Course: Security Studies. Focus: Foreign and Defense Policy (87065)

Credits: 4

Tentative Schedule:
1st Year, Second Semester, Tentative Schedule 2 Lectures of 2 hours per week for 10 weeks to support Lectures, Class Exercises, Labs as well as Seminars

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Education Objectives:
Security Studies. Focus: Foreign and Defense Policy at LM/DS Engineering Technology for STRATEGOS, Strategic Engineering MSc

This course aims to illustrate the evolution of contemporary security, from the so-called “new wars” to the peace support operations and terrorism.

A specific focus will be devoted to the European security and to the Common Foreign and Security Policy of the EU, examining in details, strategies, approaches, tools and resources.

The course provides the conceptual tools to better understand the transformation of international and European security, devoting attention to the role of technology in modern warfare. Theoretical perspectives will be combined with updated empirical analyses on the evolution of security, in Europe and beyond.

Several seminars with scholars, experts and practitioners will be organized.
**Course Program & Elements:**

**Main Course**

- The evolution of security in the Post-Cold War era.
- The “new wars”
- Terrorism and counter-terrorism
- Civil wars and Counter-insurgency
- The evolution of Italian defense policy
- Public opinion and war
- Strategic narratives
- Failed states and transnational organized crime
- Technology and war
- Cyber-security

**Focus – EU security**

- Military transformation in Europe and in the EU (European Union)
- The evolution of security in Europe
- EU defense and foreign policy
- PESCO (Permanent Structured Cooperation)

**Foreign & Defense Policy**

- Case Studies on International Cases

**Teaching Approach:**

Lectures integrated by several seminars with scholars, experts and practitioners as well as case studies.

**Evaluation and Final Exam:**

Final Exam with the Teacher

**Timetable:**

To be Finalized (TBF)

**Time Zone:**

A, Genoa, Italy, GMT + 1 (solar time)
Prerequisites:

The Course does not require specific prerequisites

References:

Foundations

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• Ignazi, P., Giacomello, G., & Coticchia, F. (2012). Italian military operations abroad: just don’t call it war. Palgrave Macmillan