National Security Studies Certificate Program

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Offered through the Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy, the certificate may be awarded to both degree and non-degree seeking students who complete the requirements. For students pursuing a degree, the certificate is a complement to a student’s discipline or major area of studies. For non-degree seeking students, the certificate provides a means for understanding more about national security in the 21st century. This certificate is also offered fully online to cohort students.

Certificate Requirements

1. A total of 18 credit hours of undergraduate course work with a grade of C or higher. Courses must come from the approved UCNSS course listing or be approved by the certificate advisor. Courses may include those in the student’s departmental major, but must also be selected from at least two disciplines outside the student’s departmental major. With the approval of the Director, courses other than those listed herein may be substituted on a case by case basis.

2. A two-course introductory language sequence at FIU with a grade of C or higher. Exemption from this requirement may be obtained through a proficiency examination administered by the FIU Department of Modern Languages. Language courses may not be counted toward the fulfillment of requirement #1 above.

Note: Intermediate-high on the ACTFL exam (1-plus on the US government scale) can normally be attained by students with two undergraduate semesters of basic language instruction and at least one undergraduate semester of intermediate (3000/4000) instruction. Attainment of the required language proficiency is the responsibility of the student, and extra courses to achieve the required proficiency level must be taken outside the UCNSS curriculum.

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Skill Requirement: (3 credit hours)
POS 4784 Analytic Writing
ISS 4385 Effective Governmental Communication

Core Requirement: (6 credit hours)
Select one of the following courses:
ISS 4364 Introduction to Structured Analytic Methods
GIS 3048 Applications of Geographic Information Systems
SYA 3300 Research Methods
Select one of the following courses:
INR 3061 Conflict, Security and Peace Studies in IR
INR 3081 Contemporary International Problems – GL
INR 3102 American Foreign Policy
INR 3303 Foreign Policymaking
INR 4335 Strategic Studies & Security Studies
ISS 3222 Issues in American Foreign Policy

National Security Studies: (3 credit hours)
ISS 3130 Fundamentals of National Security

Electives: (6 credit hours)
Select two of the following courses:

Criminal Justice
CJE 3110 Policing in Society
CCJ 4641 Organized Crime
DSC 4012 Terrorism and Homeland Security – GL
CJE 4174 Comparative Criminal Justice Systems – GL
CJL 4064 Criminal Justice and the Constitution

Economics
ECO 4701 World Economy
ECO 3123 Economics of Poverty
ECP 3200 Economics of Asia
ECS 3402 Political Economy of South America
ECS 3403 Economics of Latin America
ECS 3013 Introduction to Economic Development
ECS 4011 Development Economics I
ECS 4014 Development Economics II
ECS 3203 Intermediate Macroeconomics
ECS 3704 International Economics
ECO 4321 Radical Political Economy
ECO 4400 Economics of Strategy and Information
ECO 4703 International Trade Theory and Policy

Business, Finance and Management
FIN 3652 Asian Financial Markets and Institutions
FIN 4651 Latin American Financial Markets and Institutions
MAN 4660 Business in Latin America
MAN 4930 Special Topics
FIN 4461 Financial Risk Management – Financial Engineering
MAN 4613 International Risk Assessment
MAN 4702 Emergency and Disaster Management
MAN 4930 Special Topics
TRA 4721 Global Logistics

Geography
GEO 3001 Geographies of Global Change – GL
GIS 3048 Applications of Geographic Information Systems
GEO 3421 Cultural Geography
GEO 3471 Political Geography
GEO 3502 Economic Geography – GL
GEA 3212 People, Place, and Environment of North America
GEA 3320 People, Place, and Environment of the Caribbean
GEA 3400 People, Place, and Environment of Latin America
GEA 3500 People, Place, and Environment of Europe
GEA 3554 People, Place, and Environment of Russia and Central Eurasia
GEA 3600 Population and Geography of Africa
GEA 3635 People, Place, and Environment of the Middle East
GEA 4202 People, Places, and Environments of Borderlands

History
AFH 4100 History of Africa I – GL
AFH 4200 History of Africa II
AFH 4342 History of West Africa
AFH 4405 History of East Africa
AFH 4450 History of South Africa – GL
AMH 4170 Civil War and Reconstruction
AMH 4540 US Military History from the Colonial Era to the Present
ASH 3440 History of Japan
ASH 4300 East Asian Civilization and Culture
ASH 4384 History of Women in Asia
ASH 4404 History of China
EUH 2030 Western Civilization: Europe in the Modern Era – GL
EUH 3282 European History, 1945 to Present
EUH 3570 Russian History
EUH 3576 Russian Revolution and the Soviet Union
EUH 4033 Nazism and the Holocaust
EUH 4286 Topics in European History
EUH 4462 History of Modern Germany
LAH 3132 The Formation of Latin America – GL
LAH 3200 Latin America: The National Period – GL
LAH 3450 Central America
LAH 3718 History of U.S.-Latin American Relations
LAH 3740 Comparative History of Latin American Rebellions and Revolutions
LAH 4932 Topics in Latin American History
WOH 3281 Jewish History to 1750
WOH 3282 Modern Jewish History
AMH 3270 Contemporary US History
AMH 4375 Technology and American Society

Politics and International Relations
CPO 3204 African Politics
CPO 3304 Politics of Latin America
CPO 3403 Politics of Middle East
CPO 3502 Politics of Far East
CPO 3643 Russian Politics
CPO 4034 The Politics of Development and Underdevelopment
CPO 4053 Political Repression and Human Rights
CPO 4057 Political Violence and Revolution – GL
CPO 4303 Politics of South America
CPO 4323 Politics of the Caribbean
CPO 4333 Politics of Central America
CPO 4340 Politics of Mexico
CPO 4360 Cuban Politics
CPO 4401 The Arab-Israeli Conflict
CPO 4614 Politics of Eastern Europe
CPO 4641 Politics of China
INR 4084 Ethnicity in World Politics
INR 3214 International Relations of Europe
INR 3223 Japan and the United States
INR 3224 International Relations of East Asia
INR 3226 International Relations of Central Asia and the Caucasus
INR 4232 International Relations of China
INR 3243 International Relations of Latin America
INR 3246 International Relations of the Caribbean
INR 3252 International Relations of North Africa
INR 3253 International Relations of Sub-Saharan Africa
INR 3262 International Relations of Russia and the Former USSR
INR 3274 International Relations of the Middle East
INR 3331 European Foreign and Security Policy
INR 4082 Islam in International Relations
INR 4085 Women and Men in International Relations
INR 4084 Ethnicity in World Politics
INR 4726 Ethnicity and Nationalism
INR 4091 Ethical Problems in International Relations
INR 3055 Authoritarians and Democrats
CPO 4725 Comparative Genocide
CPO 4727 Comparative Foreign Policy
INR 3403 International Law
INR 3502 International Organizations
INR 4077 International Relations & Women’s Human Rights
INR 4075 International Protection of Human Rights – GL
INR 4411 International Humanitarian Law

Religious Studies
ASN 4510 Dynamics of Asia
ASN 5315  Topics in Modern Asia
REL 3148  Religion and Violence
REL 3170  Ethics in World Religion
REL 3308  Studies in World Religions – GL
REL 3310  Introduction to Asian Religions
REL 3313  Sources of Modern Asian Society
REL 3367  Islamic Faith and Society – GL
REL 3443  Liberation Theology
REL 3672  Religion and Society in Israel/Palestine
REL 4351  Religion and Japanese Culture
REL 4370  African Religions
REL 4441  Religion and the Contemporary World

Global and Sociocultural Studies
ANT 3212  World Ethnographies – GL
ANT 3451  Anthropology of Race and Ethnicity
ANT 4211/4327  Area Studies
ANT 4332  Latin America
ANT 4340  Caribbean Cultures
ANT 4343  Cuban Culture and Society
ANT 4352  African Peoples and Culture
SYD 4237  Immigration and Refugees
SYD 4630  Latin American and Caribbean Societies
SYD 4704  Seminar in Racial & Ethnic Relations
SYO 4300  Political Sociology
SYO 4530  Social Inequalities
SYP 3300  Social Movements and Collective Action
SYP 3456  Societies in the World
SYP 3520  Crime & Society
SYP 4460  Sociology of Disasters

Forensics
CHS 3501  Survey of Forensic Science
CHS 4503C  Forensic Science History