The Certificate in National Security Studies is the perfect vehicle for students looking to expand their expertise and understanding of the broad range of threats to United States security in our new century. The Certificate in National Security Studies draws on experts in government, international relations, bioscience and military affairs in order to provide students with the tools to analyze threats that challenge US security, both in the realm of Homeland Security, and to American interests worldwide.

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All students must take at least one course in each of the following core areas:

**Foreign Policy**
- American National Security
- Foreign Policy in the Age of Global Terrorism
- Preserving American Security in a Dangerous World
- Threats to American's National Security: Theory and History
- Contemporary Terrorism and the American Response

**Science**
- Science and Biodefense
- The Technology of Weapons of Mass Destruction
- Science and Technology

Students must also take three additional courses (for a total of 5) from the list of courses below. Every semester we scour the offerings of all Hopkins programs in order to find the latest cutting edge courses for our students and new courses are added to the list all the time.

**Elective Courses (Select 3 courses)**

From National Security Studies:
- Crisis Management
- The Art and Practice of Intelligence
- Homeland Security: Threats, Challenges and Solutions
- Congress and Homeland Security
- Constitutional Issues in National Security

From Government:
- Defense Policy I
- Defense Policy II
- Executive Politics and Policymaking
- Contemporary Russian Politics
- American Democracy in Wartime
• International Security and American's Role in a Troubled World
• The U.S. and the European Union: Allies, Partners, or Rivals
• Constitutional Law
• The Theory and Politics of Terrorism
• Administered Homeland Security
• War, Humane Behavior, and Morality
• Bioterrorism and the Law
• Seminar in Homeland Security Administration
• America and the Globe: Critical Policy Issues
• 21st Century Conflict
• Growing Apart? America and Europe in the 21st Century
• Military Strategy and National Policy
• Western Military Thought
• Nuclear Weapons and US Foreign Policy
• Islamic Fundamentalism
• Strategy in Insurgent and Asymmetric Warfare
• Asian Politics: Challenges and Opportunities
• Public Diplomacy and Arab Public Opinion
• The Politics of Foreign Policy
• Intelligence: From Secrets to Policy
• Understanding Islamist Terrorism
• Analyzing Military Policy

From Communications:
• Politics, Language, and Culture of the Arab World
• Politics, Language, and Culture of Iran

From Advanced Biotechnology:
• Microbial Pathogens and the Impact on National Security
• Biothreat Response and Microbial Forensics
• Science, Medicine, & Policy in Biodefense

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