Graduate Certificate in Intelligence and National Security Studies

This certificate program is designed to familiarize students with issues in national security law, intelligence and security needs, problems of security risk confronted by private and governmental organizations, and how governments and other organization communicate with each other and work jointly on security matters. Inter-jurisdictional and inter-governmental aspects of security issues concerning infrastructure, travel and transport, immigration, and other similar matters are emphasized. The program is valuable for students interested in understanding the complex world of security bureaucracy, intelligence, and organizational cooperation in security matters, and for those students seeking careers in governmental and private agencies employing security technology, methodology, and services. Students are required to complete fifteen hours of required courses. Any UTEP graduate student in good academic standing is eligible for enrollment in the Graduate Certificate in Intelligence and National Security Studies.

Admission Requirements

The Graduate Certificate in Intelligence and National Security is designed for working and mid-career professionals who already hold a baccalaureate or graduate degree and are interested in further professional education. Applicants must complete the graduate school application and provide an official transcript. Students can be classified as non-degree-seeking students or have the certificate program incorporated into the degree requirements appropriate to their department and after meeting all program requirements for admission. Students who complete the Graduate Certificate in Intelligence and National Security and decide to pursue a graduate degree at a later date can apply to the appropriate graduate program and request that the units become part of their program upon admission.

Academic Standards

Students must earn a "B" grade or better in INSS 5304 Intel & Natl Sec Pol & Proc and in their capstone course to be awarded the certificate. Students will only be given one opportunity to retake a failed course ("C" grade or lower). Students with a cumulative GPA below 2.5 will be placed on academic probation. Students will only have one semester to return to "good" standing with a GPA of 2.5 or better. Those students failing to return to good academic standing after one semester may be dismissed.

Degree Plan

Required Credits: 18

Code	Title	Hours
Intel Natl Security Studies (All courses require a grade of C or better)		
Required Courses:		
INSS 5304	Intel & Natl Sec Pol & Proc	3
Free Electives:		
Select five courses from the following:		15
INSS 5300	Resrch Methods Intellig & CJ	
INSS 5301	Histl Devlpmt of Intel Commty	
INSS 5303	Legal Issues/Intel & Nat Sec	
INSS 5305	Intro to Intelligence Analysis	
INSS 5306	Contemporary Security Studies	
INSS 5307	Open Source Intel Analysis	
INSS 5308	Propaganda and Influence Ops	
INSS 5309	Technical Intelligence	
INSS 5310	Intel & Counterterrorism	
INSS 5311	Intelligence and Information	
INSS 5312	Commercial Imagery	
INSS 5313	Social Media Intelligence	
INSS 5315	Intel & Counterproliferation	
INSS 5320	Counterintel & Security	
INSS 5323	Invest Interview & Interrogat	
INSS 5325	Political Economy of Terrorism	
INSS 5328	Decision Making Intel & CJ	
INSS 5335	Transnational Criminal Orgs	
INSS 5340	Pro-Seminar Homeland Security	
INSS 5343	Crime & Border Security	

INSS 5351	Professional Skills	
INSS 5355	Geospatial Intelligence	
INSS 5361	Statistics in Intellig & CJ	
INSS 5366	Security Studies Internship	
INSS 5380	Selected Problems in Intel	
PAD 5363	Intergovernmental Relations	
POLS 5330	Seminar-International Politics	
POLS 5332	Sem-Foreign Policy Dec Making	
POLS 5347	Sem in International Security	
POLS 5368	Seminar in Conflict Analysis	
Total Hours		**18**