

## National Security Studies, B.S.

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### Requirements

The BA/BS in National Security Studies (NSS) will provide an interdisciplinary program that prepares students for public and private sector national security careers through acquisition of subject matter expertise and analytical skills. This baccalaureate degree program will expose students to the wide variety of critically important security challenges and issues faced in the twenty-first century such as: terrorism and cyber security, nuclear proliferation and weapons of mass destruction, piracy and global pandemics, sovereignty and the use of force, and civil liberties and the rule of law. Students will also acquire skills such as critical thinking, writing, briefing, and analysis techniques specifically tailored for the national security field, but applicable in many others. Whether students are interested in counterterrorism, homeland security, intelligence gathering and analysis, foreign relations, law and politics, diplomacy, or international development, the NSS BA/BS will provide insight and skills needed to succeed in these professions.

### Total Program Credits: 120

General Education Requirements:		35 Credits
	<a href="#">ENGL 1010</a> Introduction to Academic Writing CC	3
or	<a href="#">ENGL 1005</a> Literacies and Composition Across Contexts CC (5)	
	<a href="#">ENGL 2010</a> Intermediate Academic Writing CC	3
Complete one of the following:		3
	<a href="#">MAT 1030</a> Quantitative Reasoning QL (3)	
	<a href="#">MAT 1035</a> Quantitative Reasoning with Integrated Algebra QL (6)	
	<a href="#">STAT 1040</a> Introduction to Statistics QL (3)	
	<a href="#">STAT 1045</a> Introduction to Statistics with Algebra QL (5)	
	<a href="#">MATH 1090</a> College Algebra for Business QL (3)	
	<a href="#">MATH 1050</a> College Algebra QL (4) (recommended for Business, Education, Science, and Health Professions majors)	
	<a href="#">MATH 1055</a> College Algebra with Preliminaries QL (5)	
Complete one of the following:		3
	<a href="#">HIST 1700</a> American Civilization AS (3)	
or	<a href="#">HIST 2700</a> US History to 1877 AS (3)	
and	<a href="#">HIST 2710</a> US History since 1877 AS (3)	
Complete the following:		
	<a href="#">PHIL 2050</a> Ethics and Values IH	3
	<a href="#">HLTH 1100</a> Personal Health and Wellness TE (2.0)	
or	<a href="#">EXSC 1097</a> Fitness for Life TE	2
Distribution Courses:		
	Biology	3
	Physical Science	3
	Additional Biology or Physical Science	3
	Humanities	3
	Fine Arts	3

	Social/Behavioral Science	3
Discipline Core Requirements:		42 Credits
	<a href="#">POLS 1100</a> American National Government AS	3
	<a href="#">NSS 2010</a> Introduction to National Security WE	3
	<a href="#">POLS 2100</a> Introduction to International Relations SS	3
	<a href="#">NSS 3050</a> US Intelligence Community	3
	<a href="#">NSS 301R</a> National Security Area Studies	3
	<a href="#">NSS 4210</a> Law of War WE	3
	<a href="#">NSS 4250</a> National Security Career Strategies	3
	<a href="#">NSS 4300</a> Intelligence Cycle and Collections	3
	<a href="#">NSS 4400</a> Statecraft and Strategy	3
	<a href="#">NSS 4600</a> National Security Law	3
	<a href="#">NSS 475R</a> Current Topics in National Security	3
	<a href="#">POLS 3680</a> International Political Economy	3
	<a href="#">POLS 4500</a> International Conflict and Security	3
	<a href="#">NSS 4990</a> National Security Capstone Seminar	3
Elective Requirements:		43 Credits
Complete 28 credits from the following:		28
	<a href="#">NSS 3350</a> The Cold War--Culture and Politics (3)	
	<a href="#">NSS 4800</a> Intelligence Analysis and Tradecraft (3)	
	<a href="#">NSS 481R</a> National Security Internship (1-9)	
	<a href="#">NSS 491R</a> Directed Readings and Special Projects in National Security (1-3)	
	<a href="#">CNST 4795</a> Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (3)	
	<a href="#">CJ 3340</a> Terrorism and the Criminal Justice System (3)	
	<a href="#">CJ 4160</a> Constitutional Criminal Rights (3)	
	<a href="#">HIST 3440</a> The History of World War I (3)	
	<a href="#">HIST 345G</a> The History of World War II GI (3)	
	<a href="#">HIST 4140</a> Genocide in the Twentieth Century (3)	
	<a href="#">HIST 430G</a> Violence and Social Conflict in Latin America GI (3)	
	<a href="#">ESMG 310G</a> Introduction to Homeland Security GI (3)	
	<a href="#">IT 2700</a> Information Security Fundamentals (3)	
	<a href="#">MILS 259R</a> Current Topics in Military Science (3)	
	<a href="#">MILS 4200</a> The Profession of Arms I (3)	
	<a href="#">MILS 4210</a> The Profession of Arms II (3)	
	<a href="#">PJST 3020</a> The Ethics of War and Peace (3)	
	<a href="#">PJST 3100</a> Introduction to Human Security (3)	
	<a href="#">PJST 3400</a> Conflict Transformation Resolution and Sustainable Peace (3)	
	<a href="#">POLS 3100</a> Survey of International Terrorism (3)	
	<a href="#">POLS 3150</a> US Presidency (3)	
	<a href="#">POLS 3210</a> World Diplomacy (3)	
	<a href="#">POLS 3400</a> American Foreign Policy (3)	
	<a href="#">POLS 3500</a> International Relations of the Middle East (3)	

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	POLS 3600	International Relations of East Asia WE (3)	
	POLS 3610	International Organization WE (3)	
	POLS 4610	International Law (3)	
	Any other course approved by the NSS Director or Academic Advisor		
All other non-discipline electives			15

### **Graduation Requirements:**

1. Completion of a minimum of 120 or more semester credits, 40 credits must be upper-division.
2. Overall grade point average of 2.0 (C) or above.
3. All discipline and core requirements must be passed with a C- or higher.
4. Residency hours: minimum of 30 credit hours through course attendance at UVU, with at least 10 hours earned in the last 45 hours.
5. Completion of GE and specified departmental requirements.
6. Successful completion of at least one Global/Intercultural course.

**National Security Studies, B.S.****Graduation Plan**

This graduation plan is a sample plan and is intended to be a guide. Your specific plan may differ based on your Math and English placement and/or transfer credits applied. You are encouraged to meet with an advisor and set up an individualized graduation plan in [Wolverine Track](#).

Semester 1	Course Title	Credit Hours
ENGL 1010 or ENGH 1005	Introduction to Academic Writing CC or Literacies and Composition Across Contexts CC	3
HIST 1700	American Civilization AS	3
Biology Requirement		3
HLTH 1100 or EXSC 1097	Personal Health & Wellness TE or Fitness for Life TE	2
General Elective		3
Semester Total		14
Semester 2	Course Title	Credit Hours
ENGL 2010	Intermediate Academic Writing CC	3
MAT 1030 or 1035 or STAT 1040 or 1045 MATH 1050 or 1055	Quantitative Reasoning QL or Quantitative Reasoning with Integrated Algebra QL or Introduction to Statistics QL or Introduction to Statistics with Algebra QL or College Algebra QL or College Algebra with Preliminaries QL	3
Social/Behavioral Science Requirement		3
POLS 1100	American National Government AS	3
General Elective		3
Semester Total		15
Semester 3	Course Title	Credit Hours
Physical Science Requirement		3
PHIL 2050	Ethics and Values IH	3
Fine Arts Requirement		3
Humanities Requirement		3
NSS 2010	Introduction to National Security WE	3
Semester Total		15
Semester 4	Course Title	Credit Hours
Biology or Physical Science Requirement		3
POLS 2100	Introduction to International Relations SS	3
NSS Elective		2
General Elective		4
General Elective		3
Semester Total		15
Semester 5	Course Title	Credit Hours
POLS 3050	US Intelligence Community	3
NSS 301R	National Security Area Studies	3
NSS 4210	Law of War WE	3

NSS Elective		3
NSS Elective		3
Semester Total		15
Semester 6	Course Title	Credit Hours
NSS 4250	National Security Career Strategies	3
NSS 4300	Intelligence Cycle and Collections	3
NSS 4400	Statecraft and Strategy	3
POLS 3680	International Political Economy	3
NSS Elective		3
Semester Total		15
Semester 7	Course Title	Credit Hours
POLS 4500	International Conflict and Security	3
NSS 4600	National Security Law	3
NSS 475R	Current Topics in National Security	3
NSS Elective		3
NSS Elective		3
Semester Total		15
Semester 8	Course Title	Credit Hours
NSS 4990	National Security Capstone Seminar	3
NSS Elective		3
NSS Elective		3
NSS Elective		3
NSS Elective		1
General Elective		3
Semester Total		16
Degree Total		120