

Global Security and Intelligence Studies (GSIS)

GSIS 502 Fundamentals of Security and Intelligence 3 Credits (3,0)

Comprehensive overview of intelligence community structure, security concepts, threat assessment, counterintelligence, and emergency management for students without a GSIS background.

Course Offered at: Prescott, Worldwide

GSIS 505 Homeland Security and Intelligence Integration 3 Credits (3,0)

Examination of the need for integration between intelligence and security agencies at all levels of government. Topics include risk-based security and resource allocation in response to domestic and international threats.

Course Offered at: Prescott, Worldwide

GSIS 510 Strategic Intelligence: Diplomacy, Covert Operations, and War 3 Credits (3,0)

Exploration of secret intelligence's role in U.S. national security and foreign policy. Focus on intelligence successes, failures, post-9/11 reforms, and the Iraq War.

Course Offered at: Prescott, Worldwide

GSIS 511 Strategic Analysis 3 Credits (3,0)

Examination of major schools of strategic thought through the works of thinkers like Colin Gray and Henry Kissinger. Topics may include geopolitics, warfare, and state formation.

Course Offered at: Prescott, Worldwide

GSIS 512 Comparative Global Intel 3 Credits (3,0)

Comparative analysis of intelligence operations in authoritarian and non-authoritarian systems. Focus on integrated intelligence practices in political cultures older than the U.S.

Course Offered at: Prescott, Worldwide

GSIS 515 Legal and Ethical Issues in National Security and Intelligence 3 Credits (3,0)

Analysis of ethical responsibilities in intelligence work, including moral obligations, legal oversight, and the role of intelligence professionals in a democratic society.

Course Offered at: Prescott, Worldwide

GSIS 525 Protection of Critical Infrastructure and Technology Systems 3 Credits (3,0)

Exploration of the vulnerabilities in U.S. critical infrastructure. Analysis of private ownership, sector interdependency, and policy solutions.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 530 Intelligence and the Spectrum of Social Conflict 3 Credits (3,0)

Analysis of social, cultural, and economic trends shaping political change. Examination of social networks and their impact on predictive intelligence.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 535 Research Approaches in Security and Intelligence Studies 3 Credits (3,0)

Overview of methodological approaches in security and intelligence research. Students explore research questions under faculty mentorship, leading to advanced academic or professional projects.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 560 Intelligence in Military Operations: Conventional and Asymmetrical 3 Credits (3,0)

Analysis of military intelligence in assessing geopolitical and strategic issues. Topics include intelligence use in post-war assessments and real-time tactical intelligence.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 565 Strategic Counterintelligence: Deception, Espionage, and Active Measures 3 Credits (3,0)

Exploration of offensive and defensive counterintelligence operations, including espionage, deception, and CI tradecraft. Case studies highlight successes and failures.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 566 Counter-Intelligence 3 Credits (3,0)

Examination of counterintelligence techniques to protect intelligence communities from external penetration. Focus on espionage, betrayal motivations, and case studies of U.S. counterintelligence operations.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 575 Counter Terrorism 3 Credits (3,0)

Exploration of strategies for preventing and responding to terrorist threats. Topics include terrorist behavior analysis, counterterrorism strategies, and critiques of contemporary counterterrorism policy.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 580 Graduate Research Design 3 Credits (3,0)

Development of academic research projects under faculty mentorship. Focus on experimental design, IRB approval, and preparing research for publication.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 599 Special Topics in Global Security and Intelligence Studies 1-6 Credit (1-6,0)

Individual, independent, or directed studies of selected topics in global security and intelligence studies.

Course Offered at: Daytona Beach, Prescott

GSIS 600 Science, Space, Technology, and Intelligence 3 Credits (3,0)

Exploration of intelligence collection techniques in science and technology, including sensor technology, space intelligence, and emerging technologies.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 625 Global Transportation and Supply Chain Security 3 Credits (3,0)

Examination of global security threats in transportation and supply chains. Focus on risk management and security best practices.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 650 Area Studies 3 Credits (3,0)

Intensive reading in the history, politics, and culture of a specific geographical region. Emphasis on knowledge areas relevant to security and intelligence analysis.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 655 The Security Implications of Climate Change 3 Credits (3,0)

Analysis of the security challenges posed by climate change, including food production, migration, and regional conflict. Focus on remote sensing tools and response planning.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 657 Cyber Warfare: Threats and Counter-Operations 3 Credits (3,0)

Analysis of cyber threats to national security and strategies for defending against cyberattacks. Topics include cyber exploitation, defense, and attack methodologies.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 670 Mastering and Managing Security Operations 3 Credits (3,0)

Evaluation of global security case studies. Topics include risk assessment models, security resource allocation, and scenario-based risk mitigation exercises.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 680 Applied Research in Security and Intelligence Studies 3 Credits (3,0)

Development of professional research projects addressing real-world problems in security and intelligence. Final projects aim to solve pressing issues in government or industry.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 690 Graduate Research Project 3 Credits (3,0)

Deepens experimental research expertise in close collaboration with a faculty mentor. Research experiment focuses on addressing a pressing problem in scientific literature. Culminates in a final project suitable for consideration in a journal related to security and intelligence studies.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 696 Graduate Internship in Security and Intelligence Studies 1-3 Credit (3,0)

Professional internship in security and intelligence, applying theories and skills in a real-world setting.

Course Offered at: Prescott

GSIS 699 Special Topics in Global Security and Intelligence Studies 1-6 Credit (1-6,0)

Individual, independent, or directed studies of selected topics in global security and intelligence studies.

Course Offered at: Daytona Beach, Prescott

GSIS 700 Graduate Thesis 1-9 Credit (1-6,0)

Completion of a thesis as part of the MS SIS program. Topics must address critical security or intelligence issues and contribute to the existing body of knowledge.

Course Offered at: Prescott, Worldwide