

## 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).

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

*Required courses over six credits may be used as elective courses.*

- Central Challenges in National Security (PAI 683/LAW 883)
- International Security (PAI 717)
- National Security & Counterterrorism Research Center (LAW 822)

- National Security Law (LAW 700)
- US Defense Strategy (PAI 739)
- Comparative Civil-Military Relations (PSC 785)
- US Intelligence Community: Governance & Practice (PAI 738)
- US National Security & Foreign Policy (PAI 718/ PSC 706)

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

- Comparative Foreign Policy (PSC 783)
- Contemporary US-Mexico Relations (PAI 730)
- Counterterrorism & the Law (LAW 790)
- Cybersecurity Law & Policy (LAW 832)
- Comparative Civil-Military Relations (PSC 785)
- Congress and the Making of US Foreign Policy (PAI 715) (in Washington, DC)
- Disinformation and Influence in the Digital Age (PAI 700) (in Washington, DC)
- Dynamics of the 21st Century Global Economy (PAI 700)
- Economic Dimensions of Global Power (PAI 716)
- Emerging Technologies in a Global Society (LAW 844)
- Emerging Challenges: Disruptive Technologies (PAI 715) (in Washington, DC)
- Economic Statecraft (PAI 700) (in Washington, DC)
- Economic Statecraft in a Multipolar World (PAI 700)
- Evolving Global Security Landscape: Robotics, Autonomous Systems, & AI (PAI 715) (in Washington, DC)
- Follow the Money: Key Issues in Illicit Finance (PAI 685)
- Fragility to Resilience: New Approaches to Global Dev (PAI 715) (in Washington, DC)
- Fundamentals of Conflict Studies (PAI 601)
- Fundamentals of Postconflict Reconstruction (PAI 719)
- Global Supply & Sustainability (PAI 600)
- Governance & Global Civil Society (PAI 713)
- Governing in a Crisis: Pandemics, Disasters and Other Emergencies (PAI 761)
- Global Security: Robotics and AI (PAI 715) (in Washington, DC)

- History of International Relations (HST 645)
- Homeland Security Law & Policy (PAI 700/LAW 729)
- Humanitarian Action: Challenges, Responses, Results (PAI 765)
- International Actors & Issues (PAI 710)
- Human Rights, National Security, and American Values (PAI 700)
- International Human Rights (LAW 778)
- International Law (Law 728)
- International Security Theory (PSC 749)
- Issues in Public Diplomacy China's Challenge to the Global Order (PAI 715)
- Law of the Global Commons (LAW 975)
- Navigating the National Security Bureaucracy (PAI 715)
- Order and Change (PSC 700)
- Political Science and Conflict (PSC 700)
- Rebel Governance (PSC 700)
- Responding to Proliferation of WMDs (PAI 727)
- Rising Asia: Challenges & Opportunities for Foreign Policy (PAI 700)
- 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)
- Security, Economics, and Political Challenges Asia (PSC 700)
- Space Law and Policy: National Security's Next Frontier (LAW 975)
- Space, Policy and National Security (PAI 715) (in Washington, DC)
- Statecraft & Smart Power in the Digital Era (PAI 715) (in Washington, DC)
- Strategic Foresight International Relations (PAI 715)
- Transnational Crimes, Drugs, & Terrorism (PSC 700)
- Who Will Rule the 21st Century? (PAI 700) (in Washington, DC)
- UN Orgs: Structure & Function (PAI 764)

*\*If you think another law or graduate course might apply to the CAS, please write to [kaperrin@syr.edu](mailto:kaperrin@syr.edu), attaching the syllabus.*