

MILITARY STUDIES, MINOR

Requirements for a minor may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the minor. Students may not change from a campus that offers their major to a campus that does not offer their major for the purpose of completing a minor.

Program Description

This interdisciplinary minor is designed for all students with special interests in military and national security affairs. Military emphasis is provided in one of three areas—Aerospace Studies, Military Science, or Naval Science. American military forces have played an important role in our domestic and international history and will continue to have significant involvement in policy arenas relating to national security and international relations. Students elect one military service branch for their prescribed courses and select two additional courses from appropriate history and political science courses emphasizing national security policy.

Program Requirements

Requirement	Credits
Requirements for the Minor	24-27

At least 6 credits must be taken at the 400 level.

Requirements for the Minor

A grade of C or better is required for all courses in the minor, as specified by Senate Policy 59-10 (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/59-00-minors-and-certificates/#59-10>). In addition, at least six credits of the minor must be unique from the prescribed courses required by a student's major(s).

Code	Title	Credits
Prescribed Courses		
<i>Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better</i>		
Select one service branch:		18-21
<i>Air Force</i>		
AIR 151	Heritage and Values of the United States Air Force I	
AIR 152	Heritage and Values of the United States Air Force II	
AIR 252	The Evolution of USAF Air and Space Power II	
AIR 351	Leading People and Effective Communication I	
AIR 352	Leading People and Effective Communication II	
AIR 451	National Security, Leadership Responsibilities, and Commissioning Preparation I	
AIR 452	National Security, Leadership Responsibilities, and Commissioning Preparation I	
<i>Army</i>		
ARMY 101	U.S. Army Organization and Functions	
ARMY 102	The Military Profession: Leadership and Management Theory	
ARMY 203	Army Operations: Tactics and the Principles of War	
ARMY 204	Land Navigation: Topographic Maps and Orienteering	
ARMY 301	Advanced Principles of Leadership and Management	

ARMY 302	Advanced Principles of Military Leadership and Combat Operations
ARMY 401	Organizational Behaviors: Interrelationships of Directing Staffs and Staff Functions
ARMY 402	Army Personnel Management and Logistics
<i>Marines</i>	
NAVSC 101	Introduction to Naval Science
NAVSC 103	Leadership and Management
NAVSC 201	Sea Power and Maritime Affairs
NAVSC 313	Fundamentals of Maneuver Warfare
NAVSC 402	Leadership and Ethics
NAVSC 411	Evolution of Warfare
<i>Navy</i>	
NAVSC 101	Introduction to Naval Science
NAVSC 103	Leadership and Management
NAVSC 201	Sea Power and Maritime Affairs
NAVSC 202	Naval Ships Systems I—Naval Engineering
NAVSC 301	Naval Ships Systems II—Weapons
NAVSC 401	Naval Operations and Seamanship
NAVSC 402	Leadership and Ethics

Additional Courses

Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better

Select 6 credits from the following:		6
HIST 108	Crusades: Holy War in the Middle Ages	
HIST 120N	History of Modern Europe since 1789	
HIST 130	Introduction to the Civil War Era, 1848 through 1877	
HIST 142N	History of Communism	
HIST 143N	History of Fascism and Nazism	
HIST 144	The World at War: 1939-1945	
HIST 151N	Technology and Society in American History	
HIST 160	American Naval History	
HIST 161	The Battle of Gettysburg in American Historical Memory	
HIST 165	Islamic States, Societies and Cultures c. 600-1500	
HIST 173	Vietnam in War and Peace	
HIST 175	East Asia since 1800	
HIST 178	Latin-American History to 1820	
HIST 181	Introduction to the Middle East	
HIST 192	Modern African History	
HIST 420	Recent European History	
HIST 430	Eastern Europe in Modern Times	
HIST 434	History of the Soviet Union	
HIST 441	Revolutionary America, 1753-1783	
HIST 444	The United States in Civil War and Reconstruction—1850-1877	
HIST 452	History of U.S. Foreign Relations	
HIST 454	American Military History	
HIST 473	The Contemporary Middle East	
PLSC 3	Comparing Politics around the Globe	
PLSC 14	International Relations	
PLSC 20		
PLSC 22		

PLSC 413	The Rise and Fall of the Soviet Union	http://www.airforce.psu.edu
PLSC 437	War in World Politics	
PLSC 438	National Security Policies	Army ROTC
PLSC 439	The Politics of Terrorism	212 Wagner Building
PLSC 442	American Foreign Policy	University Park, PA 16802
PLSC 452	Government and Politics of Central Europe	814-863-0368
PLSC 453	Political Processes in Underdeveloped Systems	army.rotc@psu.edu
PLSC 454	Government and Politics of Africa	http://www.army.psu.edu
PLSC 455	Governments and Politics of Western Europe	Naval ROTC
PLSC 456	Politics and Institutions of Latin-American Nations	315 Wagner Building
PLSC 458	Government and Politics of East Asia	University Park, PA 16802
PLSC 467	International Relations of the Middle East	814-865-6289

Academic Advising

The objectives of the university's academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in-and out-of class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee's unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy/>)

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