BACHELOR OF ARTS NATIONAL SECURITY & INTELLIGENCE

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The National Security and Intelligence (NSI) Program is a major in the Social Sciences that is designed to provide the necessary background for students to pursue careers in the national security and / or intelligence communities. The program undertakes a multidisciplinary approach and includes courses from several disciplines including Criminal Justice, History, and Political Science, with additional computer lab and fieldwork. Often times, the work of NSI graduates, whether relating to national security, criminal investigative activities or competition analysis in private industry, involves the preparation of assessments based on the collection, correlation, and analysis of intelligence data. However, the NSI curriculum offers a solid foundation for any career.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

There is a large demand for trained professionals in post 9/11 government organizations at the local, state and national levels. The largest demand at the federal level is in the Departments of State, Defense, Justice, and Homeland Security, as well as the traditional opportunities in the Intelligence Community with entities such as the Central Intelligence and National Security Agencies. Law enforcement agencies at the state and local levels are also seeking graduates with this critical background. There is also a growing demand in private industry as companies are faced with the challenges and opportunities of globalization.

Job titles for NSI graduates:

- Intelligence Community (CIA DIA, NSA, etc.)
- National Security (DoS, DoD, DHS, DoJ, FBI, etc.)
- Military Intelligence
- WV Division of Homeland Security
- National Security, Defense, Intelligence Contractors
- Lawyer
- Military Officer

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CORE Curriculum Requirements

First Year Seminar	1 hour
Written Communication	6 hours
Oral Communication	3 hours
Mathematics	3-4 hours
Humanities with Critical Thinking	3 hours
Fine Arts with Critical Thinking	3 hours
Natural Science with Critical Thinking	3-5 hours
Social Science with Critical Thinking	3 hours
Citizenship	3 hours
Global Aware./Fitness&Wellness/Tech	2-3 hours

NSI Curriculum: 51 credit hours

BISM 4300	Business Intelligence	3 hours
BSBA 2200	Economics	3 hours
HIST 1107	US History I	3 hours
HIST 1108	US History II	3 hours
HIST 2213	World Civilizations III	3 hours
NSIS 3305	History of National Security & Intel	3 hours
HIST 3310	Diplomatic History	3 hours
NSIS 3300	Intelligence Research	3 hours
POLI 3370	World Religion & Politics	3 hours
POLI 1100	American Government	3 hours
POLI 2210	Principles of International Relations	3 hours
POLI 2220	Comparative Government	3 hours
CRIM 4400	Research in the Social Sciences	3 hours
POLI 3350	International Law	3 hours
PSYC 2240	Statistics	3 hours
POLI 4405	Terrorism	3 hours
OR		
CRIM 4405	Terrorism	3 hours
NSIS 4490	NSI Capstone Seminar	3 hours

NSI Electives: 6 credit hours

Courses include any 3300/4400 level NSI or Political Science Course

Foreign Language: 12 credit hours

Students may choose any language offered including French, Spanish, Italian, and Arabic.

Students are encouraged complete a minor, an associates degree, or double major. Minor, associate degree, or double major hours vary based on route taken by student

Students are encouraged to work with their advisor to ensure any electives are in line with the student's career goals.

Sample Schedule

Students must successfully complete 120 hours for the degree. Schedules vary based on course availability, semester student enters program, and any courses already completed.

First Year, 1st Semester CORE 1st Year Seminar ENGL 1101 CORE Fine Arts CORE Mathematics POLI 1100 HIST 1107	First Year, 2nd Semester ENGL 1102 NSIS 3315 CORE Humanities CORE Oral Comm HIST 1108
Second Year, 1st Semester	Second Year, 2nd Semester
NSIS 3300	PSYC 2240
CORE Fitness	CRIM 2295
HIST 2213	POLI 2210
POLI 2220	NSIS 3305
HIST 3310	CORE Social Science
Third Year, 1st Semester	Third Year, 2nd Semester
POLI/CRIM 4405	CORE Natural Science
CRIM 4400	POLI 3350
NSI Elective	POLI 3370
Free Elective	Language
Language	Free Elective
Fourth Year, 1st Semester	Fourth Year, 1st Semester
NSIS 4490	Free Elective
Language	Language
NSI Elective	Free Elective
Free Elective	Free Elective
Free Elective	Free Elective

National Security & Intelligence Minor: 18 credit hours

Students may choose to complete a minor in NSI.

Required Courses: 6 credit hours

NSIS/HIST 3305	History of NSI	3 hours
POLI 4405	Terrorism	3 hours

Electives: 12 credit hours

Must be from at least two disciplines (History, Political Science, Criminal Justice).

Note: This model schedule is a suggested course sequence & is meant to be used as a guide. Students should check the Undergraduate Catalog for their entrance year into Fairmont State University (or any subsequent catalog) to learn more about the graduation requirements for their major.



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