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COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 2012
COURSE REVISED IMPLEMENTATION DATE:
COURSE TO BE REVIEWED: December 2017
(six years after UEC approval) *(month, year)*

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Students are advised to keep course outlines in personal files for future use.
Shaded headings are subject to change at the discretion of the department – see course syllabus available from instructor

POSC 365	**Political Science**	3
COURSE NAME/NUMBER	FACULTY/DEPARTMENT	UFV CREDITS

Global Security
COURSE DESCRIPTIVE TITLE

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course will explore the major security issues in the world today. It will examine traditional diplomacy and warfare between states, as well as new security threats such as nuclear proliferation, economic dislocation, drugs, human trafficking, global pandemics, environmental damage, terrorism, piracy, state-collapse, and the re-emergence of ethnic conflicts.
Note: Students with credit for POSC 483E cannot take this course for further credit.

PREREQUISITES: POSC 260 or POSC 360
COREQUISITES: None
PRE or COREQUISITES:

SYNONYMOUS COURSE(S):
(a) Replaces: **POSC 483E**
(b) Cross-listed with:
(c) Cannot take: for further credit.

SERVICE COURSE TO: *(department/program)*

TOTAL HOURS PER TERM: **45**
STRUCTURE OF HOURS:

Lectures:	**30**	Hrs
Seminar:	**15**	Hrs
Laboratory:		Hrs
Field experience:		Hrs
Student directed learning:		Hrs
Other (specify):		Hrs

TRAINING DAY-BASED INSTRUCTION:
Length of course:
Hours per day:

OTHER:
Maximum enrolment: **28**
Expected frequency of course offerings: EVERY OTHER YEAR
(every semester, annually, every other year, etc.)

WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (lower-level courses only)	☒ Yes	☐ No
WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (upper-level requested by department)	☒ Yes	☐ No
TRANSFER CREDIT EXISTS IN BCCAT TRANSFER GUIDE:	☐ Yes	☒ No

Course designer(s): **Edward Akuffo**

Department Head:	**Hamish Telford**	Date approved:	**November 2011**
Supporting area consultation (Pre-UEC)		Date of meeting:	**November 4, 2011**
Curriculum Committee chair:	**Tetsuomi Anzai**	Date approved:	**December 9, 2011**
Dean/Associate VP:	**Jacqueline Nolte**	Date approved:	**December 9, 2011**
Undergraduate Education Committee (UEC) approval		Date of meeting:	**December 16, 2011**

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- describe the enduring theories, principles, concepts, and issues underlying the practice of security in international relations;
- describe the changing perspectives of security and the idea of global security;
- demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between theory and the practice of security at the global level;
- demonstrate a familiarity with the important literature in the field of security studies, and an ability to assess it critically;
- draw on theories and analytically develop and articulate their own perspectives on global security issues in a research paper.

METHODS: *(Guest lecturers, presentations, online instruction, field trips, etc.)*

Methods will vary with instructors but will typically include lecture, classroom discussion, video presentations, exams, and guest speakers.

METHODS OF OBTAINING PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT RECOGNITION (PLAR):

☒ Examination(s) ☐ Portfolio assessment ☐ Interview(s)

☐ Other (specify):

☐ PLAR cannot be awarded for this course for the following reason(s):

TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS: *[Textbook selection varies by instructor. Examples for this course might be:]*

Alan Collins, *Contemporary Security Studies* (Second Edition). New York: Oxford University Press, 2010.

Text may be supplemented with additional readings.

SUPPLIES / MATERIALS:

None

STUDENT EVALUATION: *[An example of student evaluation for this course might be:]*

Two critical review essays (15% each)	30%
Research paper	40%
Final exam	30%

COURSE CONTENT: *[Course content varies by instructor. An example of course content might be:]*

Week 1:	What is Security Studies?
Week 2:	From Traditional to Critical Approaches
Week 3:	Critical Approaches to Security
Week 4:	Beyond Military Dimensions of Security
Week 5:	Intelligence and coercive diplomacy
Week 6:	Weapons of Mass Destruction: ‘Hot War’ or ‘Cold War II’
Week 7:	Terrorism, Transnational Crime, Security in Cyberspace
Week 8:	Ethnic-based Conflict and Humanitarian Intervention
Week 9:	“Soft Security”: Trade and Human Rights
Week 10:	International Environmental Challenges
Week 11:	Security Implications of ‘Globalized Diseases’
Week 12:	The West vs. the Rest? What role for Canada?
Week 13:	Governing Global Security