

# NATIONAL SECURITY STUDIES (NSST)

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## **NSST 175 Introduction to National Security**

**Description:** Topics ranging from terrorism and international organized crime to environmental degradation and post-conflict reconstruction. Introduces each topic through both a theoretical and empirical lens, helping understand what is happening in the world and why.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Grading Option:** Graded with Option

## **NSST 360 Weapons of Mass Destruction**

**Description:** Examination of the scientific and technological details of chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear (CBRN) weapons and potentially massive disruptive effects of cyber-attack and electromagnetic events. Topics include: history and proliferation of weapons, political will and 'red lines', applicable treaties and disarmament agreements involved in deterrence and WMD counterproliferation.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Grading Option:** Graded

**Offered:** FALL/SPR

## **NSST 375 Writing and Briefing for the National Security Enterprise**

**Description:** Write clearly, concisely, and convincingly across a range of formats common in the national security enterprise. Orally present complex subjects clearly, succinctly and with authority.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Grading Option:** Graded with Option

## **NSST 376 Analysis for the National Security Establishment**

**Description:** Overview of the analytic process, along with various tools students can use to approach problems and generate and test hypotheses. Presented in three sections: Approaching Problems, Hypothesis Vetting, and Specific Tools.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Grading Option:** Graded with Option

## **NSST 475 Threats and Solutions to Global Security in the 21st Century**

**Prerequisites:** National Security Studies Minor.

**Notes:** Capstone course for all senior National Security Studies minors.

**Description:** Focus on simulations of threats to national security and challenge problems to reach solutions.

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Max credits per semester:** 3

**Max credits per degree:** 3

**Grading Option:** Graded