

## CERTIFICATE OF ADVANCED STUDY IN SECURITY STUDIES

Students who have earned a Certificate of Advanced Study (CAS) in Security Studies are well-prepared for careers in the field of national and international security and counterterrorism.

12 credits in security-related coursework give students a solid understanding of:

- US national security law policymaking pre- and post-9/11.
- The diverse national security threats, including drugs, crime, terrorism, and ethnic conflicts.
- The nature of international security environments, regimes, and institutions.
- The US and international responses to terrorism, including law enforcement, military, intelligence, and diplomatic approaches.
- The challenges of homeland security preparedness and response.

The interdisciplinary nature of the CAS complements students' professional or doctoral degrees and enriches their specific field of study or research interest. Certificate recipients collaborate with students and faculty from a range of disciplines, including public administration, international relations, political science, law, history, and communications.

Furthermore, students benefit from the expertise of SPL faculty in military planning and operations, global counterterrorism and arms control policy, counter-proliferation policy, diplomacy and international relations, mass communication, terrorist methods and psychology, history, law, and economics. This breadth and depth gives students an opportunity to employ, and appreciate the need for, an interdisciplinary approach to the security problems we face today.

Candidates for the CAS take six credits (two courses) chosen from five required courses and six credits (two courses) chosen from a wide range of elective courses (see below).

Questions about the Program can be directed to Keli Perrin ([kaperrin@law.syr.edu](mailto:kaperrin@law.syr.edu)), by calling SPL at 315.443.2284, or by dropping by 300 Dineen Hall. Additional information about the CAS, including the application procedure, is posted on the [SPL website](#).

**Required Courses (Choose two course/6 credits):**

Central Challenges in National Security  
(PAI 730/LAW 883)

Comparative Civil-Military Relations (PSC 785)

International Security (PAI 717)

National Security & Counterterrorism Research  
Center (LAW 822)

National Security Law (LAW 700) US Defense Strategy  
(PAI 739)

US Intelligence Community: Governance & Practice  
(PAI 738)

US National Security & Foreign Policy (PAI 718/  
PSC 706)

**Elective Courses (Choose two courses/6 credits):**

Atrocity Law (LAW 899)

American Foreign Policy in Islamic World (PSC 600)

Challenges in Crisis & Disaster Management  
(PSC/PAI 700)

Civil Wars & State-Building (PAI 730)

Comparative Foreign Policy (PSC 783)

Conflict & Security in Cyberspace (PAI 715) (in Washington, DC)

Contemporary US-Mexico Relations (PAI 730)

Counterterrorism & the Law (LAW 790)

Crisis Management (PSC 759/PAI 700)

Culture & Politics of Afghanistan & Pakistan  
(ANT 600/PAI 626)

Culture in World Affairs (PAI/ANT 707)

Cybersecurity Law & Policy (LAW 832)

Information Security Policy (IST 728)

Defense Challenges for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (PAI 715)  
(in Washington, DC)

Democracy in the Middle East (PSC 690)

Drugs and Drug Trafficking in Contemporary Latin America  
(HST 600/PAI 700)

Economic Dimensions of Global Power (PAI 716)

Emerging Technologies in a Global Society  
(LAW 844)

Evolving Global Security Landscape: Robotics, Autonomous  
Systems, & AI (PAI 715) (in Washington, DC)

Food Security (PAI 730)

Fundamentals of Conflict Studies (PAI 601)

Fundamentals of Postconflict Reconstruction (PAI 719)

Genocide, Atrocity, & Political Violence (HST 600)

Geopolitics of South Asia (PAI 715) (in Washington, DC)

History of International Relations (HST 645)

Homeland Security Law & Policy (PAI 700/LAW 729)

Homeland Security: State & Local Government

Preparedness & Response (PAI 730)

Humanitarian Action: Challenges, Responses, Results (PAI 765)

International Actors & Issues (PAI 710)

International Conflict & Peace (PSC 754/PAI 700)

International Human Rights (LAW 778)

International Law & Organizations (PSC 752)

International Relations of the Middle East (PSC 600)

International Security & the Asymmetric Use of Force  
(PAI 730, PSC 700)

International Security Theory (PSC 749)

Israel & Palestine: Historical Approaches (HST 644)

Israeli-Palestinian Conflict (PSC 600)

Latin America's Crisis of Citizen Security (PAI 730)

Law, Courts, & Human Rights (PSC/PAI 700)

Law & War (PSC 700)

Law of Armed Conflict (LAW 840)

Law of Genocide (LAW 804)

Law of the Global Commons (LAW 975)

Law of the Sea (LAW 729)

Middle East Anthropology (ANT 668)

Military Law & Procedure (LAW 817)

Multilateral Peacekeeping (PAI/ANT 701) (in NYC & Syracuse)

National Security & Defense Transformation (PAI 715)  
(in Washington, DC)

Negotiation in International Conflict (PAI 715) (in Washington, DC)

Non-State Actors in World Affairs (PSC 757)

Obstacles to Democracy in the Muslim World (PAI 700)

Peace & Conflict in the Balkans (ANT 673)

Perspectives on Terrorism (LAW 790)

Political Leadership (PSC 788/PAI 700)

Politics of the Middle East (PSC 600)

Prosecuting Terrorists (LAW 779)

Refugee & Asylum Law (LAW 731)

Republic to Superpower (PSC 600)

Responding to Proliferation of WMDs (PAI 727)

Rising China & Challenges to the Global Order (PAI 715)  
(in Washington, DC)

Rule of Law in Postconflict Reconstruction (LAW 813)

Russian & Post-Soviet Politics (PSC 786)

Seminar in Resource Management (BUA 600)

Smart Grid: Privacy, Security, & Economics (LAW 868/PAI 730)

Social Theory & the Middle East (PSC 682)

Statecraft & Smart Power in the Digital Era (PAI 715)  
(in Washington, DC)

Strengthening Inter-Agency Coordination (PAI 715)  
(in Washington, DC)

Terrorism in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (PAI 700)

Theories of International Relations (PSC 651)

Track 2 Diplomacy & the Korean Peninsula (PSC 760)

Transnational Crimes, Drugs, & Terrorism (PSC 700)

UN Organizations: Managing for Change (PAI 764)

War, Media, & Propaganda (COM 600)

Who Will Rule the 21<sup>st</sup> Century? (PAI 700) (in Washington, DC)

World at War (HST 615)