National Security & Strategic Analysis
Undergraduate Certificate

The transcribed undergraduate certificate in National Security and Strategic Analysis (NSSA) is an interdisciplinary certificate designed to prepare students for careers in national security within the U.S. Intelligence Community (IC) and other governmental agencies, national and international business companies, policy think tanks and non-governmental organizations (NGO)s worldwide. The primary focus is on learning analysis methods used by governmental and NGOs for strategic planning, policy setting, and decision making. This interdisciplinary effort integrates techniques and methodology of information collection and data and policy analysis with diverse knowledge. The process uses knowledge such as national and international political movements, social and demographic trends, climate and environmental stresses, technology, and policy for weapons of mass destruction & nonproliferation issues.

NSSA students will gain expertise in their major area and apply it to develop:

• knowledge about intelligence and strategic analysis institutions
• skills in analysis methods and strategic forecasting
• writing and briefing skills related to national security issues
• knowledge about intelligence policy and technical areas relating to national security
• an ability to apply advanced analysis to national security policy, science, and engineering

NSSA certificates may be earned by UNM students also earning an undergraduate degree at the same time, or there is a post baccalaureate option for recent graduates.

Official certificate requirements may be found in the University College portion of the UNM Catalog (*catalog.unm.edu*) or by visiting *nssp.unm.edu*

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