
(NMgr) Programme: International Security Studies (NP_MISS)

Programme N0312A200031: International Security Studies

Academic year 2025/2026

Master in International Security provides students with a complex guide through security, conflict, strategic studies, and intelligence. Responding to the pressing agendas of the current security environment the program is administered by the team of young scholars of the Department of Security Studies.

Students will obtain theoretical and methodological training allowing them to address security issues that range from conventional conflicts and wars to unconventional agendas associated with virtual or space domains.

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Language of instruction: English

The program structure offers 4 specialisation routes and 1 cross-specialisation route:

- Security, Technology, and Society Concentration
- Strategic and War Studies Concentration
- Peace and Conflict Studies Concentration
- Global and Regional Security Concentration
- Cross-Concentration Program Route

To successfully complete the degree students will take the major theoretical and methodological courses and compulsory courses introducing each concentration. Based on their preference they will further choose among the elective and optional courses. Within the cross-concentration program route students are required to pass two elective courses from each concentration (4*12 ECTS). In case students opt for one of the concentrations they must pass 5 electives (30 ECTS) in their concentration and one elective course in each of the remaining three concentrations (3*6 ECTS).

Course structure

TOTAL CREDITS	120 credits
Compulsory courses (incl. dissertation)	60 credits
Elective courses	48 credits
Optional courses (Crisis Games, Internship, Languages, Courses from the whole university)	12 credits

Master state examination

The final state examination will consist of an oral and a written part. In the oral part, the defence of the diploma thesis will take place before an academic committee. In the written part, students answer one question from the compulsory subjects, which is designed as a theoretical and conceptual. The second question will reflect the opted specialisation.

1. (JDIP01) Thesis Defence (oral)
2. (JSZ670) Theoretical and Conceptual Foundations of Security Studies (written)
3. Specialisation part (written):
 - a. (JSZ671) Security Policies, Issues, and Threats (cross-specialisation)
 - b. (JSZ672) Strategic and War Studies (specialisation)
 - c. (JSZ673) Global and Regional Security (specialisation)
 - d. (JSZ674) Security, Technology, and Society (specialisation)
 - e. (JSZ675) Peace and Conflict Studies (specialisation)

Compulsory courses for all specializations

Group J#0240

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
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JPM561	Security in Euroatlantic Area and Global Regions	Halás	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM628	Researching International Politics: Quantitative Methods	Parízek	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM629	Researching International Politics: Qualitative Methods	Střítecký	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM693	Traditional and Critical Concepts in Security Studies	Střítecký Weinfurter	WS/SS	2/0	Examination	6
JPM694	Strategic Studies	Hynek Suchanová	WS/SS	2/0	Examination	6
JPM699	Security and Technology	Střítecký	WS/SS	2/0	Examination	6
JPM704	Approaches to Conflict and Violence	Karásek	WS/SS	2/0	Examination	6
JPM709	Diploma Thesis	Střítecký	WS/SS	0/8	Course credit	12
JPM935	Theories of International Relations	Střítecký Kazharski	SS	2/0	Examination	6

Total credits: 60

Prerequisites, corequisites, alternative and incompatible courses

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Code	Course title	Pre-requisite	Co-requisite	Interchangeability	Incompatibility
JPM628	Researching International Politics: Quantitative Methods				JPM157
JPM935	Theories of International Relations				JPM314

Elective courses Strategic and War Studies

Group J#0241 (6), J#0242 (12) , J#0243 (30)

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JPM390	Hybrid Warfare	Střítecký	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM468	Strategy Dynamics: Changing Course in Open Societies	Halás	SS	1/1	Examination	6

JPM595	Arms Control and Disarmament	Hynek Suchanová	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM613	Armed Forces and Society	Kučera	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM656	Technology and Warfare	Kučera Bahenský	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM695	War Studies	Hays II	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM696	Economic Warfare	Ludvík	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM712	Insurgency and Counterinsurgency	Aslan Ludvík	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM998	Health and Security	Bošťíková	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6

Minimum credits: 30 for students of Strategic and War Studies specialization, 6 for students of other specialization, 12 for students without specialization

Prerequisites, corequisites, alternative and incompatible courses

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Code	Course title	Pre-requisite	Co-requisite	Interchangeability	Incompatibility
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Elective courses Global and Regional Security

Group J#0244 (6), J#0245 (12), J#0246 (30)

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JPM697	Asia Security	Kolmaš	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM698	Middle East Security	Weinfurter	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM702	NATO and EU in Crisis Management	Ludvík	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM711	Russian and Post-Soviet Security	Laryš	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM772	Latin American Security	Březinová	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM773	Migration and Security	Březinová	WS	1/1	Examination	6

Minimum credits: 30 for students of Global and Regional Security specialization, 6 for students of other specialization, 12 for students without specialization

Prerequisites, corequisites, alternative and incompatible courses

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Code	Course title	Pre-requisite	Co-requisite	Interchangeability	Incompatibility
JPM697	Asia Security				JPM644
JPM711	Russian and Post-Soviet Security				JMM065

Elective courses Security, Technology and Society

Group J#0247 (6), J#0248 (12), J#0249 (30)

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
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JPM076	<u>The Far-Right Today</u>	<u>Aslan Collins</u>	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM611	<u>Cyber Security</u>	<u>Střítecký Erkomaishvili</u>	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM650	<u>Intelligence</u>	<u>Michálek</u>	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM700	<u>Space Security</u>	<u>Doboš</u>	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM923	<u>Artificial Intelligence and Security</u>	<u>Špelda</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM925	<u>Human-Artificial Intelligence Nexus</u>	<u>Špelda</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM926	<u>Sociology of Technology</u>	<u>Vostal</u>	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM999	<u>Technoscientific Imaginaries & Futures</u>	<u>Vostal</u>	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6

Minimum credits: 30 for students of Security, Technology and Society specialization, 6 for students of other specialization, 12 for students without specialization

Prerequisites, corequisites, alternative and incompatible courses

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Code	Course title	Pre-requisite	Co-requisite	Interchangeability	Incompatibility
JPM700	Space Security				JPM632

Elective courses Approaches to Conflict and Violence

Group J#025025 (6), J#025125 (12), J#025225 (30)

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JPM705	<u>Human Security</u>	<u>Hynek Suchanová</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM706	<u>Terrorism and Counterterrorism</u>	<u>Bureš Kazharski</u>	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM707	<u>Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding</u>	<u>Bureš</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM708	<u>Ethics and Violence</u>	<u>Karásek Kučera</u>	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM710	<u>Radicalization and Deradicalization</u>	<u>Aslan Collins</u>	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM924	<u>Territorial Violent Non-State Actors</u>	<u>Ludvík</u>	WS/SS	1/1	Examination	6

Minimum credits: 30 for students of Approaches to Conflicts and Violence specialization, 6 for students of other specialization, 12 for students without specialization

Prerequisites, corequisites, alternative and incompatible courses

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Code	Course title	Pre-requisite	Co-requisite	Interchangeability	Incompatibility
JPM705	Human Security				JPM559
JPM706	Terrorism and Counterterrorism			JPM554	JPM554

Recommended optional courses for all specializations

Group J#0253

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Code	Course title	Course leader	Semester	Hours per week	Course assessment	ECTS credit points
JPM485	<u>Memory Wars: How the Past Shapes Today's Global Politics</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM524	<u>Energy Security</u>	<u>Holubcová</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM634	<u>Crisis Games</u>	<u>Kučera Parízek</u>	SS	0/2	Examination	6
JPM660	<u>Internship</u>	<u>Střítecký</u>	WS/SS	0/1	Jiné	3
JPM808	<u>Understanding Israeli Security Policy: Territory, Occupations and Withdrawals</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	2/0	Examination	4
JPM814	<u>Statecraft and Grand Strategy</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM822	<u>Energy Security in Israel and the Middle East</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM831	<u>Visual Biopolitics</u>	<u>Kazharski</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	6
JPM833	<u>The Ghost that Never Vanishes: The War in Ukraine and the Renewal of the American Debate on 'Isolationism'</u>	<u>Karásek</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM835	<u>Extremism and Radicalization: Trends and Prevention</u>	<u>Kocmanová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM836	<u>Radicalisation in a Radical Europe: Critical Approaches to Contemporary (Counter)Extremism</u>	<u>Kocmanová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM838	<u>Energy Geopolitics and Security and Israeli-Arab Relations</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM839	<u>Terrorism and the Internet</u>	<u>Collins</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	4

JPM840	<u>Resolving the Israel-Palestine Conflict after October 7th 2023</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM842	<u>Technology and Social Resilience</u>	<u>Střítecký</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM857	<u>Extremism and Hooliganism in the Western Balkans</u>	<u>Kocmanová</u>	SS	0/1	Examination	4
JPM858	<u>Middle-East Terrorists and Revolutionaries</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	0/1	Examination	4
JPM859	<u>American Jews and Israel: Judaism and Jewish Responses to Israel in contemporary US</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	0/1	Examination	4
JPM863	<u>Russia in the Middle East</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM864	<u>Turbulence Across the Sea: Transatlantic Relations and Strategic Competition</u>	<u>Karásek</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM865	<u>Perspectives on Extremism</u>	<u>Karásek</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM871	<u>The development and changing dynamics of the Anglo-American special relationship — from its origins to Trump</u>	<u>Šenk</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM874	<u>International Ethics and Just Peace</u>	<u>Karásek</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM875	<u>From Conflict to Coexistence: Peace, Security, and Sovereignty in Israel/Palestine</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM876	<u>Contemporary U.S. Policy in the Middle East: Between War and Peace</u>	<u>Karásek</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	4

JPM877	<u>Digital Subcultures & Extremism</u>	<u>Collins</u>	WS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM881	<u>Israel's Security Doctrine: From Vision to Collapse</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM882	<u>The International Relations of the Middle East After October 7</u>	<u>Kalhousová</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	4
JPM884	<u>US-European Security Relations and the Question of a 'New Isolationism'</u>	<u>Karásek</u>	SS	1/1	Examination	4

Note: Student are allowed to choose language courses and courses from the whole university for fulfilling the group of optional courses.

Study plan code:

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