

# HOMELAND SECURITY (HLS)

## HLS 101. Introduction to Homeland Security. (3 Credits)

A. Principles and practices associated with the emerging discipline of homeland security. Policies, directives, national plans, and legislation that shape and define the ongoing evolution of homeland security. Key issues including civil liberties and diversity. Relationship to public safety, private security, and national security.

## HLS 210. Cyber and Physical Security. (3 Credits)

A. Principles of cyber and physical design and application to include assessments and subsequent identification of countermeasures as well as policy development and implementation in an effort to safeguard life and critical infrastructure. Credit will not be awarded for both APS 210 and SEC 210.

## HLS 260. Disaster Preparedness & Response. (3 Credits)

A. Examines disaster preparedness and response context, concepts, theories, principles, programs and requirements. Students apply course concepts using case studies and real-world scenarios. Formerly HLS 451.

## HLS 280. Mis-, Dis-, and Malinformation. (3 Credits)

A. Examines Mis-, Dis-, and Malinformation (MDM) from a homeland security perspective. Students build skills in assessing and evaluating information from social media and other information sources.

## HLS 301. Critical Infrastructure Protection. (3 Credits)

A. Identification, prioritization, and protection of critical infrastructure including information technology, telecommunications, chemical, transportation, energy, water, medical, emergency services, postal and shipping. Impact on personal safety and economic performance.

## HLS 310. Personnel Security. (3 Credits)

(3) A. Formerly SEC 250. Examines employee and contractor integrity through background screening, security awareness, ethics programs, and audits. Analyzes special programs to protect key personnel, employees in high risk environments and workplace violence mitigation. Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for SEC 250.

## HLS 320. Security Management. (3 Credits)

A. Prerequisite: Junior or Senior standing or departmental approval. Evolution and application of traditional and current theories in leading and managing corporate and government/industrial security operations. Areas covered include management, supervision and leadership of a security organization.

## HLS 349. Applied Learning in HLS. (0.5-12 Credits)

A. Prerequisites: Department Chair approval, a minimum GPA of 2.0, a minimum of 30 hours completed. The student works under faculty and field supervisors in placements related to the student's academic studies. A minimum of 80 hours work required for each academic credit. May be retaken to a maximum of twelve hours.

## HLS 349A. HLS Cooperative Study. (1-12 Credits)

A. Prerequisites: Department Chair approval, a minimum GPA of 2.0, a minimum of 30 hours completed. The student works under faculty and field supervisors in placements related to the student's academic studies. A minimum of 80 hours work required for each academic credit. May be retaken to a maximum of twelve hours.

## HLS 349B. HLS Cooperative Study. (0.5-12 Credits)

A. Prerequisites: Department Chair approval, a minimum GPA of 2.0, a minimum of 30 hours completed. The student works under faculty and field supervisors in placements related to the student's academic studies. A minimum of 80 hours work required for each academic credit. May be retaken to a maximum of twelve hours.

## HLS 349C. HLS Cooperative Study. (0.5-12 Credits)

A. Prerequisites: Department Chair approval, a minimum GPA of 2.0, a minimum of 30 hours completed. The student works under faculty and field supervisors in placements related to the student's academic studies. A minimum of 80 hours work required for each academic credit. May be retaken to a maximum of twelve hours.

## HLS 349D. HLS Cooperative Study. (0.5-12 Credits)

A. Prerequisites: Department Chair approval, a minimum GPA of 2.0, a minimum of 30 hours completed. The student works under faculty and field supervisors in placements related to the student's academic studies. A minimum of 80 hours work required for each academic credit. May be retaken to a maximum of twelve hours.

## HLS 350. Workplace Investigations. (3 Credits)

A. Prerequisite: Junior or Senior standing or departmental approval. Overview and management of criminal, civil, administrative, and internal investigative processes in the workplace, to include interviews, reports, and ethical and legal considerations related to investigations.

## HLS 391. Risk Analysis. (3 Credits)

A. History and process of risk analysis and management as it relates to the protection of critical assets and infrastructure. Instruction in common techniques used in both the public and private sectors.

## HLS 395. Homeland Security Policy Analysis. (3 Credits)

A. Prerequisites: HLS 101, HLS 210, and HLS 260; ENG 102 or 102R or HON 102 with a minimum grade of "C" or ENG 105 with a minimum grade of "B"; and HLS major or departmental approval. Develop homeland security policy and legal research and analytic skills. Includes coverage of international and U.S federal, state and local policy and legal issues. Credit will not be awarded to students for both HLS 395 and 395W.

## HLS 395W. Homeland Sec. Policy Analysis. (3 Credits)

A. Prerequisites: HLS 101, HLS 210, and HLS 260; ENG 102 or 102R or HON 102 with a minimum grade of "C" or ENG 105 with a minimum grade of "B"; and HLS major or departmental approval. Develop homeland security policy and legal research and analytic skills. Includes coverage of international and U.S federal, state and local policy and legal issues. Credit will not be awarded to students for both HLS 395 and 395W.

## HLS 400. Evolution of the U.S. Intelligence Community. (3 Credits)

A. Evolution of the US intelligence community from the American Revolution to today.

## HLS 401. Intelligence Process. (3 Credits)

A. Key questions facing the U.S. intelligence community and its role in homeland security, national defense, and international affairs, with a focus on policy, oversight and intelligence support. Collection, analysis, sharing and dissemination of information within and between local, state, and federal government agencies and the private sector.

## HLS 402. Counterintelligence. (3 Credits)

A. History, structure and operations of the US counterintelligence community. Includes legal foundations of counterintelligence and critiques of recommended changes to the community.

## HLS 403. Intelligence Analysis. (3 Credits)

(3) A. Examines processes used at local, state and federal levels to conduct intelligence analysis and develop intelligence products. Includes advanced instruction in intelligence structured analytic techniques.

## HLS 430. Terrorism and Violent Extremism. (3 Credits)

A. Coverage of politically-motivated extremist violence in the United States. Includes discussion of definitional issues, radicalization, major attacks, current threats, and principal extremist groups and ideologies.

**HLS 435. HLS Special Topics. (3 Credits)**

A. Study of contemporary issues and special topics in homeland security. May be retaken to a maximum of twelve hours under different subtitles.

**HLS 441. Homeland Security Technology. (3 Credits)**

A. Broad overview of homeland security technology. Technology as a tool to support homeland security regardless of functional specialty. Contribution of technology to deterrence, preemption, prevention, protection, and response.

**HLS 445. HLS Field Experience. (1-12 Credits)**

A. Prerequisites: Department Chair approval, a minimum GPA of 2.0, and a minimum of 30 hours completed. This course is designed to broaden the educational experience through appropriate observational work assignments in cooperating agencies. A minimum of 80 hours of observation is required for each academic credit. May be retaken to a maximum of twelve hours.

**HLS 455. HLS Independent Study. (1-6 Credits)**

A. Prerequisites: Department Chair approval, a minimum GPA of 2.0, a minimum of 30 hours completed. Individual reading and research on a problem within the field of homeland security. Students must have independent study proposal form approved by faculty supervisor and department chair prior to enrollment. May be retaken to a maximum of six hours.

**HLS 461. Disaster Resilience. (3 Credits)**

A. Concepts, theories, principles, programs, and requirements or pre- and post-disaster hazard mitigation; governmental programs, planning and practice; hazard and threat modeling and analysis; team building; case studies; project development.

**HLS 465. Unconventional Threats and Responses. (3 Credits)**

(3) A. The course addresses concepts, theories, laws and authorities, principles, programs, and requirements associated with unconventional threats to our nation that most likely would result in mass casualties, and pose large-scale responses and cascading threats.

**HLS 491. Disaster Planning and Exercises. (3 Credits)**

(3) A. Prerequisite: HLS 260. Emergency planning requirements, methods and applications for all levels of government and business, including hazard mitigation and emergency operations planning; also considers planning for universities, colleges and secondary schools.

**HLS 495. Leadership and Ethics. (3 Credits)**

A. Prerequisite: Senior standing or departmental approval. Examines theories and practical applications of leadership and ethical decision making. Senior capstone course requiring synthesis of prior course work in homeland security.

**HLS 800. HLS and Emergency Management. (3 Credits)**

A. Organization, missions and critical issues in US homeland security and emergency management. Focuses on developing professional skills in critical thinking, policy analysis and ethics.

**HLS 810. Infrastructure Protec and Risk. (3 Credits)**

A. Foundations for providing security and resilience to the nation's critical infrastructure with an emphasis on risk management.

**HLS 820. Security Intelligence. (3 Credits)**

A. Principles of security intelligence and applications to private sector security, risk, and resilience efforts as well as operational models in an effort to safeguard physical, cyber, and human assets and to enable informed decision-making.

**HLS 830. Long-Term Disaster Resilience. (3 Credits)**

A. Explores disaster trends and problems, as well as community wide mitigation and preparedness strategies aimed at reducing the impacts of natural hazards and achieving long-term disaster resilience.

**HLS 831. Unconventional Threats and Res. (3 Credits)**

A. Formerly SSE 831. The course addresses concepts, theories, laws and authorities, principles, programs, and requirements associated with unconventional threats to our nation that most likely would result in mass casualties and pose large-scale responses and cascading threats.

**HLS 835. Intergov Rltns in Disaster Mgt. (3 Credits)**

A. Analysis of intergovernmental relations and disaster policies across all phases of emergency management with a focus on disaster response and recovery. Systems are investigated through critical thinking, case studies, and comparative analysis methodologies.

**HLS 850. Foundations of Cybersecurity M. (3 Credits)**

A. Identification and application of private sector cybersecurity management principles as well as the analysis and application of national cybersecurity policies and frameworks. Concentration on cyber intrusion prevention, response and recovery from a management perspective.