# National Security Studies (NSS)

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- **NSS 2010 Introduction to National Security**
  - Categorizes elements of the national security field.
  - Explores the national security system, focusing on contemporary issues.
  - Analyzes formulation and execution of national security policy through diplomacy, intelligence operations, and military force.

- **NSS 301R National Security Area Studies**
  - Examines the national security issues associated with a particular geographic area in the global community.

- **NSS 3050 US Intelligence Community**
  - Examines the US Intelligence Community (IC) and its core responsibilities and processes.
  - Assesses the IC's two-fold role to support policymakers and operations.
  - Customer-driven intelligence production cycle.

- **NSS 4210 Law of War**
  - Examines the law that governs situations of armed conflict, including the history and development of the law.

- **NSS 4250 National Security Career Strategies**
  - Emphasizes the development of effective techniques for successfully locating, applying for and securing employment as well as advancing in a National Security-related career path.

- **NSS 4400 Statecraft and Strategy**
  - Analyzes the theory, history, practice, and challenges of statecraft and strategy in U.S. national security.

- **NSS 4600 National Security Law**
  - Evaluates the distribution of national security powers amongst the three branches of government.

- **NSS 475R Current Topics in National Security**
  - Presents selected topics in National Security and will vary each semester.

- **NSS 4800 Intelligence Analysis and Tradecraft**
  - Appraises structured analytic techniques commonly embraced as sound tradecraft within the Intelligence Community (IC) and applies these techniques in the context of actual intelligence cases.

- **NSS 481R National Security Internship**
  - Provides academic credit for work for students in a paying or non-paying (volunteer) job for a national security employer or other approved related situation.

- **NSS 481R Directed Readings and Special Projects**
  - Offers independent study as directed in reading, individual projects, etc., at the discretion and approval of the department chair.

- **NSS 4990 National Security Capstone Seminar**
  - Includes readings and discussions about a variety of complex national security problems and issues.

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NSS 6500
US National Security Policy and Strategy
3:3:0
Spring
* Prerequisite(s): Acceptance into the Masters of Public Services Program or department approval
Examines how the United States formulates national security policy and strategy. Analyzes conceptual foundations, organizational structures and functions, decision-making processes, and priority issues in US national security. Assesses the role and authorities of the President and Executive Branch, congressional oversight, national security policy development and implementation, the implementation and limits of national power, the role of intelligence, the relevant legal frameworks, and specific national security challenges.

NSS 6700
Intelligence Analysis and Tradecraft
3:3:0
Fall
* Prerequisite(s): Acceptance into the Masters of Public Services Program.
Appraises structured analytic techniques commonly embraced as sound tradecraft within the Intelligence Community (IC) and applies these techniques in the context of actual intelligence cases. Applies the structured analytic techniques of decomposition and visualization, idea generation, scenarios and indicators, hypothesis generation and testing, assessment of cause and effect, challenge analysis, and decision support. Evaluates IC analytic standards and discuss ethical considerations.