Mgmt. Project	ISEC 615, 635, 655 & 675	3	Fall, Winter & Summer	Every Year
Total Credits: 9					

➡ In addition to successfully completing all required coursework, students must fulfill one of the following culminating requirements:



TABLETOP COMPREHENSIVE EXAM OPTION

Students must pass a comprehensive examination administered by the National Security Affairs and International Relations Program via Canvas over two consecutive weekends. A minimum score of 70% is required to pass. Students are permitted to make up to three attempts to successfully pass the exam.

DIRECTED THESIS OPTION

Students selecting the directed thesis option must complete a total of 6 credits over two academic terms. The thesis is conducted under the guidance of a faculty member who serves as the thesis chair, providing oversight and mentorship throughout the research writing process. Students must formally defend their thesis and achieve a passing grade. A student is permitted up to two opportunities to successfully pass the thesis defense.