

# Intelligence, Certificate of Proficiency

The Certificate of Proficiency in Intelligence is aimed at students pursuing a baccalaureate degree, as well as existing professionals, who are seeking to advance their career opportunities with a specialization in intelligence. The certificate is supported by an interdisciplinary national security program that prepares students and professionals to advance in public and private sector national security and investigative careers through the acquisition of subject matter expertise, intelligence gathering techniques, and analytical skills. This certificate exposes students to a wide variety of twenty-first century intelligence challenges, including critical issues regarding the proper collection, retention, use, analysis, and dissemination of intelligence. Students will also acquire specialized skills in research, writing, briefing, critical thinking, and analysis uniquely tailored to the national security and investigative fields. The Intelligence Certificate of Proficiency will provide students interested in counterterrorism, homeland security, intelligence gathering and analysis, financial crimes, foreign relations, law and politics, diplomacy, international development, business intelligence, and similar fields with the insight and skills needed to succeed in these professions.

## Program Requirements

| Code  | Title   | Credit Hours      |
|---|---|-------------------|
| <b>Total Credit Hours</b>                                   |   | <b>18</b>         |
| <b>Discipline Core Requirements</b>                         |   | <b>12 Credits</b> |
| NSS 2010  | Introduction to National Security WE                        | 3                 |
| NSS 3850  | Ethics and Intelligence                                     | 3                 |
| NSS 4300  | Intelligence Cycle and Collections                          | 3                 |
| NSS 4800  | Intelligence Analysis and Tradecraft                        | 3                 |
| <b>Elective Requirements</b>                                |   | <b>6 Credits</b>  |
| Complete 6 credits from the following:                      |   | 6                 |
| NSS 3050  | US Intelligence Community (undefined)                       |                   |
| NSS 301R  | National Security Area Studies (undefined)                  |                   |
| NSS 3750  | Advanced Technologies in National Security (undefined)      |                   |
| NSS 475R  | Current Topics in National Security (undefined)             |                   |
| CYBR 2700   | Information Security Fundamentals (undefined)               |                   |
| INFO 1120   | Information Systems and Technology Fundamentals (undefined) |                   |
| any Intelligence Studies (INTS) courses                     |   |                   |
| or other course approved by department advisor or director. |   |                   |

### Graduation Requirements

1. Completion of a minimum of 18 credits.
2. Overall Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0.
3. Completion of discipline core and electives with a C- grade or higher.
4. Residency hours -- minimum of 5 credit hours through course attendance at UVU.

## Graduation Plan

This graduation plan is a sample plan and is intended to be a guide. Your specific plan may differ based on your Math and English placement and/or transfer credits applied. You are encouraged to meet with an advisor and set up an individualized graduation plan in Wolverine Track (<http://www.uvu.edu/wolverinetrack/>).

### First Year

| Semester 1          |                                      | Credit Hours |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| NSS 2010            | Introduction to National Security WE | 3            |
| NSS 3850            | Ethics and Intelligence              | 3            |
| Elective            |                                      | 3            |
| <b>Credit Hours</b> |                                      | <b>9</b>     |
| Semester 2          |                                      |              |
| NSS 4300            | Intelligence Cycle and Collections   | 3            |
| NSS 4800            | Intelligence Analysis and Tradecraft | 3            |

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|---------------------------|-----------|
| Elective                  | 3         |
| <b>Credit Hours</b>       | <b>9</b>  |
| <b>Total Credit Hours</b> | <b>18</b> |

## Program Learning Outcomes

1. Discuss critical issues regarding the collection, retention, use, analysis, and dissemination of Intelligence.
2. Demonstrate analytical thinking and reasoning, professional writing, and public speaking and presenting skills.
3. Apply both theoretical and practical approaches to complex intelligence issues, employing appropriate context to a decision-making framework.
4. Develop technical and analytical skills that complement professional expertise across a broad array of disciplines.