

# B.S. in Global Conflict Studies

Through the examination of real-world case studies, historical perspectives and faculty expertise, the B.S. in Global Conflict Studies teaches analytical and research skills essential for influencing the resolution of conflicts. The program provides a deep understanding of methodologies, technologies and political processes aimed at preventing conflicts. Students examine the histories and interactions of major global regions, gaining insights into the complexities of international dynamics.

Additionally, students explore contemporary global security challenges and theoretical frameworks for conflict management, equipping them to effectively navigate today's multifaceted conflicts.

Study abroad opportunities, language acquisition and cross-cultural internships provide a unique learning experience. Students gain a competitive edge in the marketplace with the addition of bilingual or multilingual skills in strategic languages.

Students can also pursue two of Embry-Riddle's many minors, including:

- Arabic Studies
- Business
- Communication
- Forensic Accounting and Fraud Examination
- Terrorism Studies
- Homeland Security

## Program-Level Student Learning Outcomes

### Students will:

- Explain the culture, society, economy, geography, politics, and history of a given region.
- Work collaboratively to deliver research papers, professional presentations, and briefs.
- Evaluate the causes and nature of international, transnational, and intranational conflicts critically.
- Assess information critically and effectively communicate their findings.
- Critically evaluate emerging and historical threats and opportunities associated with globalization.
- Analyze human security, its causes, impact, and the creation of sustainable societies.
- Explain the global system and recurring themes in international relations.

## Daytona Beach Program Requirements

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|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| General Education Requirements                                   | 36         |
| Core Requirements                                                | 16         |
| Conflict Core                                                    | 12         |
| Regional Analysis Core                                           | 12         |
| Science and Technology Specified Electives                       | 9          |
| Policy, Program Management and Communication Specified Electives | 6          |
| Breadth Area or Coherent Block                                   | 30         |
| <b>Total Credits</b>                                             | <b>121</b> |

### General Education Requirements

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Communication                 | 9 |
| Humanities - Lower Level      | 3 |
| Social Sciences - Lower Level | 3 |

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|---------------------------------------------------|---|
| Humanities/Social Sciences - Lower or Upper Level | 3 |
| Humanities/Social Sciences - Upper Level          | 3 |
| Computer Science/Information Technology           | 3 |
| Mathematics                                       | 6 |
| Physical/Life Sciences                            | 6 |
| One course must include a lab                     |   |

**Total Credits 36**

### Core Requirements

|          |                                         |   |
|----------|-----------------------------------------|---|
| GCST 101 | Introduction to Global Conflict Studies | 3 |
| GCST 115 | Introduction to International Relations | 3 |
| GCST 400 | Topics in Global Conflict Studies       | 3 |
| GCST 490 | Global Conflict Studies Capstone        | 3 |
| SOSC 207 | Introduction to Research Methods        | 3 |
| UNIV 101 | College Success                         | 1 |

**Total Credits 16**

### Conflict Core

|                               |                                            |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Choose Four of the Following: | 12                                         |
| COIN 396                      | Co-Operative Education                     |
| CYBR 485                      | War, Terrorism and Diplomacy in Cyberspace |
| GCST 208                      | Human Geography                            |
| GCST 300                      | International Conflict Resolution          |
| GCST 302                      | Gender Security                            |
| GCST 304                      | Political Violence                         |
| GCST 306                      | Theories of Nations and Nationalism        |
| GCST 308                      | Transnational Crime                        |
| GCST 310                      | International Political Economy            |
| GCST 314                      | Religion, Conflict, and Peace              |
| GOVT 325                      | International Studies                      |
| GOVT 402                      | Globalization and World Politics           |
| HUMN 341                      | World Philosophy                           |
| or HUMN 345                   | Comparative Religions                      |

**Total Credits 12**

### Regional Analysis Core

|                               |                                         |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Choose Four of the Following: | 12                                      |
| GCST 312                      | Understanding the European Union        |
| GCST 338                      | History and Politics of the Gulf Region |
| GOVT 320                      | American National Government            |
| GOVT 331                      | Current Issues in America               |
| SOSC 341                      | Modern U.S. Foreign Policy              |
| GOVT 353                      | Early U.S. Foreign Policy               |
| HIST 322                      | Modern Russian History                  |
| HIST 311                      | U.S. Military History 1775-1900         |
| HIST 321                      | U.S. Military History 1900-Present      |
| SOSC 326                      | Russian-U.S. Relations                  |
| SOSC 333                      | U.S.-Asian Relations                    |
| SOSC 334                      | Contemporary Africa and the World       |
| SOSC 336                      | The Modern Middle East in World Affairs |
| SOSC 363                      | Inter-American Relations                |

**Total Credits 12**

### Science and Technology Specified Electives

|                                |                                                |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Choose Three of the Following: | 9                                              |
| GEOS 210                       | Introduction to Geographic Information Systems |
| CYBR 155                       | Foundations of Information Security            |
| ECON 200                       | An Economic Survey                             |

|               |                                                 |   |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------|---|
| ECON 210      | Microeconomics                                  |   |
| ECON 211      | Macroeconomics                                  |   |
| GEOS 310      | Advanced Geographic Information Systems         |   |
| GEOS 402      | Geo Info System Applications                    |   |
| HLSC 290      | Environmental Security                          |   |
| INTL 406      | Geographic Information Systems and Intelligence |   |
| WEAX 201      | Introduction to Meteorology                     |   |
| Total Credits |                                                 | 9 |

## Policy, Program Management and Communication Specified Electives

|                              |                                                                 |   |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Choose Two of the Following: |                                                                 | 6 |
| BUSA 308                     | Public Administration                                           |   |
| BUSA 325                     | Social Responsibility and Ethics in Management                  |   |
| BUSA 335                     | International Business                                          |   |
| COMM 180                     | Media Literacy                                                  |   |
| COMM 265                     | Introduction to Newswriting and Reporting                       |   |
| COMM 325                     | Mass Media and Current Events                                   |   |
| COMM 326                     | Social Media Communication                                      |   |
| COMM 330                     | Science and Technology Communication                            |   |
| COMM 332                     | Cross-Cultural Communication                                    |   |
| COMM 350                     | Environmental Communication                                     |   |
| COMM 360                     | Public Relations                                                |   |
| COMM 460                     | Crisis Communication                                            |   |
| HLSC 220                     | National Security Enterprise                                    |   |
| HLSC 315                     | Critical Infrastructure Security, Resilience, and Risk Analysis |   |
| HLSC 342                     | Maritime Security                                               |   |
| MGMT 201                     | Principles of Management                                        |   |
| SPAC 230                     | Space Policy and Law - History                                  |   |
| Total Credits                |                                                                 | 6 |

## Breadth Area or Coherent Block

Students must complete their breadth requirement with Two Minors (Minimum 30 credit hours total), or One Minor and a "Coherent Block of Credits" (minimum 30 credits total) which is determined with consent of GCS Program Advisor.

Students must earn a GPA of 2.00 or higher to successfully complete a minor program. Additionally, students who take the Terrorism Studies Minor will not be allowed to use duplicate credits toward their Core Courses.

**Total Credits** 30

## Suggested Plan of Study

### Year One

| Requirements                                       | Credits   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| COMM 122 - English Composition                     | 3         |
| CPSC 120 - Introduction to Computing in Aviation   | 3         |
| MATH 120 - Applied College Algebra                 | 3         |
| GCST 101 - Introduction to Global Conflict Studies | 3         |
| GCST 115 - Introduction to International Relations | 3         |
| UNIV 101 - College Success                         | 1         |
| <b>Semester Hours</b>                              | <b>16</b> |

| Requirements                                | Credits   |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|
| MATH 210 - Introduction to Data Science     | 3         |
| SOSC 207 - Introduction to Research Methods | 3         |
| Humanities - Lower Level (140 series)       | 3         |
| Social Sciences – Lower Level               | 3         |
| Physical/Life Sciences                      | 3         |
| <b>Semester Hours</b>                       | <b>15</b> |

### Total Credits

Total Hours for All Requirements: 31

### Year Two

| Requirements                                              | Credits   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| COMM 223 - Intelligence Communication                     | 3         |
| GEOS 210 - Introduction to Geographic Information Systems | 3         |
| Physical/Life Sciences with Lab                           | 3         |
| Conflict Core                                             | 3         |
| Regional Analysis Core                                    | 3         |
| <b>Semester Hours</b>                                     | <b>15</b> |

| Requirements                                | Credits   |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|
| COMM 219 - Speech                           | 3         |
| Humanities or Social Sciences – Upper Level | 3         |
| Conflict Core                               | 3         |
| Regional Analysis Core                      | 3         |
| Science and Technology Specified Elective   | 3         |
| <b>Semester Hours</b>                       | <b>15</b> |

### Total Credits

Total Hours for All Requirements: 30

### Year Three

| Requirements                                         | Credits   |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Humanities or Social Sciences – Lower or Upper Level | 3         |
| Conflict Core                                        | 3         |
| Regional Analysis Core                               | 3         |
| Breadth Area                                         | 3         |
| Breadth Area                                         | 3         |
| <b>Semester Hours</b>                                | <b>15</b> |

| Requirements                                                    | Credits   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Conflict Core                                                   | 3         |
| Regional Analysis Core                                          | 3         |
| Policy, Program Management and Communication Specified Elective | 3         |
| Breadth Area                                                    | 3         |
| Breadth Area                                                    | 3         |
| <b>Semester Hours</b>                                           | <b>15</b> |

### Total Credits

Total Hours for All Requirements: 30

Year Four

| Requirements                                 | Credits |
|----------------------------------------------|---------|
| GCST 400 - Topics in Global Conflict Studies | 3       |
| Science and Technology Specified Elective    | 3       |
| Breadth Area                                 | 3       |
| Breadth Area                                 | 3       |
| Breadth Area                                 | 3       |
| Semester Hours                               | 15      |

| Requirements                                                    | Credits |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| GCST 490 - Global Conflict Studies Capstone                     | 3       |
| Policy, Program Management and Communication Specified Elective | 3       |
| Breadth Area                                                    | 3       |
| Breadth Area                                                    | 3       |
| Breadth Area                                                    | 3       |
| Semester Hours                                                  | 15      |

Total Credits

Total Hours for All Requirements: 30