



Degree Plan

Dual Degree Master of Arts in National Security Studies (MA) Master of Science in Cybersecurity (MS) 54 hours

Student: _____
 Student ID: _____
 Email: _____
 Beginning Term: _____
 Goal to Graduate by: _____
 Academic Advisor: _____

Required core courses (33 cr):

Course	Hrs	Term	Yr	Pre-requisite
CSSS 5000 Introduction to Cybersecurity	3cr	--		
CSSS 5110 Cybersecurity Communications	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 5120 Cybersecurity Infrastructures*	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 5130 Cybersecurity Intelligence/Counter-intelligence*	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 5140 Cybersecurity Strategic Operations	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 5160 Encryption methods and Techniques*	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 6000 Practical research in Cybersecurity	3cr	--		All core
NTSC 5000 Introduction to National Security Studies	3cr	--		
NTSC 5100 Research Methods in National Security Studies	3cr	--		
INTL 5590 International Security**	3cr	--		
NTSC 6000 Capstone in National Security Studies OR NTSC 6250/6900 Thesis in National Security Studies (6 cr)	3cr	--		NTSC 5000, NTSC 5100, and 30 credit hours

Required International and Regional Security Electives (select 12 hours)

INTL 5535 International Disaster Law	3cr	--		
INTL 5550 War and Diplomacy	3cr	--		
INTL 5890 Terrorism in World Politics	3cr	--		
INTL 5560 US Foreign Policy or INTL 5570 Comparative Foreign Policy	3cr	--		
INTL 5585 Food and Water Security	3cr	--		
INTL 5595 Energy Security	3cr	--		
INTL 5600 Area Studies	3cr	--		
INTL 5625 Middle East Area Studies	3cr	--		
INTL 5635 Western European Areas Studies	3cr	--		
INTL 5645 Asian Area Studies	3cr	--		



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INTL 5655 African Area Studies	3cr	--		
INTL 5665 South & Central Asia Areas Studies	3cr	--		
INTL 5675 Central & Eastern Europe Area Studies	3cr	--		
INTL 5685 Latin America Area Studies	3cr	--		

***Students completing this course and three electives from the track are eligible to earn a graduate certificate in international and regional security. No more than two area studies courses (INTL 56XX) can count towards the certificate. To gain the certificate, students must pay an additional graduation fee.*

Required Cybersecurity Electives (select 9 hours)

CSSS 5210 Cybersecurity Law and Policy*	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 5220 Cybersecurity Threat Detection*	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 5230 Cybersecurity Forensics*	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 5240 Pre-emptive Deterrence	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 5250 Use and Protection of Space Assets	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 5270 Cybersecurity in Cloud Computing	3cr	--		CSSS 5000 & CSSS 5110
CSSS 5280 Social Engineering	3cr	--		
CSSS 5990 Advanced Topics in Cybersecurity	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 6500 Cybersecurity Internship	3cr	--		CSSS 5000, 5110, 5120, 5130, 5140, 5160

**Students completing these six courses will be eligible to earn a graduate certificate in cybersecurity - threat detection. To gain the certificate, students must pay an additional graduation fee.*

Pathways

Actual schedules may vary based on start date and course availability

Full-Time Suggested Pathway

YEAR 1

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5
CSSS 5000	CSSS 5110	CSSS 5120	CSSS 5140	INTL 5590
NTSC 5000	NTSC 5100	CSSS 5130	CSSS 5160	Cybersecurity Elective Course

YEAR 2

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Cybersecurity Elective Course	Cybersecurity Elective Course	International & Regional Security Track Course	CSSS 6000
International & Regional Security Track Course	International & Regional Security Track Course	International & Regional Security Track Course	NTSC 6000/NTSC 6250 (& INTL 6900)



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Part-Time Suggested Pathway

YEAR 1

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5
CSSS 5000	CSSS 5100	CSSS 5120	CSSS 5130	CSSS 5140

YEAR 2

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5
CSSS 5160	Cybersecurity Elective Course	Cybersecurity Elective Course	Cybersecurity Elective Course	NTSC 5000

YEAR 3

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5
NTSC 5100	INTL 5590	International & Regional Security Track Course	International & Regional Security Track Course	International & Regional Security Track Course

YEAR 4

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
International & Regional Security Track Course	CSSS 6000	NTSC 6000/NTSC 6250 (& INTL 6900)