

INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

(PCS 823) - CHs: 3.0

1. **Course objectives:** In contemporary times, there is a growth of traditional as well as non-traditional security threats. This course analyzes the forces--political, economic, cultural, military technological, demographic, and environmental that shape security problems, and provides a historical overview of the changing security landscape. In addition, the course examines security problems - past, present, and emerging - on a region-by-region basis, looking at Europe, Asia, the Middle East, Africa, and Latin America. Finally, the course assesses current trends and the prospects for stability and security in the international system.

2. **Outcomes:** Students should be able to

- a. Comprehend contemporary security terminologies.
- b. Understand and analyze traditional and non-traditional security threats faced by countries in different regions of the world.
- c. Develop an understanding of prospects for peace, security and stability at international levels.

3. **Contents**

- a. Theoretical understanding of security e.g. traditional vs. non-traditional security
- b. Historical analysis of big wars and the Cold War
- c. Inter-state conflicts
- d. Intra-state conflicts
- e. Terrorism and asymmetric warfare
- f. Transnational crimes
- g. Human security
- h. Future of international security

4. **Reference Material**

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