

GLOBAL SECURITY STUDIES MINOR

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Program Description

The minor in Global Security Studies (GSS) is an interdisciplinary program designed to help students explore the global, international, national, and human dimensions of security, conflict, and conflict resolution in contemporary international relations using the analytic tools provided in different social science disciplines. The minor is administered by the International Relations Program and is open to all Syracuse University undergraduate students in good academic standing.

International relations majors whose topic concentration is international security and diplomacy (ISD) are not eligible to take the Global Security Studies minor. In addition, for students majoring in International Relations who wish to undertake the Global Security Studies minor, a maximum of three (3) lower division (below 300 level) credits may be shared between the major and the minor.

Minor Requirements

In order to declare the minor, a student must receive a B grade or better in one of the two required lower division courses. The Global Security minor consists of six (6) courses, eighteen (18) credits. Minors must complete

Two (2) required introductory-level courses (6 credits)

1. either PSC 124 International Relations (or PSC 139 International Relations (Honors)) or HST 122 Global History 1750 to Present to contextualize state security issues, and
2. either ANT 185 Global Encounters: Comparing World Views & Values Cross-Culturally or GEO 171 Human Geographies to highlight human and environmental security issues, plus

An additional 12 credits in courses numbered 300 or above in one of the following 2 tracks:

- Traditional state security and human and environmental security tracks:
 - (2) courses from List A (6 credits) and
 - (2) courses from List B (6 credits)

OR

- Intelligence and Analysis Track
 - (4) courses from List C (12 credits)

List A: Traditional Issues of State Security

Code	Title	Credits
ANT 473	Peace and Conflict in the Balkans: Anthropological Perspectives	3
GEO 372	Political Geography	3
HST 336	America and the Middle East	3

HST 337	America in the World: The History of U.S. Foreign Relations, 1898-Present	3
HST 350	The Global Cold War	3
HST 392	The Korean War	3
IRP 338	U.S. Intelligence Community: Governance & Practice, 1947-Present	3
PSC 322	International Security	3
PSC 342	Religion and Politics in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict	3
PSC 348	Politics and the Military	3
PSC 356	Political Conflict	3
PSC 357	U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PSC 391	Revolutions in the Middle East	3
PSC 397	Realism and Power Politics in International Relations	3

List B: Human and Environmental Security

Code	Title	Credits
ANT 358	Peace, War and Security	3
ANT 476	Women, War and Peace	3
ANT 463	Global Health	3
GEO 374	Environment and Development in the Global South	3
GEO 422	Water: Environment, Society and Politics	3
HST 317	The Arab Revolutions	3
HST 381	Genocide, Atrocity, and Political Violence in the Modern World	3
PSC 310	Refugees in International Politics	3
PSC 386	Gender, Militarism, and War	3
PSC 387	Ethnic Conflict	3
PSC 469	Global Migration	3
SOC 354	Gender, Militarism, and War	3

List C: Intelligence and Analysis

Code	Title	Credits
ANT 358	Peace, War and Security	3
BIO 422	Bioinformatics for Life Scientists	3
CIS 428	Introduction to Cryptography	3
CIS 467	Introduction to Artificial Intelligence	3
CSE 484	Introduction to Computer and Network Security	3
CSE 488	Introduction to Internet Security	3
EAR 305	The Energy Transition: Earth and Environmental Sciences	3
EAR 410	Applications of GIS in the Earth Sciences	3
FSC 332	Intro to Forensic Anthropology	3
FSC 464	Latent Print Processing with lab	3
FSC 468	Crime Scene Investigation with lab	3
FSC 306	Advanced Forensic Science	3
FSC 440	Special Topics in Advanced Forensics	3
FSC 441	Forensic Analysis of Biological Evidence with lab	3
FSC 461	Firearms and Impression Evidence	3
FSC 463	Bloodstain Pattern Analysis with lab	3
FSC 465	Latent Prints with practicum	3
FSC 473	Mechanics of Modern Firearms with lab	3
FSC 474	Forensic DNA Analysis with practicum	3

FST 307	Feeding the World: Global Agri-Food Governance	3
HST 337	America in the World: The History of U.S. Foreign Relations, 1898-Present	3
IRP 401	Global Policy Seminar	3
IRP 402	Global Policy Seminar II	3
PAI 338	U.S. Intelligence Community: Governance & Practice, 1947-Present	3
IST 305	Globalization, Collaboration, Culture, Systems & Data	3
IST 323	Introduction to Information Security	3
IST 336	Leading Issues in Information Security	3
IST 342	Information Security Policy	3
IST 343	Data in Society	3
IST 402	Digital Forensics	3
IST 477	Capstone in Innovation, Society & Technology (IST)	3
MAT 422	Statistical Computing	3
MAT 495	Fundamentals of Data Science	3
PHY 306	Nuclear Physics in our Lives	3
PHY 307	Science and Computers I	3
PHY 314	Quantum Computing Demystified	3
PHY 361	Statistical Physics and Quantum Phenomena	3
PHY 408	Computational Physics	3
PSC 322	International Security	3
PSC 357	U.S. Foreign Policy	3
PSC 395	Democratization in the Muslim World	3

From time to time, courses not appearing on these lists that may fulfill the requirement of the lists above will appear on the University schedule. For more information regarding courses offered by semester, please contact: IRMinors@syr.edu.