Electives are case study based—70,000 years of lessons—successes & failures.

Some topics covered:

- Subversion
- Clandestine and covert ops
- Sabotage
- Deception
- Propaganda
- Psychological warfare
- Guerrilla warfare
- Great-power competition
- Terror
- Uprisings
- Kompromat
- Collapse from within
- Disinformation / fake news

- Societal capacity
- Cognitive resilience
- Trust
- Glasnost
- Education
- Cultural exchanges
- Fellow travelers
- Fifth columns
- Third options
- Will to fight
- Narrative warfare
- Szalámitaktika
- Low/no-cost high-impact ops
- Stabilization

Student responsibilities (each course)
- Strategy recommendation memo
- 5-minute presentation
- Lively class debate
- Short/exciting readings/videos
1) Strategy memorandum for policymakers (2-4 pages)
   - Judged on creativity, critical analysis, logic, methodology, clarity (short and simple – no outside research required)
   - Recommended outline and past examples will be provided
   - Standard: written briefing given to Cabinet

2) Five-minute presentation on strategy recommendation
   - Recommended outline will be provided
   - No PowerPoint

3) Class contribution
   - Bring your A game to each lesson—this course is debate and discussion driven...2-3 creative and critical insights/questions per lesson put you in the top range (private feedback given → no guesswork)

4) Readings and videos – assignments
   - Short and exciting readings and video clips—usually two per week
   - Additional resources for personal/professional development post-NDU

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**INFLUENCE WARFARE (FALL)**

**Lessons – TUES AFTERNOON**

- Introduction to Influence Warfare
- Foundational Narratives
- Narrative Strategy
- Influence Strategy
- Influence Tradecraft and Elections
- Influence Tools and Great Power Competition
- Tribalism – Offline and Online
- Violent Extremist and Drug Trafficking Organizations
- Guerrilla and Total War
- Social Media and Human Terrain
- Influence and Strategic Flexibility

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