CURRICULUM CHANGE PROPOSAL

APPROVAL PAGE

Proposal Title: Catalog Changes for the Bachelor of Arts in Security Studies

College: Liberal Arts   Department: Intelligence and National Security Studies

DEPARTMENT CHAIR

I have read the enclosed proposal and approve this proposal on behalf of the department.

Larry A. Valero   2/26/18

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Signature   **Date**

COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college curriculum committee.

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Signature   **Date**

COLLEGE DEAN

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college. I certify that the necessary funds will be allocated by the college in support of this proposal.

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Signature   **Date**

February 26, 2018

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To: Jacen Maier Moore, Ph.D.
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Subject: Catalog Changes for the Bachelor of Arts in Security Studies

The Intelligence and National Security Studies Program is requesting changes to the catalog copy of the online Bachelor of Arts in Security Studies. The most significant of these proposed changes involve the deletion of specific admissions requirements including a statement of purpose and two letters of recommendation. The changes are being made so that the admissions requirements for this undergraduate degree are consistent with others programs in Extended University/UTEP Connect and across the university. There are also indications and anecdotal evidence that these requirements are limiting enrollments with students pursuing online degrees at other universities in similar fields that do not require a statement of purpose and letters of recommendation.   Other minor changes are being proposed to update and clarify the description of the degree program.

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Bachelor of Arts in Security Studies Online

The online Bachelor of Arts in Security Studies is designed to provide students with a comprehensive, critical examination of the contemporary security environment and the ability to understand and analyze complex security problems confronting the United States and international community. This specialized online degree has been developed primarily with active homeland security, intelligence, law enforcement, and military professionals in mind; and who are seeking undergraduate degree completion in a field of study highly relevant and practical for their careers. This undergraduate program is also very useful for students wanting to enter into these fields. All qualified prospective students are welcome to apply for admission. Students completing this rigorous undergraduate program are well prepared for graduate study in Security Studies or a closely related field and/or are equipped academically and professional to make an immediate impact in a host of security-related careers.

NOTE: THIS PROGRAM IS OFFERED ONLY IN THE DISTANCE LEARNING/ONLINE FORMAT.

1. Must meet UTEPs undergraduate admission requirements.
2. A minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.75; or a minimum cumulative college transfer GPA of 2.5.

Program Requirements:

1. Complete a minimum of 120 semester hours.
2. Fulfill the general education, block electives, and foreign language core requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree in the College of Liberal Arts.
   a) Security Studies majors need to fulfill the mathematics requirement by taking MATH 1320.
3. Complete six (6) credit hours of intermediate levels Spanish. Pre-requisites may exist before taking the intermediate level courses. Spanish is the only foreign language available online.

Major Requirements (48 semester hours)

The major requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in Security Studies consists of 16 required courses (48 semester hours). This total is exclusive of UTEP's Core Curriculum requirements and the College of Liberal Arts General Education block elective and language requirements.

All courses are offered in an intensive, 7 week online format for maximum scheduling flexibility for full-time, working students. This rigorous, but ultimately convenient undergraduate program can be taken on a full-time or part-time basis.

This undergraduate program consists of required major courses at the freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior level. There are no major course electives. All students take a standard program of required major courses. This highly specialized online undergraduate degree does not have a minor requirement.

Code	Title	Hours
Freshman Level		
INSS 1301	History and Security	3
INSS 1302	Geography and Security	3
Sophomore Level		
INSS 2302	Security Studies	3

Code	Title	Hours
INSS 2303	Writing for Security Prof.	3
INSS 2304	Statistics for Security Stud.	3
INSS 2305	Modern Strategy	3
Junior Level		
INSS 3302	Sem in Intel and Nat'l Sec	3
INSS 3340	Seminar in Homeland Security	3
INSS 3348	Cyberspace & National Security	3
INSS 3349	Security Operations	3
Senior Level		
INSS 4301	Intel Collection & Analysis	3
INSS 4302	Intel & Transnational Threats	3
INSS 4303	Ethics and Security	3
INSS 4347	Critical Infrastructure Prtctn	3
INSS 4380	Cybersecurity	3
INSS 4390	Senior Capstone	3

Course List

Academic Standards

Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better in order to earn the Bachelor of Arts in Security Studies. Students with a semester GPA below 2.0 will be placed on academic probation by the program. Students will have only twelve (12) semester hours (four courses) to return to "good" academic standing with a GPA of 2.0 or better. Those students failing to return to good academic standing after 12 semester hours may be dismissed from the undergraduate program.

Degree Plan

Required Credits: 120

Code	Title	Hours
ESOL Students		
Students who completed ESOL 1311 and ESOL 1312 will also need to complete ESOL 2303 with a grade of C or better.		
University Core Curriculum		
Complete the University Core Curriculum requirements.		42
Security Studies Major		
Required Courses:		
INSS 1301	History and Security	3
INSS 1302	Geography and Security	3
INSS 2302	Security Studies	3
INSS 2303	Writing for Security Prof.	3

Code	Title	Hours
INSS 2304	Statistics for Security Stud.	3
INSS 2305	Modern Strategy	3
Upper-Division Coursework:		
Select one of the following:		3
INSS 3302	Sem in Intel and Nat'l Sec	
INSS 3340	Seminar in Homeland Security	
INSS 3348	Cyberspace & National Security	
INSS 3349	Security Operations	
INSS 4301	Intel Collection & Analysis	
INSS 4302	Intel & Transnational Threats	
INSS 4303	Ethics and Security	
INSS 4347	Critical Infrastructure Prtctn	
INSS 4380	Cybersecurity	
INSS 4390	Senior Capstone	
Major Electives:		
Select six additional hours		6
Foreign Language		
Select a sequence from the following options: [1]		6
ARAB 2401 & ARAB 2402	Intermediate Arabic I and Intermediate Arabic II	
SPAN 2301 & SPAN 2302	Interm Spanish One Non-Nat Spk and Interm Spanish Two Non-Nat Spk	
SPAN 2303 & SPAN 2304	Spanish For Spanish Spkrs One and Spanish for Spanish Spkrs Two	
SPAN 2602	Intensive Intermediate Spanish	
SPAN 2603	Intensive Span for Span Speak	
FREN 2301 & FREN 2302	French Three and French Four	
GERM 2301 & GERM 2302	German Three and German Four	
LATN 2303 & LATN 2304	Accelerated Latin One and Accelerated Latin Two	
PORT 2401 & PORT 2402	Intermediate Portguese I and Intermediate Portuguese II	
LING 2303 & LING 2304	Intensive Language Study and Intensive Language Study	
CHIN 2301 & CHIN 2302	Intermediate Chinese I and Intermediate Chinese II	

Code	Title	Hours
Block Electives		
Complete eighteen upper-division hours from the blocks below, with three to nine hours in each		18
Total Hours		**120**

Course List

University Core Curriculum

NOTE: The department may make specific suggestions for courses which are most applicable towards your major.

Psychology and Criminal Justice majors and minors are required to take MATH 1320 Math for Social Sciences I (C)or a higher level Calculus course.
Business majors are required to take MATH 1320 Math for Social Sciences I (C) or a higher level Calculus course.
NOTE: All courses require a C or better

Communication

American History

Language, Philosophy & Culture

Mathematics

Life & Physical Sciences - Lab

Life and Physical Sciences

Political Science

Social and Behavioral Sciences

Creative Arts

Component Area Option

Block Electives

(Core courses and courses from major or minor area cannot be counted as block electives)

Fine and Performing Arts

Humanities

Social and Behavioral Sciences