

### National Security Studies Major (44 credit hours)

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The national security studies major is designed to prepare students for careers in public service and the requisite lifelong learning needed for success at the highest levels of government. The interdisciplinary curriculum is intended so graduates will demonstrate an understanding of the issues and forces driving global events and statecraft, develop competence in analytical research and communication skills, learn to identify policy problems, and articulate informed responses to challenges one might confront in public service. From a Christian faith perspective, students will express an understanding of and appreciate for the ethical constraints on state and individual behavior.

#### **Major Requirements:**

- Foundational Courses (16 credit hours) from:
  - POSC 2030, Introduction to National Security Studies, 3 credit hours
  - POSC 2100, American National Government, 3 credit hours
  - POSC 2200, Public Policy, 3 credit hours
  - POSC 2400, Political Science Research Methods, 3 credit hours
  - MATH 2120, Introductory Statistics with Applications, 4 credit hours
- National Security Policy Courses (9 credit hours) from:
  - POSC 3300, International Security, 3 credit hours
  - POSC 3310, Political Violence and Terrorism, 3 credit hours
  - POSC/CRIM 3350, Homeland Security, 3 credit hours
  - POSC 3370, Intelligence and Security Studies, 3 credit hours
- Ethics course (3 hours):
  - PHIL/RLGN 3250, Ethics and Morality for Professionals, 3 credit hours
- Electives chosen from (15 credit hours) from:
  - CRIM/SOCI 2510, The Nature of Crime and Social Deviance, 4 credit hours
  - CRIM 2520, Introduction to Criminal Justice, 3 credit hours
  - CRIM 3050, Drugs and American Society, 3 credit hours
  - HIST 3220, The Age of World Wars, 1900-1950, 3 credit hours
  - HIST 3240, History of Russia and the Soviet Union, 3 credit hours
  - HIST 3250, History of the Cold War, 3 credit hours
  - HIST 3300, Middle East, 3 credit hours
  - HIST 3360, History of Modern Asia, 3 credit hours
  - HIST 3370, General History of Latin America, 3 credit hours
  - HIST 3510, Law, the Constitution and War in American History, 1787 to the Present, 3 credit hours
  - HIST 3520, History of the Vietnam War, 3 credit hours
  - POSC 3212, The Presidency, 3 credit hours
  - POSC 3250, Constitutional Laws, 3 credit hours
  - POSC 3300, International Security, 3 credit hours
  - POSC 3310, Political Violence and Terrorism, 3 credit hours
  - POSC 3330, American Foreign Policy, 3 credit hours
  - POSC/CRIM 3350, Homeland Security, 3 credit hours
  - POSC 3370, Intelligence and Security Studies, 3 credit hours
  - PSYC/SOCI 3010, Social Psychology, 4 credit hours
- Senior Capstone (1 hour):
  - POSC 4930, Senior Seminar, 1 credit hour

Questions? Contact the [Department of History and Political Science](#).



Academic Advising

**NOTE:** All students must complete 120 total credit hours to graduate from Anderson University.

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Proposed Course Sequence:

- Freshman: POSC 2030; POSC 2100
- Sophomore: POSC 2400; MATH 2120, POSC 2200
- Junior: National Security Policy Course, National Security Elective, PHIL/RLGN 3250;  
National Security Policy Course, National Security Elective
- Senior: National Security Elective, National Security Elective;  
National Security Policy Course, National Security Elective, POSC 4930

National Security Studies Major Suggested Course Sequence

<b>SEMESTER 1</b>	<b>14 Hours</b>	<b>SEMESTER 2</b>	<b>16 Hours</b>
POSC 2030	3 Hours	POSC 2100	3 Hours
ENGL 1100/ENGL 1110	4-3 Hours	ENGL 1120	3 Hours
LART 1050	1 Hour	Quantitative Reasoning (CPSC 1100 recommended)	3 Hours
COMM 1000	3 Hours	Scientific Ways of Knowing (PHYS 1020 recommended)	4 Hours
Foreign Language	4 Hours	Elective	3 Hours

<b>SEMESTER 3</b>	<b>15 Hours</b>	<b>SEMESTER 4</b>	<b>15 Hours</b>
POSC 2400	3 Hours	MATH 2120	4 Hours
BIBL 2000	3 Hours	POSC 2200	3 Hours
Social & Behavioral Ways of Knowing (ECON 2010 recommended)	3 Hours	Aesthetic Ways of Knowing (COMM 2550 recommended)	3 Hours
Civil Discourse & Critical Reasoning	2-4 Hours	Personal Wellness	2 Hours
Elective	3 Hours	Elective	3 Hours

<b>SEMESTER 5</b>	<b>15 Hours</b>	<b>SEMESTER 6</b>	<b>15 Hours</b>
National Security Policy Course	3 hours	National Security Policy Course	3 hours
National Security Elective	3 hours	National Security Elective	3 hours
PHIL/RLGN 3250	3 hours	Global & Intercult'l Ways of Knowing	3 Hours
Elective	3 Hours	Elective	3 Hours
Elective	3 Hours	Elective	3 Hours

<b>SEMESTER 7</b>	<b>15 Hours</b>	<b>SEMESTER 8</b>	<b>16 Hours</b>
National Security Elective	3 hours	National Security Policy Course	3 hours
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Elective	3 Hours	POSC 4930	1 hour
Elective	3 Hours	Additional Class	3 Hours
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