

Asia Pacific Security

Modular value: 40 credits

Duration: All Year

Teaching: 2 hour weekly seminars

Lecturer: Dr David Norman

The aim of this course is to provide students with a Masters level knowledge of the contemporary security issues in the Asia Pacific region, and with an advanced understanding of the nature of security itself.

The first part of the module will examine key aspects of security theory, from realism and constructivism, to critical security and human security. The module then examines the principal dynamics of Asia-Pacific security from the cold war to the present, by focusing in particular upon: regional institutions, US hegemony, the rise of China, the war on terror, and the importance of the 'new' security agenda in the region.

On successful completion on the module, students will demonstrate an ability to:

- Examine and analyse different interpretations of security and theories related to them
- Understand the key security issues in the region
- Apply their knowledge of theory to empirical research.

Assessment

- Term one 1 x 3000 word essay 30%
- Term Two 1 x 3000 word essay 30%
- Term three 2 hour examination 40%

You may be interested in these modules:

- 20 credits - [Security Studies \(/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/modules/security-studies.aspx\)](/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/modules/security-studies.aspx)
- 40 credits - [European Security \(/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/modules/european-security.aspx\)](/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/modules/european-security.aspx)

You may be interested in these degrees:

- [International Relations \(Contemporary Asia Pacific\) \(/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/international-relations-contemporary-asia-pacific.aspx\)](/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/international-relations-contemporary-asia-pacific.aspx)
- [International Relations \(Security\) \(/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/international-relations-security.aspx\)](/postgraduate/courses/taught/govsoc/international-relations-security.aspx)