

International and Regional Security

Graduate Certificate 12 Credit Hours

This program is offered by the College of Arts & Sciences. It is available online and at the Athens and Geneva campuses, but it is not available at the St. Louis home campus.

For information on the general requirements for a certificate, see Certificate Program Policies and Procedures under the Academic Policies section of this catalog.

Program Description

This certificate program examines core topics in international and regional security. Students will be introduced to scholarly work on the sources of conflict, violence and security issues in the international arena, as well as literature on the resolution and mitigation of such conflicts. Students will apply theories and concepts of both interstate and intrastate conflict to important contemporary cases, and analyze the effectiveness of potential policy responses. This certificate program will prepare students for further graduate study in the fields of international relations, national security and international security, as well as related careers in the public and private sector. Where available, this certificate may be earned while completing the MA in international relations, MA in national security studies or as a stand-alone graduate certificate.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completing this certificate program, students will be able to:

- Identify and analyze the sources of international and regional political conflict.
- Identify, design and apply potential policy solutions designed to resolve or mitigate real-world conflicts.
- Apply major theories of international security to analyze real-world regional and international conflicts.

Requirements

The 12 credit hours required for the graduate certificate in international and regional security must include the following required course (3 hours) and three electives (9 hours):

- INTL 5590 International Security (3 hours)

Electives (9 credit hours)

Choose from the following courses:

- INTL 5550 War and Diplomacy (3 hours)
- INTL 5560 US Foreign Policy (3 hours)
or INTL 5570 Comparative Foreign Policy (3 hours)
- INTL 5535 International Disaster Law (3 hours)
- INTL 5585 Food and Water Security (3 hours)
- INTL 5595 Energy Security (3 hours)
- INTL 5600 Area Studies* (3 hours)
- INTL 5625 Middle East Area Studies* (3 hours)
- INTL 5635 Western European Area Studies* (3 hours)
- INTL 5645 Asian Area Studies* (3 hours)
- INTL 5655 African Area Studies* (3 hours)
- INTL 5665 South and Central Asia Area Studies* (3 hours)
- INTL 5675 Central and Eastern European Area Studies* (3 hours)
- INTL 5685 Latin American Area Studies* (3 hours)
- INTL 5860 Issues in International Politics (*with security focus*) (3 hours)
- INTL 5890 Terrorism in World Politics (3 hours)

*No more than two area studies classes can count toward the certificate.

Admission

See the Admission section of this catalog for general admission requirements. Students interested in applying must submit their application online at www.webster.edu/ apply. Transcripts should be sent from your institution electronically to transcripts@webster.edu. If this service is not available, send transcripts to:

Office of Admission
Webster University
470 E. Lockwood Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63119