Master of Arts (MA)
National Security Studies (NTSC)
36 hours

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

Core courses (12 hours)

Course	Hrs	Term	Yr	Pre-requisite
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	3cr	--		NTSC 5000, NTSC 5100, and 30 credit hours

Electives (at least 18 hours from the lists below)
4 courses (12 hours) from one of the available program tracks
2 course (6 hours) electives from other program tracks
International and Regional Security Track

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	--		
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 a second graduation fee.

Cybersecurity Track

CSSS 5000 Introduction to Cybersecurity	3cr	--		
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 5210 Cybersecurity Law & Policy**	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 5220 Cybersecurity Threat Detection**	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 5240 Pre-emptive Deterrence	3cr	--		CSSS 5000
CSSS 5250 Use and Protection of Space Assets	3cr	--		CSSS 5000

**Students completing these five courses (with one course counting as an open elective) and CSSS 5230 (also counting as an open elective) will be eligible to earn a graduate certificate in cybersecurity - threat detection. To gain the certificate, students must pay a second graduation fee.

Criminal Justice Track

CRIM 5050 Organization and Administration of Justice	3cr	--		
CRIM 5060 Policing and Law Enforcement	3cr	--		
CRIM 5070 Institutional and Community Corrections	3cr	--		
LEGL 5450 American Constitutional Law	3cr	--		

Students completing these 4 courses will be eligible to earn a graduate certificate in administration of justice. To gain the certificate, students must pay a second graduation fee.

General electives—six hours

	3cr	--		
	3cr	--		

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
NTSC 5000	NTSC 5100	Program Track Course	Program Track Course	Program Track Elective
INTL 5590	Program Track Course	Program Track Course	Program Track Elective	Elective

YEAR 2

Term 1
NTSC 6000
Elective

Part-Time Suggested Pathway

YEAR 1

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5
NTSC 5000	NTSC 5100	INTL 5590	Program Track Course	Program Track Course

YEAR 2

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5
Program Track Course	Program Track Course	Program Track Elective	Program Track Elective	Elective

YEAR 3

Term 1	Term 2
Elective	NTSC 6000