Establishment Educational Skill Requirements
Naval Strategy
Subspecialty 2300
Curriculum 680

1. Curriculum Number: 680 (Politico-Military Affairs)

2. Institutions: Curricula are taught at approved civilian institutions

3. Funding: Students are fully funded through the Advanced Education Quota Plan

4. Curriculum length in months: 12-24 (As approved by quota plan)

5. Month(s) the program starts: Variable

6. Academic Profile Code (APC) Required: N/A (Grade Point Average required for admission as required by applicable civilian institution)

7. Billet Coding: Community Managers have agreed to allow billets to be coded for Naval Strategy (2300) and officers to be educated for this curriculum.

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8. Budget Submitting Offices have agreed to allow billets to be coded for Naval Strategy and are listed in enclosure (7). Officers requesting consideration for the Politico-Military Master’s and Arthur S. Moreau programs are required to obtain concurrence from their Communities via detailer endorsement (see OPNAVINST 1500.72 series).
9. Specific Educational Skill Requirements for 680 curriculum (Pol-Mil Affairs): Graduates in this general field will have an understanding of U.S. policy objectives and the role of foreign policy in achieving them. Concentration in public policy, international relations, and law and diplomacy are equally qualifying in this area of general political science. As a generalist, the student should have some exposure to each of the following areas:

a. Basic Graduate-Level Skills

(1) Conduct Research: Assemble information from the full range of data sources to understand international political, economic, and military issues.

(2) Analyze Problems: Frame issues as research questions; logically combine evidence and theory to analyze and explain international political, economic, and military developments; and formulate innovative solutions to strategic problems.

(3) Communicate Information: Clearly summarize large quantities of information and persuasively present positions and courses of action using a broad range of verbal and written communications formats, including short oral arguments, visual briefs, policy memos, position papers, and comprehensive student theses.

b. General Political Science, International Relations, and Security Studies

(1) International Relations: Fundamentals of relations between states, including theories of international politics, causes and consequences of wars, origins of alliances, and the roles of international organizations.

(2) Diplomatic History: Origins and development of diplomatic relations between the countries of the world, including negotiations of peace settlements, military alliances, arms limitation agreements, economic arrangements, and human rights accords.

(3) International Economy: Economic factors that shape the international security environment, including the economic dimensions of national security policy and the ways in which economic policies and interests affect military strategy and force structure.


(1) U.S. Security Policy: Formulation and execution of U.S. foreign and national security policy, including interaction among the executive departments/agencies, and between them and the legislative branch of government in strategy, policy, and budget decisions.

(3) Public Management and Organization: Theory and practice of management in the public sector, including strategies and tactics of executive branch management and reorganization and problems of leadership in civilian agencies, including Congress.

(4) Current Issues: Major security issues in the world including political and military conflicts, insurgencies and terrorism, social and economic problems, and the evolving world situation.

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