

**College Name/Program: College of International Security Affairs**

The College of International Security Affairs operates two military education programs. Both programs award a Master of Arts in Strategic Security Studies (MASSS).

1) Regional Defense Fellows Program at Fort McNair. This program is one of the Defense Department's Senior Leader Education (war college) offerings available to senior officers, select government civilians, and international officers. It is also one of the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff Joint Professional Military Education Level II programs, graduation from which is one of the requirements for military officers to ascend to the general officer/admiral ranks.

2) Joint Special Operations Master of Arts (JSOMA) Program at Fort Bragg. This program closely follows the outline of the curriculum at Ft. McNair and offers an advanced degree in similar studies to junior members of the special operations community stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. It is not part of the Chairman's Joint Professional Military Education program.

**Mission:** Educate joint warfighters and national security leaders in creative and critical thinking for the strategic challenges of winning strategies for the contemporary security environment.

**Program Learning Outcomes:**

- Evaluate irregular warfare strategies within the contemporary international security environment.
- Create joint warfighting strategies and policies for addressing contemporary irregular security challenges.
- Apply critical thinking skills to anticipate emerging threats, evolving challenges, and strategic opportunities.
- Lead global teams with a range of partners as part of joint, interagency, multinational and/or international cooperative security efforts.

**Emerging Faculty Skill Requirements:**

1. **For Ft. McNair:** faculty with expertise in Chinese Irregular warfare and information warfare strategy.
2. **For Ft. Bragg:** faculty with expertise in Chinese strategy and Special Operations Forces capabilities, emerging and disruptive science and technologies. In process to hire to fill this position.

Curriculum Overview: College of International Security Affairs

PHASE I		PHASE II		PHASE III
		FALL	SPRING	
Strategic Leadership Foundations (3cr.-4 wk)	Travel (1cr.-1 wk)	Introduction to Security Studies (3cr.-13 wk)	Strategic Thought (3cr.-13 wk)	Strategic Advising for Contemporary Challenges & Exercise (2cr.-5 wk)
		Power, Ideology, & Legitimacy (3cr.-13 wk)		
		Dynamics of Irregular Warfare (3cr.-13 wk)	Countering Irregular Warfare (3cr.-13 wk)	
			Irregular Warfare Strategies and Policies (3cr.-13 wk)	
		Policy Analysis & Critical Thinking (3cr.-13 wk)	Thesis Advising (3cr.-13 wk)	
		Area of Concentration Elective (2cr.-13 wk)	Travel & Staff Ride (1 cr.-1 wk)	Thesis Prep & Defense (1cr.-5 wk)
President's Lecture Series, Chancellor's Lecture Series, & Staff Rides (0cr.)				

PHASE I		PHASE II		PHASE III
		FALL	SPRING	
Strategic Leadership Foundations (4cr.-4 wk)		Introduction to Security Studies (3cr.)	Strategic Thought (3cr.wk)	Thesis Prep & Defense (1cr.)
		Power, Ideology, & Legitimacy (3cr.)		
		American Foreign Relations (3cr.)	Triangle Institute for Security Studies II (1cr.)	
		Triangle Institute for Security Studies I (1cr.)	Area of Concentration Elective (Students Choose Two) (4cr.)	
		Policy Analysis & Critical Thinking (3cr.)	Thesis Advising (3cr.)	
President's Lecture Series, Chancellor's Lecture Series, & Staff Rides (0cr.)				