

MA in Security Studies SLOs

- 1) Historical perspectives on security issues. The student can find and apply information on the historical roots of particular security issues as well as similar historical cases to provide insight.
- 2) Political science approaches to security issues. The student can identify and apply general political science findings to particular security issues.
- 3) Research methodology. The student has mastered basic research methods applicable to security studies, and can find and apply the appropriate method to attack a particular problem.
- 4) Written communication. The student can summarize cases and present research results clearly and effectively in writing.

Levels of performance

Deficient: Falling below the norms of graduate student performance. Quality is more typical of an undergraduate than an MA candidate.

Acceptable: Attaining the basic levels of performance and professional competence expected of a graduate student completing an MA.

Above Average: Significantly exceeding acceptable levels of performance for a graduate student completing an MA, though not yet at the level of Ph.D candidate.

Outstanding: Characteristic of newly-minted Ph.D in the field in terms of depth and sophistication, representing perhaps the top 10% of MA students.