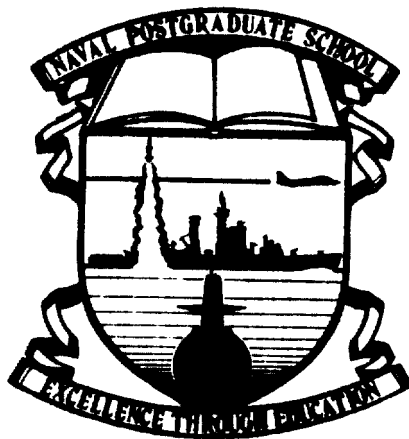


NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS PROGRAMS



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Objective:

These programs and related curricula are designed to provide graduate education to DOD officers and civilians in the field of security affairs with particular emphasis on the following areas: politico-military affairs, strategic and operational planning, attache' affairs, foreign intelligence and area analysis. The curricula may be divided into area specialties (681, 682, and 683 - in cooperation with the Defense Language Institute, also in Monterey) and functional specialties (684 and 686) conducted solely at the Postgraduate School. The degree of Master of Arts in National Security Affairs is awarded graduates who successfully complete program requirements.

Current program sponsors include: Navy-Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Plans and Policy); Air Force - Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence; and Army-Director, Military Personnel Center, Foreign Area Office (FAO) Program.

Specific educational objectives of these curricula are:

1. Geopolitics - Modern international politics is deeply rooted in geography. Students will be familiar with the geopolitical aspects of world regions in terms of their global

strategic importance. They will understand how scholars view the influence of geography, climate, economics, political culture, and demography on political thought and foreign policy.

2. Strategic Posture - Students should perceive national strengths and weaknesses which affect a nation's strategic postures and capabilities; and be able to identify and assess major military, political, economic, and sociological trends which affect policy choices in domestic and foreign affairs.

3. Military Forces - Students will understand the roles, political influence, social position, composition, structure, capabilities, and vulnerabilities of the armed forces. They will be informed of current political and military developments, regional politico-military relations, and regional defense agreements both bi- and multi-lateral.

4. Geography - Students should have a grasp of geography and its impact on national development, agriculture, spatial relationships, transportation systems, economic sufficiency and military posture. Area specialists should have detailed knowledge of their geographical areas and the concomitant strategic significance.

5. Economics - Students must be aware of the economic strengths and weaknesses of the major power blocs and of economic phenomena which influence ideology, military doctrine, industrial and social development. Area specialists must be familiar with the principal resources, economic influence, industrial capacity and major industries of their world region.

6. Politics - Students should have a knowledge of the

major political systems , political culture and governmental organizations; be aware of current political doctrine and issues, and know the strength, appeal, and influence of Communism and other ideologies. Area specialists should have a detailed knowledge of their area and be aware of the current relationships, attitudes and perspectives toward both the United States and the Soviet Union prevalent in it.

7. Culture and Religion - The student should be cognizant of the influence of class structure, ethnic cultural and religious values, and ideology on domestic and foreign affairs. They should understand the origins of and current cultural and religious differences and conflicts and how these factors affect regional and national unity.

8. Current Issues - Students must be familiar with the major security issues in the world. These include, but are not limited to, political, economic and military conflicts, insurgencies, social problems and efforts at social reform, economic problems and other issues which affect both the status or well-being of nations. These issues should be related to the formulation and implementation of U.S. foreign and security policies.

9. Analytical and Research Skills - Scholarly skills emphasized throughout the programs include: effective oral and written expression, research techniques, interpretation and evaluation of complex data, problem solving, forecasting, decision processes, modes of negotiation and debate, the formulation of strategy and politico-military objectives.

Qualification for Admission:

These programs are open to officers and civilian Government employees who have a baccalaureate degree earned with above average academic performance. Applicants may fulfill requirements for specific curricula through undergraduate courses that meet program prerequisites, Graduate Record Examination results, or other evidence. Applicants must be approved by the Chairman, Department of National Security Affairs.

Degree Requirements:

1. At least 44 quarter units of approved graduate study pertinent to the field of National Security Affairs, of which at least 16 units must be at the 4000 level.
2. The completion of an approved sequence of courses concentrating in either an area (681, 682, 683) or functional (684, 686) specialty, including at least one 4000 level course in that specialty.
3. Successful completion of a comprehensive examination, or an acceptable thesis in lieu thereof.
4. Language requirement may be satisfied by one of the following options:
 - a. Completion of a DLI basic language course, or
 - b. Certification of an R2/S2 rating based on the Defense Language Proficiency Test (DPLT), or
 - c. Completion of a language examination jointly developed and conducted by NPS and DLI.

The Common Core:

The courses below form a common core for the National Security Affairs Curricula (all area and functional specialties).

QUARTER

I	II	III	IV
NS 3262 Theory & Practice of International Relations	NS3061 American National Security Policy	NS4140 Problems of Security Assistance & Arms Transfers	NS4000 Perspectives On American Civilization
NS 3169 Comparative Political Analysis & Research Methods	NS3078 The Politics of National & Global Economic Relations		or NS4273 American Foreign Policy & World Politics

NS 3061 AMERICAN NATIONAL SECURITY POLICY (4-0)

Course Description:

An institutional and functional analysis of the national and international factors which shape U.S. defense policy. The course is focused on two major areas: The decision-making process, including the legislative-executive budgetary process, and the influence of bureaucratic politics and interest group participation upon defense decisions; Problems of strategic choice, including threat analysis, net assessment, deterrence theory, and limited war.

Course Objectives:

1. To define the strategic context of American National Security Policy.
2. To examine the formal and informal decision-making processes in the U.S. defense effort, and their impact on national security.
3. To analyze U.S. and Soviet strategic doctrine.
4. To compare elements of national power, especially military power, of the major superpowers.

NS 3078 THE POLITICS OF NATIONAL AND GLOBAL
ECONOMIC RELATIONS (4-0)

Course Description:

An integrated analysis in three segments of the economic and political factors that together determine national and international economic arrangements. [The first segment is comprised of] The general principles of public finance as a prerequisite for the analysis of budgets, and policy priorities in specific countries and areas. The second deals with the basic differences between socialist, capitalist and market economic systems. The remainder is concerned with the changing world economic order, to include such topics as trade, aid, multi-national corporations, technology and strategic resources.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce the basic principles of public finance and budgeting, which will serve as one of the foundations for study of regional economics.
2. To present the basic principles of socialist, capitalist, and mixed economic systems.
3. To provide an appreciation of the following elements of the global politico-economic system:
 - a. World trade
 - b. The international monetary system
 - c. The multi-national corporation
 - d. Aid relations between rich and poor states
 - e. Strategies for lesser developed countries
4. To provide the student with substantive knowledge of the location and flow of strategic resources.

NS 3169 COMPARATIVE POLITICAL ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH METHODS (4-0)

Course Description:

An analytical and comparative study of the form and functioning of the major types of contemporary government with emphasis on the policy-making process and research methods.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce the student to the literature and scope of comparative politics.
2. To provide a conceptual framework to understand comparative politics.
3. To acquaint the student with a number of selected theories used in analyses of political development.
4. To provide the strengths and weaknesses of various theoretical approaches to the study of political change and development.

NS 3262 THEORY AND PRACTICE OF INTERNATIONAL
POLITICS (4-0)

Course Description:

A systematic theoretical analysis of international relations and a study of the factors, organizational strategies, and techniques of international politics.

Course Objectives:

1. Analyzing international relations from three perspectives; systemic, nation-state, and individual decision-maker.
2. Evolution of the international system.
3. Elements of national power and the complexity of their measurement.
4. Concepts of alliance, integration, conflict, arms competition and arms control as they apply to inter-state behavior.
5. Such psychological approaches as the operational code, frustration/aggression and relative deprivation.
6. The new forces operating in the international system, such as transnationalism, technology, resource cartels, nuclear proliferation and the changing economic order.

NS 4000 PERSPECTIVES ON AMERICAN CIVILIZATION (4-0)

Course Description:

This course, especially designed for the foreign area studies (attache') program, is an interdisciplinary study of American culture, involving the political, economic, social, philosophical and literary development of the Nation since 1789.

Course Objectives:

1. To provide perspectives on American civilization and the development of the American consensus.
2. To present the development of the American political character created by American political and economic history.
3. To develop an awareness of the distinctive character of American civilization and foreign perspectives on it.
4. To understand pragmatism and the formation of the modern American mind, social structure, politics of reform, and modern intellectual currents.
5. To provide substantive knowledge of the development of the Nation during the past two centuries.

NS 4140 PROBLEMS OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE
AND ARMS TRANSFERS (4-0)

Course Description:

An analysis of the patterns, purposes and effects of cross-national security assistance, including arms sales and the transfer of technology. Special topics include: factors dominating the arms transfer policies of the major powers; the role of the military in recipient nations; the role of the military attache'; the design, execution and evaluation of security assistance programs. Prerequisites: NS 3061 or NS 3262.

Course Objectives:

An appreciation and knowledge of:

1. The various roles of conventional arms transfers in the international system, with emphasis on events since World War II.
2. The factors involved in the arms transfer policies of the U.S., U. K., France, U.S.S.R., PRC, and other selected suppliers.
3. The role of arms transfers in the foreign policy of selected nation-states.
4. The effects of arms transfers on regional conflict economic development and the internal politics of selected countries.
5. The U.S. arms transfers decision-making process, to include appropriate regulations and guidelines.

NS 4273 AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY AND WORLD POLITICS (4-0)

Course Description:

An advanced study of the underlying assumptions and objectives of American security and foreign policy. Policy formulation, world politics, alliance and treaty systems; effects on security problems of budgets, weapons systems, research and development, international economic issues; the functioning of regional security systems in crises; problems of threat and intelligence determination. Research in primary sources. This course is designed to develop a capacity for problem analysis and encourage opportunities for research specialization. Prerequisites: NS 3400, NS 3610.

Course Objectives:

1. To relate the foreign and defense policies of the United States to defense strategies and weapons systems.
2. To develop linkage, models, and concepts that assist analysis of the effects of internal institutional development on foreign policy.
3. To analyze contemporary development in the global political system in terms of changes in the American political system.

NOTE: This course is required for all Navy students.

FUNCTIONAL SPECIALTY CURRICULA

- (684) INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND NEGOTIATIONS
- (686) STRATEGIC PLANNING

Description:

These are 18 month programs, which require completion of a thesis research project, and emphasize the functional aspects of security affairs. Some courses provide methodological approaches to models, analysis and assessment of relations between nations in the international environment, including net assessment. Others focus on major issues in the security affairs spectrum: Nuclear proliferation, arms transfer, revolution, terrorism, international economics, strategic resource competition, impact of science and technology on the security policy process, etc. Functionally oriented courses deal also with means the organizational and institutional channels through which security affairs interaction takes place on national and international levels. Both curricula contain area study courses, as well. Unlike the area specialty curricula, however, these encompass the world rather than focusing on specific regions.

Typical programs are outlined below. Student programs are tailored to individual needs, with program mix between functional and area oriented courses depending upon functional specialty and sponsor requirements. Quarter of entry can also affect specific course mix and sequence. Descriptions and objectives for both the functional and area oriented courses follow the sample programs.

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QUARTER

I	II	III	IV
NS3169 Comparative Political Analysis and Research Methods	NS3061 American National Security Affairs	NS3400 Domestic Determinants of Soviet National Security Policy	NS3420 Soviet Naval and Maritime Strategy
NS3262 Theory and Practice of International Relations	NS3078 Politics of National and Global Economic Relations	NS3610 Problems of Government and Security in East Asia and the Pacific	NS3620 Problems of Government and Security in South Asia and the Indian Ocean
NS3275 International Law	NS3276 The Laws of War	NS3312 Seminar on Middle East Oil	NS3320 International Relations and Security Problems in the Middle East
NS3900 International Organizations	NS3901 Ocean Policy	NS3902 Science Technology and Public Policy	NS3280 Nuclear Weapons and Foreign Policy

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NS4140 Problems of Security Assistance and Arms Transfers	NS4273 American Foreign Policy and World Politics
NS4161 American National Security Policy and Net Assessment	NS4701 Seminar in Political and Security Problems of Europe
NS4900 Seminar in Ocean Policy	NS4630 International Security Problems of Asia and Adjacent Oceans
NS0810 Thesis Research	NS0810 Thesis Research

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 QUARTER

I	II	III	IV
NS3169 Comparative Political Analysis and Research Methods	NS3061 American National Security	MN3124 Analysis of Bureaucracy	NS3520 Problems of Diplomacy and Security in Latin America and the Caribbean
NS3262 Theory and Practice of International Relations	NS3078 Politics of National and Global Economic Relations	NS3610 Problems of Government and Security in East Asia and the Pacific	NS3620 Problems of Government and Security in South Asia and the Indian Ocean
NS3032 Revolution and Political Terrorism in the Modern World	NS3410 Soviet National Security and Foreign Policy Making-Process	NS3710 International Relations and Security Problems of the Mediterranean	NS3420 Soviet Naval and Maritime Strategy
NS3172 Public Policy Processes	NS3280 Nuclear Weapons	NS3902 Science, Technology, and Public Policy	NS3901 Ocean Policy

V	VI
NS4140 Problems of Security Assistance and Arms Transfers	NS4273 American Foreign Policy and World Politics
NS4161 American National Security Policy and net Assessment	NS4061 Survey of Strategic Thought
NS3440 Comparative Communist Political Systems	NS4077 Strategic Resource Policy
NS0810 Thesis Research	NS0810 Thesis Research

FUNCTIONAL SPECIALITY COURSES

NS 3032 REVOLUTION AND POLITICAL TERRORISM IN THE MODERN WORLD (4-0)

Course Description

The course emphasizes the general historical forces relevant to modern revolutionary movements; including nationalism, imperialism etc. It examines the evolution of discrete revolutionary movements and relies on accurate descriptions of events in order to derive patterns of revolutionary and terrorist activities.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce a historical and political-scientific calculus which can be used to analyze the development, outbreak, and course of revolution in the modern world.
2. To use the methodological tools introduced in the course to analyze several of the more important revolutions in the modern world.
3. To describe the generic importance of internal terror in revolution and its recent expansion into international terrorism.
4. To present case studies in modern revolution to illustrate the success and failure of several representative revolutionary movements.

NS 3164 COMPARATIVE IDEOLOGIES (4-0)

Course Description

Analysis of the major ideologies in contemporary world affairs and their effect upon foreign and defense policies. Special emphasis on Marxian political and social thought. Analysis and comparison of the concepts of democracy, socialism, and fascism. Use of primary source material. Prerequisite: An upper division or graduate course in the History of Western Philosophy, or Political Theory, or consent of instructor.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce the fundamentals of Marxist-Leninist ideology.
2. To compare the essentials of the American democratic ideology with contemporary radical ideologies.
3. To analyze the influence of ideology in the decision-making process of modern political systems.

NS 3172 PUBLIC POLICY PROCESSES (4-0)

Course Description:

A presentation of the processes by which resources are allocated to the production of goods in the Defense sector. Defense budget preparation, Presidential policy-making and Executive management, and Congressional budget action, are considered within the context of the theory of public goods. Prerequisites: MN 3161, MN 3105. May be given as MN 3172, or with consent of the Instructor.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce the economic, rational model of decision-making.
2. To apply this model to defense decision-making, with special emphasis on PPBS.
3. To introduce alternative models of decision-making, such as organizational process, governmental politics, and disjointed incrementalism.
4. To conduct a brief analysis of the role of Office of Management and Budget, National Security Council, and the Presidential staff in the defense policy process.
5. To study the role of Congress in defense policy, with special emphasis on the Congressional budgetary process.
6. To become familiar with the reprogramming, rescission and impoundment of defense funds.

NS 3275 INTERNATIONAL LAW (4-0)

Course Description:

An introduction to the principles of International Law including sovereignty, territory, recognition, the Law of the Sea, and the laws of war. Special emphasis is on the Law of the Sea, its development, practice, and prospects.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce the field of international law.
2. To introduce legal reasoning and source materials used in international law.
3. To introduce special topics in international law that are especially applicable to US National Security interests.

NS 3276 THE LAWS OF WAR (4-0)

Course Description:

The course presents and analyzes the laws of war as they are to be observed and enforced by the Armed Forces of the United States. Special attention is paid to the 1949 Geneva Conventions, the Navy's Law of Naval Warfare and the Army's Law of Land Warfare.

Course Objectives:

1. To provide knowledge of the applicable laws of war for the Armed Forces of the United States.
2. To understand the reasons for the laws of war.
3. To identify the means for enforcement of the laws of war.
4. To ensure understanding of the requirements to report, investigate, and remedy violations of the laws of war by both United States and enemy personnel.

NS 3280 NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND FOREIGN POLICY (4-0)

Course Description:

An interdisciplinary course which covers both the technology and political influences of nuclear weapons systems. The course emphasizes the interaction of nuclear weapons systems with the foreign policies of the major powers and political blocs since 1945. Also offered as PH 3280.

Course Objectives:

1. To develop familiarity and facility with the language of nuclear weapons technology.
2. To apply knowledge of nuclear weapons technology to both policy and security problems.
3. To discuss and understand the basic ramifications of such problems as deterrence theory and practice, proliferation technology and politics, arms race expansion and limitation, nuclear terrorism, etc.
4. To demonstrate an ability to apply the knowledge acquired through participation in a simulation of nuclear weapons and policy problems.

NS 3900 INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION (4-0)

Course Description:

Analysis of the international system, its evolution from separatism and alliances to multinational organizations and beyond. American goals, objectives, and resources are examined in bi- and multi-lateral relationships, regional groupings, functional approaches, and general organization. Collective security and peacekeeping efforts, pacific settlement, arms control and disarmament, and institution building.

Course Objectives:

1. To provide methodological proficiency that will assist analysis and understanding of bi- and multi-lateral interaction.
2. To develop case studies of international organizations and relationships, to include analysis of their successes and failures, utility and limitations as perceived by participating parties.
3. To examine the effectiveness and capabilities of selected international entities, political and economic, to deal with problems of the modern world. Discussion of the advantages and disadvantages they incur in comparison to nation state systems.

NS 3901 OCEAN POLICY (4-0)

Course Description:

Examination of policy choices for the United States and other governments concerning the political, military, legal, environmental, and economic aspects of the oceans.

Course Objectives:

1. To identify the major issues relative to use and exploitation of the sea and its resources by nation-states and other international actors.
2. To examine concepts and technical aspects in the formulation of a rational ocean policy for the United States, and the specific implications of such policy for the United States Navy and other maritime resources.
3. To develop tools and analytical techniques and procedures to assist assessment of other nations' perceptions and intentions regarding the evolution of their national ocean policies.

NS 3902 SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND PUBLIC POLICY (4-0)

Course Description:

An inquiry into the role of science and technology in the formulation and conduct of national policy. Interactions between scientific communities, government, and military services.

Course Objectives:

1. To discover the channels and forms of interaction between science and technology on the one hand, and political and military institutions on the other, in the evolution of foreign and security policies.
2. To examine the roles, influence, and impact of various actors in the military industrial complex upon the weapons research, development and procurement process.
3. To develop rational models for the appropriate influence of science and technology upon the public policy process.

NS 4061 SURVEY OF STRATEGIC STUDIES (4-0)

Course Description:

An intensive survey of the classical and contemporary literature on strategic thought; national objectives and strategic thought; national objectives and strategic alternatives; deterrence, counterforce, arms control, counter insurgency, compellence; components and rules of the international strategic system; arms competitions, nuclear proliferation, terrorism. Student projects on current strategic problems are a major component of the course. Prerequisites: NS 3061, NS 3262.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce the entire range of strategic options available to achieve national objectives.
2. To apply methodological and analytical techniques to selected strategic problems.
3. To determine the benefits and limitations of military force in pursuing national objectives.

NS 4077 STRATEGIC RESOURCES AND U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY POLICY (4-0)

Course Description:

Analysis of the problems of access to global resources and their utilization: agricultural production; access to critical raw materials; problems and politics of oil; national and international implications of various strategies of self-sufficiency and interdependency. Emphasis is placed on the security problems arising from the geographic distribution of world resources. Prerequisites: NS 3061, NS 3262.

Course Objectives:

1. To describe the basic resources available to the political states.
2. To present the totals of basic resources held by the world states and to rate the politico-military influence of the states on the basis of the most crucial modern resources. To use the rating as an integrant in U. S. foreign policy and strategic planning.
3. To present the import-export pattern for modern commodities and relate the pattern to the security of the United States in terms of oceanic control, foreign policy, and the support of import-export dependent U.S. allies.
4. To provide methodologies and techniques, i.e., specific systematic logic, to analyze strategic resources and suggest national security and foreign policy options for the United States.
5. To analyze the strategic resources posture of the United States to determine self-sufficiency and necessity for internal stockpiling.

NS 4161 AMERICAN NATIONAL SECURITY OBJECTIVES AND NET ASSESSMENT (4-0)

Course Description:

Comparative analysis of trends in U.S. and Soviet security policy, military forces, manpower, and capabilities. Special attention is devoted to familiarizing students with original source material and major elements in controversial national security issues. Topics include nuclear capabilities and doctrine, BMD and air defenses, civil defense, combined arms employment, NATO-Warsaw Pact military balance, naval forces, and trends in the U.S. and Soviet economies, especially as they affect the allocation of resources to defense.

Course Objectives:

1. To define contemporary defense objectives of the United States.
2. To discuss the utility and limitations of the models used in the policy sciences.
3. To differentiate between threat analysis and net assessment.
4. To understand the elements and operation of the defense planning cycle.
5. To integrate information concerning PPB, weapons technology, and strategic planning.
6. To provide for participation in a net assessment exercise in which students demonstrate ability to integrate information and use methodologies from the programs.

NS 4900 SEMINAR IN OCEAN POLICY

Course Description:

An advanced survey of the oceanographic, military, political and legal problems of the oceans. Among the topics to be dealt with are: comparative regional military oceanography, politics and strategy of fleet deployment, and international legal constraints on naval operations.

Course Objectives:

1. To provide an opportunity to pursue individual research in selected topics in ocean policy.
2. To summarize and assemble in a comparative framework the problems presented by the several oceans.
3. To attempt analyses of comparative data, leading to hypotheses which may be tested by research, and used to expand ocean policy horizons.

AS 3510 ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOR AND NAVAL INTELLIGENCE

Course Description:

This course is concerned with three general areas of management as they apply to Naval Intelligence. These are organizational theory from Weber to the present, public personnel administration, and public finance.

Course Objectives:

1. To define and explain the most important schools of administrative/managerial thought.
2. To understand the nature of informal organizations.
3. To provide familiarity with concepts such as organizational culture, compliance theory, and authority.
4. To understand theories of motivation.
5. To outline the general structure of the Civil Service Commission and its general philosophy.
6. To introduce the labor relations situation in the Federal Government.
7. To survey the concepts of organizational development (OD), process consultation (PC), and management by objectives (MBO).
8. To describe the rationale and substance of Joint Strategic Objective Plan 1 and 2 (JSOP), Planning Program Guidance Memorandum (PPGM), Joint Forces Memorandum (JFM), and Program Objectives Memorandum (POM).
9. To introduce military cost analysis.

AREA SPECIALITY COURSES

NS 3268 PROBLEMS OF GOVERNMENT AND SECURITY IN CONTEMPORARY EUROPE (4-0)

Course Description:

Problems of the European political system since World War II. Emphasis on the interrelation of associated European states (EEC and CMEA); the polarization of Europe between two security systems (NATO and the Warsaw Pact); and relations between the European states and the Third World.

Course Objectives:

1. To ensure familiarization with the political, military and economic issues in Europe since 1945.
2. To provide an analysis of political and security issues in specific European countries and sub-areas through student research, and discussion of student papers.
3. To understand the policy relationships of the European states with one another and with the U.S.S.R. and the United States.

NS 3312 SEMINAR ON MIDDLE EAST OIL (4-0)

Course Description:

An examination of the oil resources of the Middle East and their impact upon the internal, regional, and international policies of region-states. The role of international oil companies, consuming states, and organizations of exporting countries is studied. Differences in oil resources and revenues are examined and related to different developmental and international policies. The past and future use of oil as a political weapon is discussed and evaluated. The use of revenues from oil is examined for its impact on levels of development and the regional military balance.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce the economic problems and prospects of the Middle East.
2. To provide knowledge of the patterns of economic development in the Middle East.
3. To examine oil from the view point of both the Middle Eastern and oil importing countries.
4. To examine the changing importance of Middle East oil in the world supply of energy.

NS 3320 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND SECURITY
PROBLEMS IN THE MIDDLE EAST (4-0)

Course Description:

The course focuses on selected problems affecting American security interests in the Middle East: Strategic waterways, including the Suez Canal, the Turkish Straits, the Gulf of Aguaba, and the Indian Ocean; the politics of and problems of access to the area's oil resources; the development of U.S. and Soviet policies toward the area, all set in the context of regional international politics.

Course Objectives:

1. To provide readings on the strategic implications of the area, and the political and military context of U.S. policy options with respect to these implications.
2. To summarize and collate material presented in other courses on Middle Eastern and North African politics, and present it in terms of U.S. policy and possible contingencies.
3. To present contemporary political developments in the area, and to provide a conceptual framework for interpreting future events and trends.

NS 3400 COMPARATIVE COMMUNIST POLITICAL SYSTEMS (4-0)

Course Description:

An Analysis of structure and policy-making processes of existing communist political systems, of their major functions and significant factors affecting system development. Systems include those of the USSR, Eastern Europe, East Asia, South Asia and Cuba.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce the literature and field of comparative communist systems.
2. To provide the conceptual framework to understand the Communist regimes.
3. To acquaint the student with the common and disparate elements associated with these systems.
4. To provide a sense of the strengths and weaknesses of various Communist systems, and the general pattern of Communist takeovers and system development.

NS 3410 SOVIET NATIONAL SECURITY AND FOREIGN POLICY-MAKING PROCESS (4-0)

Course Description:

A study of the processes which determine the national security and foreign policies of the Soviet Union. The main focus is on foreign policy and the dynamics of decision-making in Soviet national security affairs.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce the literature and field of Soviet national security and foreign policy.
2. To build upon knowledge of the domestic determinants and explain the linkage between domestic bureaucratic politics and foreign policy.
3. To provide the students with an overview of Soviet foreign policy during the Stalin, Khrushchev, and Brezhnev eras. Special emphasis is given to crisis management and trends in foreign policy.

NS 3420 SOVIET NAVAL AND MARITIME STRATEGY (4-0)

Course Description:

Examination of the roles played by the Soviet Navy, Merchant Marine, Fishing Fleet, and Oceanographic Establishment in securing the objectives of the Soviet Government. Topics include: Geographic factors affecting Soviet ocean strategies; non-naval strategy trends; international and domestic factors affecting post-1953 naval strategy; development of Soviet naval warfare capabilities; doctrinal and functional analysis of post-1953 trends in naval strategy; command structure; personnel training; law of the sea positions; U.S.-Soviet naval interaction.

Course Objectives:

1. To ensure familiarity with the structure of the Soviet naval, merchant marine, fishing, and oceanographic establishments.
2. To analyze the functions intelligence officers and planners perform in light of Soviet national objectives, national strategy, international political strategy, overall military strategy, and finally, naval and maritime strategy per se.
3. To describe how those functions are performed, and become acquainted with the operational environment, with emphasis on:
 - a. Developing and maintaining the strength and capabilities of the Soviet naval and maritime establishments;
 - b. Exercising and utilizing their strengths and capabilities;
 - c. The geography of the Soviet Union and surrounding waters;and
 - d. The existence of U.S. seapower.

NS 3430 SOVIET MILITARY STRATEGY (4-0)

Course Description:

Economic, historical and geographic influences on Russian military operations and strategies emphasizing the Soviet era. Likely alternative future Soviet military developments and strategies are examined.

Course Objectives:

1. To present historical soviet military operations.
2. To describe the role of the Soviet armed forces in the national security decision-making process.
3. To understand the process of developing and maintaining the strength and capabilities of the Soviet military establishment.

NS 3440 COMPARATIVE COMMUNIST POLITICAL SYSTEMS (4-0)

Course Description:

An analysis of structure and policy-making processes of existing communist political systems, of their major functions, and significant factors affecting system development. Systems include those of the USSR, Eastern Europe, East Asia, South Asia and Cuba.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce the literature and field of comparative communist systems.
2. To provide the conceptual framework to understand the Communist regimes.
3. To acquaint the student with the common and disparate associated with these systems.
4. To provide a sense of the strengths and weaknesses of various Communist systems, and the general pattern of Communist takeovers and system development.

NS 3520 PROBLEMS OF DIPLOMACY AND SECURITY IN LATIN AMERICA
AND THE CARIBBEAN (4-0)

Course Description:

A study of the geographic, political, economic, and military relationships among Latin American nations, and the role of Latin America in world politics. Special emphasis is placed on U.S. relations with Latin America.

Course Objectives:

1. To describe the strategic implications of the region, as they pertain to U.S. security interests.
2. To summarize and integrate material presented in other courses on Latin America in terms of the implications for U.S. policy choices.

NS 3610 PROBLEMS OF GOVERNMENT AND SECURITY IN EAST ASIA AND THE
PACIFIC OCEAN (5-0)

Course Description:

Problems of industrialization, revolution, and conflict in the East Asian states: China's relations with contiguous states; Sino-Soviet state, party, and ideological differences; Chinese military and naval command structure; Japan's new dynamic position; U. S. and Japanese security issues; problems of the two Koreas; Soviet and American Far Eastern interests and policies; analysis of present and future military capabilities and strategies of East Asian states.

Course Objectives:

1. To familiarize the student with the institutions and political processes of the governments and political parties in East Asia.
2. To define the agricultural and economic development problems of the region.
3. To delineate the historic and strategic interests of each state and identify the methods and capabilities with which perceived policy is being pursued.
4. To analyze the relation of these states with the superpowers with particular focus on the Sino-Soviet conflict and perceived mutual interest with, and policies toward, the United States.
5. To assess the military capabilities of each state and become familiar with their military capabilities, strategies, command structures, and operational employment.

NS 3620 PROBLEMS OF GOVERNMENT AND SECURITY IN SOUTH ASIA AND
THE INDIAN OCEAN (4-0)

Course Description:

Problems of nationalism, modernization, and security in the governments and economies of India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Afghanistan, and Sri Lanka. Indian-Pakistani relations; relations with China; the Tibetan and Kashmir problems; strategic interests of the major powers; Soviet interests and naval expansion in the Indian Ocean.

Course Objectives:

To gain an understanding of these countries in terms of:

1. Religious and social systems.
2. Systems of government
3. Security problems and their significance to the national interest of the United States.

NS 3710 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND SECURITY
PROBLEMS OF THE MEDITERRANEAN (4-0)

Course Description:

This course provides an introduction to security problems in and around the Mediterranean. It focuses on the strategic problems of access to, and defense of the Mediterranean littoral; communication routes in the Mediterranean; Western and Soviet interests in the Mediterranean; politics and policies of surrounding states.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce strategic and security problems presented by the geographic configuration of the Mediterranean littoral.
2. To introduce both historical and contemporary politics of the Mediterranean states.

NS 4300 SEMINAR IN SECURITY PROBLEMS OF THE MIDDLE EAST (4-0)

Course Description:

The central theme of the course is U.S. interests in the Middle East, how these interests are threatened, and what policy alternatives have been proposed to secure them. Advanced Middle Eastern politics and the security problems they present to U.S. decision-makers.

Prerequisite: NS 3300 or NS 3320

Course Objectives:

1. To pursue reading and research interests in keeping with expected career assignments.
2. To provide opportunities to discuss and become familiar with the outlines of current policy debates on issues affecting U.S. national security as it relates to the Middle East.

NS 4630 INTERNATIONAL SECURITY PROBLEMS OF ASIA AND THE ADJACENT
OCEANS (4-0)

Course Description:

An advanced study of the international security interests and problems of the Asian states: Changing military capabilities and the balance of power, military and naval threats; economic resources for war; alliances, bases, and security systems; forecasting of international conflict on the continent; assessment of the Asian policies of the U. S.

Prerequisite: 8 units of Asian studies or consent of the Instructor.

Course Objectives:

1. To know the national and international security interest of the Asian States.
2. To estimate and forecast international conflict in Asia.
3. To assess the Asian policies of the U. S. in terms of our national interest.

NS 4700 SEMINAR IN SOVIET-EUROPEAN RELATIONS (4-0)

Course Description:

A seminar to deepen knowledge of current issues in Soviet and European affairs through weekly presentations and discussions by visiting scholars and government officials, and by the preparation and presentation of student research papers.

Course Objectives:

1. To develop sophisticated perceptions of political and security issues in specific European countries and sub-areas.
2. To develop research, analytical, and writing skills necessary for advanced political analysis.
3. For thesis student, to contribute to the refinement and completion of their research.

NS 4701 SEMINAR IN POLITICAL AND SECURITY PROBLEMS OF EUROPE (4-0)

Course Description:

A research seminar on political and security issues in contemporary Europe. Students conduct and present original research on selected issues, or related issues, in specific European countries or sub-regions. The topic around which the seminar is structured varies from term to term. It is chosen to meet the research interests of each group of students in the course.

Course Objectives:

1. To develop sophisticated and detailed knowledge of political and security issues in specific European countries and sub-areas.
2. To develop research, analytical, and writing skills needed for advanced political analysis.
3. For thesis students, to contribute to the refinement and completion of research.

NS 4710 SEMINAR IN SINO-SOVIET RELATIONS (4-0)

Course Description:

Advanced analysis of Sino-Soviet relations. Emphasis is on political, economic and military factors which have shaped historical confrontations and contemporary conflicts, and which will likely influence the policies of both nations in the future. The special features of the course include consideration of the influence of Sino-Soviet conflicts upon global military and diplomatic problems. Open to Asian and Soviet Studies students and to other students with consent of the Instructor.

Course Objective:

1. To investigate the confrontations and periods of cooperation between China and Russia.
2. To describe the extent and influence of Sino-Soviet relations on other countries.
3. To determine the significance of Sino-Soviet relations to the United States.