

## Summer Institute on National Security Studies June 11-15, 2012 – FIU Modesto A. Maidique Campus

### Program Overview

The changing dynamics of world affairs and new emerging threats over the past decade has expanded the need to study national security and foreign policy. From nuclear proliferation to cyber warfare, the United States faces a daunting geopolitical landscape that will require a diverse workforce and creative thinking. Equally as important, is the need for individuals with strong analytical skills, interests in world affairs broadly defined, and increasing knowledge of the challenges facing the United States and the world in the coming decades, including issues such as international terrorism, transnational crime, climate change and food and health security. The Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy and Citizenship Studies Summer Institute on National Security Studies is directed toward fostering interest in National Security Studies to a new generation of students at the pre-collegiate level.

The Summer Institute on National Security Studies is a multi-disciplinary one-week program to be held from **June 11-15, 2012**, incorporating topics in Foreign Policy Analysis, International Security and assessments of World Politics. All materials associated with the program will be provided. Bus transportation may be arranged and provided by Miami-Dade County Public Schools. FIU parking passes also may be provided as needed for participants. Please note that the Summer Institute is a limited-selection-based program.

### Eligible Applicants

The Summer Institute is open to all Miami-Dade County High School students entering their sophomore year or higher at the time of the program who:

- Have a minimum 3.0 GPA.
- Have an interest in national security, world affairs or cross-disciplinary studies.

### Application Process

Application packets are available on the web at [ippcs.fiu.edu](http://ippcs.fiu.edu). For more information, please call 305-348-2977. Only complete application packets will be considered. Complete application packets include: Summer Institute Application; Student-Parent/Guardian Consent Form; Teacher Recommendation Form; Student Personal Statement; and a non-refundable \$25 application fee (Please use a personal check payable to Florida International University) for early registration. **There will be a \$30 non-refundable application fee for late registration.**

### Application Submission Process

Students: Submit your complete application packet and application fee to your respective FIU Program in National Security Studies affiliated teacher or mail directly to IPPCS at address below.

Please drop off or mail application packets to:

Summer Institute in National Security Studies  
Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy and Citizenship Studies  
Florida International University  
Modesto A. Maidique Campus, LC 220  
11200 SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
Miami, FL 33199

**Early Registration Deadline is March 30, 2012**

**Late Registration Deadline is April 15, 2012**



**Summer Institute on National Security Studies Application  
June 11-15, 2012**

Full Name: (Last Name, First Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cellular: \_\_\_\_\_

Nation of Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_ If not a US citizen, please indicate current visa status \_\_\_\_\_

Gender:  Male  Female Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnic Group:  Black  White  Hispanic  Multiracial  American Indian  
(Optional)  Asian/Pacific Islander  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Your High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade Level:  Senior  Junior  Sophomore  Freshman

Current GPA (UN-WEIGHTED): \_\_\_\_\_

Circle the Test(s) taken and provide applicable scores:

SAT: \_\_\_\_\_ ACT: \_\_\_\_\_ PSAT: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any related Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, Honors or Dual-Enrollment courses completed, year and class or exam grade you received. (Please list additional classes on separate sheet.)

Class	Year Completed	Class or APExam Grade Received

**Please check any previous Gordon Institute events that you may have participated in:**

- 2010 Summer Institute on National Security Studies  Yes  No
- 2011 Spring Strategic Triangle Simulation  Yes  No
- 2011 Summer Institute on National Security Studies  Yes  No
- 2011 Fall Cuban Missile Crisis Simulation  Yes  No

**Transportation:**

**Please mark the appropriate box regarding your transportation needs:**

- Busing by Miami-Dade County Public Schools
- FIU Parking Passes for Personal Vehicle
- None

**A COMPLETE APPLICATION INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

- Summer Institute Application Form & Application Fee
- Student-Parent/Guardian Risk and Liability Consent Form
- Teacher Recommendation Form
- Student Personal Statement (150-word typed personal statement addressing how attending the Summer Institute fulfills your educational and career goals or your interest in national security.)

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**INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED**

**Summer Institute Student - Parent/Guardian  
Risk and Liability Consent Form**

This document sets out a description of a student field trip to Florida International University's Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy and Citizenship Studies Summer Institute on National Security Studies (the "Summer Institute") and provides for a certification of certain obligations and a release and waiver of liability against Florida International University ("FIU" or "University"). Please read before signing.

**The Program:** The Summer Institute on National Security Studies is a week-long program to be held from **June –11-15, 2012** at FIU's Modesto A. Maidique Campus (formerly University Park). The Summer Institute is directed toward fostering interest in National Security Studies to a new generation of students at the pre-collegiate level. The Summer Institute will be multi-disciplinary in nature, incorporating topics in Foreign Policy analysis, International Security and assessments of World Politics.

**Travel and Meals:** Arrangements for travel will be covered by Miami-Dade County Schools and/or FIU. Busing transportation will be arranged and provided by Miami-Dade County Public Schools. FIU parking passes may also be provided as needed for the participants. **Students will have to provide for their own lunch and breakfast. Students can bring their own breakfast and/or lunch or purchase breakfast and/or lunch on campus.**

**Risks of Field Trip:** I understand that participation in the Summer Institute involves risk not found in normal high school field trips. This includes risks involved in traveling to, within and returning from the location. This also includes risks of unique educational activities organized by FIU or its representatives as part of the Summer Institute. I understand and hereby acknowledge that I assume all risks incurred by my participation in the above referenced FIU Summer Institute.

**Health and Safety:** I recognize that I am responsible for my personal medical needs. There are no health-related reasons or problems which restrict my participation in this Program or, if there are, I have informed the Jack D. Gordon Institute of same and we have agreed upon a reasonable accommodation (attach separate statement in writing). It is my responsibility to notify the Jack D. Gordon Institute if there are any medications that I am allergic to or medical treatments I do not want performed. In the event of such medical emergency, I authorize FIU to contact:

(Name) \_\_\_\_\_

(Relationship) \_\_\_\_\_

(Phone) \_\_\_\_\_

(Address) \_\_\_\_\_

**Release:** I understand that the University, its employees or agents are not responsible for any injury, loss, damage, delay, irregularity, or expense arising from the use of any common carrier vehicle, accommodations, or services as the result of accidents, weather, sickness, and other matters beyond the University's power to control. I waive and release all claims against the University and its employees or agents that arise at a time when I am not under the direct supervision of the University or that are caused by my failure to remain under such supervision or to comply with such rules, standards, and instructions.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Parental consent (Required if student is less than 18 years of age at the beginning of program)

The undersigned parent or legal guardian of the above-named student, a minor, hereby consents to the participation of said student in Florida International University's Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy and Citizenship Studies Summer Institute on National Security Studies and agrees to the assumption of risks noted herein.

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Parental/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



**Summer Institute  
Teacher Recommendation Form**

***Part A: To be Completed by Applicant***

**Student Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of High School:** \_\_\_\_\_

I agree that the recommendation I am requesting shall be held in confidence by an official of Florida International University.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Applicant's Signature* *Date*

***Part B: To be Completed by Recommender***

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_ In what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

*Please indicate the strength of your overall endorsement by placing an "X" along the scale.*

	Top 5%	Very Good	Average	Marginal	Poor	Not Observe
Intellectual Ability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Breadth of General Knowledge	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Analytical Ability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to Apply Analytical Skills to Problem Solving	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to Communicate Orally	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to Communicate in Writing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to Communicate Visually/Graphically	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Capacity for Hard Work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Imagination and Creativity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to Work with Deadlines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to Work with Others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motivation and Perserverence Toward Goals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leadership and Organizational Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Potential for Professional Growth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

*(Optional)* Please comment on strengths and weakness you have observed in the applicant:

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*(Optional)* Do you know of any additional matters pertaining to the applicant's character, integrity, responsibility, or related considerations, which should be made known to the admissions staff?

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Please indicate your overall recommendation level for this student:

Highly Recommend    Recommended    Recommended with Reservation    Not Recommended

**Recommender's Full Name Printed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Position/Title:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Subject Area(s) Taught:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Recommender's Signature*