

INTERNATIONAL SECURITY MINOR

<https://cola.unh.edu/interdisciplinary-studies/program/minor/international-security>

Description

The International Security minor will provide students with the opportunity to explore the many dimensions of international security through course work in political science, history, and other closely-related disciplines. Students will work with and learn from faculty conducting novel research on topics such as: the arms trade, ethnic conflict, drug-related violence, human security, and conflicts in regions throughout the war.

Students who successfully complete this major will be well-versed in contemporary international security issues and will learn critical thinking and analysis skills applicable to a wide range of careers. Leaders at all levels count on staff with analytical skills who can communicate effectively with policy-makers. Career paths open to our graduates include: the foreign service, intelligence agencies, international organizations, the UN, journalism, think tank research, law, risk analysis, and business.

Requirements

- [Academic policies related to Minors.](#)
- The minor consists of completing five courses (20 credits).
- Students must receive a grade of C or better for a course to count toward the minor requirements.
- No more than 8 credits may double count between majors and minors. Political science majors pursuing the Security Studies minor can only double count up to two of the three required Political Science courses below. The third required course must be taken in addition to courses taken to fulfill major requirements.

Code	Title	Credits
Required		
Select one core POLT course from the following:		4
POLT 560	World Politics	
POLT 562	Strategy and National Security Policy	
POLT 568	International Security	
Electives		
Select four courses from the following:		16
POLT 403	United States in World Affairs	
POLT 513	Civil Rights and Liberties	
POLT 545	People and Politics in Asia	
POLT 546	Wealth and Politics in Asia	
POLT 548	Drug Wars	
POLT 551	Ethnicity, Violence, Democracy	
POLT 554	Revolution and Protest in Latin America	
POLT 556	Politics in China	
POLT 559	Comparative Politics of the Middle East	
POLT 560	World Politics ¹	
POLT 562	Strategy and National Security Policy ¹	
POLT 566	International Security in Asia	
POLT 568	International Security ¹	
POLT 569	The Rise of China	
POLT 592	Selected Topics in International Politics	
POLT 595	Smart Politics	

POLT 740	States and Societies in the Middle East	
POLT 742	Beyond Bollywood: Politics of India & South Asia	
POLT 751	Comparative Environmental Politics and Policy	
POLT 760	Theories of International Relations	
POLT 762	International Political Economy	
POLT 778	International Organization	
POLT 797C	Seminar in Comparative Politics	
POLT 797E	Seminar in International Politics	
CMN 456	Propaganda and Persuasion	
CS 408	Living in a Networked World: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly	
GEOG 670	Climate and Society	
HIST 537	Espionage and History	
HIST 619	Foreign Relations of the United States	
HIST 620	Foreign Relations of the United States	
HUMA 525	Humanities and the Law	
IA 501	Global Issues in International Affairs	
JUST 405	Technology, Crime, and Society: A Forensic Exploration of High-Tech and Digital Crime	
SOC 450	Contemporary Social Problems	
SOC 693	Global Change and Social Sustainability	
Total Credits		20

¹ If not counted for core requirement.

Once students have declared the minor, they are required to meet with the coordinator or appropriate affiliated faculty adviser at least once per semester for regular review and assessment of their program, learning outcomes, and progress toward the degree.

Other courses, including transfer credits, may be approved by the coordinator to count toward the minor. If the transfer credit is accepted by the University and fits within the scope of the minor, it will be considered.