


**ROBERTSON SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT**

**Master of Arts (M.A.) in National  
Security Studies**  
***Concentration in Indo-Pacific Politics***  
 Spring/Summer 2023 Academic Degree  
Plan

		<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>
<b><u>GETTING STARTED (Required Co-requisites)</u></b>				
<i>or</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 501 Graduate Foundations of Government	2	—
	<input type="checkbox"/>	UNIV LIB Information Research & Resources <sub>1</sub>	0	—
<b><u>CORE COURSES (24 hours)</u></b>				
	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 603 Research Methods	3	—
	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 604 Christian Foundations of Government	3	—
	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 605 Christian Ethics & the Law of Armed Conflict <sub>2</sub>	3	—
	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 625 International Relations Theory	3	—
	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 627 Conflict and Conflict Resolution	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	—
<b><u>CONCENTRATION COURSES (12 hours)</u></b>				
	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 642 Maritime Security	3	—
	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 644 South and Southeast Asian Politics	3	—
	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 676 Politics of East Asia	3	—
<i>or</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 645 U.S.-China Relations	3	—
	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 672 Islamic Political Thought	3	—
<b><u>THESIS OPTION (6 hours)</u></b>				
<i>Optional (Please speak with an Academic Advisor)</i>				
	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 698 Preparing a Thesis Proposal	3	—
	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 699 Thesis	3	—
		<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>36+</b>	

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**Graduation Requirements**

Complete 36-38 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 C 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.

MA students have the option of earning multiple certificates.

**Notes**

<sup>1</sup> Students are registered for GOV 501 based on their admissions writing sample score. Students are required to take UNIV LIB but will be waived if a student successfully completes GOV 501.

<sup>2</sup> Recommended to take during first or second semester.

<sup>3</sup> Thesis can be produced during a student's final two semesters. Thesis credits of GOV 698 and GOV 699 may apply towards primary concentration.

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**SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE - 2 YEAR PLAN\***

**Spring Term 1**

GOV 501 or UNIV LIB	0-2
GOV 603	3
GOV 604	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>6 to 8</b>

**Summer Term 1**

GOV 642	3
GOV 679	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>

**Fall Term 1**

GOV 625	3
GOV 641	3
GOV 644	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>

**Spring Term 2**

GOV 627	3
GOV 676	3
GOV 689	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>

**Summer Term 2\***

GOV 699*	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>

**Fall Term 2**

GOV 605	3
GOV 645 or GOV 672	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>

**\*only if thesis option is chosen**

\*Alternative sequences may be available. Please confirm with your SEP and the Course Planning Tool for additional information and contact Academic Advising with any questions or concerns.

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