


ROBERTSON SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT
**Master of Arts (M.A.) in National
Security Studies**
Concentration in Homeland Security

Spring/Summer 2021

Academic Degree Plan

| | <u>GETTING STARTED (Required Co-requisites)</u> | <u>Hrs</u> | <u>Sem</u> | <u>Grade</u> |
|-----------|---|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| <i>or</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 501 Graduate Foundations for Government | 2 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> UNIV LIB Information Research & Resources ₁ | 0 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 511 Career Management | 0 | ___ | ___ |
| | <u>CORE COURSES (18 hours)</u> | | | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 603 Research Methods ₂ | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 604 Christian Foundations of Government ₂ | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <i>or</i> | | | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 605 Christian Ethics & the Law of Armed Conflict ₂ | | | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 625 International Relations Theory | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 641 Grand Strategy and Military Operations | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 679 National Security Affairs | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 689 U.S. Foreign Policy | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <u>CONCENTRATION COURSES (12 hours)</u> | | | |
| | <i>Select four (4) courses from the list below:</i> | | | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 601 International Relations and Cyber Politics | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 606 Social, Political and Theological Implications of Technology | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 607 Military Cyberspace Operations, Strategy & Tactics | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 608 Public Information Systems Management | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 609 Critical Infrastructure Protection and Resilience | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 642 Maritime Security | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 654 International Trafficking in Persons | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 660 Intelligence and National Security | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 662 Cybersecurity Policy & Affairs | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 677 Terrorism and Homeland Defense | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 678 Crisis/Disaster Consequences Management | 3 | ___ | ___ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> GOV 681 Intergovernmental Relations | 3 | ___ | ___ |

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ELECTIVE COURSES (6 hours)

Choose two courses

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | 3 | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | 3 | 3 | _____ | _____ |

THESIS OPTION

Optional (please speak with an Academic Advisor)⁴

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | GOV 698 | Preparing a Thesis Proposal | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | GOV 699 | Thesis | 3 | _____ | _____ |

TOTAL HOURS 36+

Graduation Requirements

Complete 36 credit hours.
 Degree must be completed within 5 years.
 Maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 .
 Only courses in which a student receives a **B - or better** will count toward a degree or certificate in the Robertson School of Government.

The limit for the number of credits accepted by Advanced Standing and transfer is forty-nine percent of total degree requirements, which for the MA in National Security Studies program is 17 credit hours.

Notes

¹Students are registered for GOV 501 based on their admissions writing sample score. Students are required to take UNIV LIB but it is waived if a student successfully completes GOV 501.

² Recommended to take during first or second semester.

³ Choose any course offered in RSG.

⁴ Thesis can be produced during final two semesters. Thesis credits of GOV 698 and GOV 699 may apply towards primary concentration.

MA students have the option of earning multiple certificates.

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE - 2 YEAR PLAN

Fall Term 1

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| GOV 501 | 2 | |
| UNIV LIB | 0 | |
| GOV 603 | 3 | |
| GOV 604 or GOV 605 | 3 | |
| Total | 6 to 8 | |

Summer Term 1

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| GOV 679 | 3 | |
| GOV 511 | 0 | |
| Concentration Course | 3 | |
| Total | 6 | |

Spring Term 2

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| Concentration Course | 3 | |
| Concentration Course | 3 | |
| GOV 698* | 3 | |
| Total | 6-9 | |

*only if Thesis option is chosen

Spring Term 1

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| GOV 625 | 3 | |
| GOV 689 | 3 | |
| Total | 6 | |

Fall Term 2

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| GOV 641 | 3 | |
| Concentration Course | 3 | |
| Total | 6 | |

Summer Term 2

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| Elective | 3 | |
| Elective | 3 | |
| GOV 699* | 3 | |
| Total | 6-9 | |

*Regent University has the right to add to or change this worksheet. This Degree Worksheet is an unofficial document.