

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy (Advanced Study Seminar)

Title	Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy (Advanced Study Seminar)
Semester	F2024
Master programme in	Global and Development Studies / International Politics and Governance / Samfundsjura
Type of activity	Course
Teaching language	English
Study regulation	Read about the Master Programme and find the Study Regulations at ruc.dk

REGISTRATION AND STUDY ADMINISTRATIVE

	You register for activities through stads selvbetjening during the announced registration period, which you can see on the Study administration homepage .
Registration	When registering for courses, please be aware of the potential conflicts and overlaps between course and exam time and dates. The planning of course activities at Roskilde University is based on the recommended study programmes, which should not overlap. However, if you choose optional courses and/or study plans that goes beyond the recommended study programmes, an overlap of lectures or exam dates may occur depending on which courses you choose.
Number of participants	
ECTS	10
Responsible for the activity	Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk)
Head of study	Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk)
Teachers	
Study administration	
Exam code(s)	U60676
ACADEMIC CONTENT	

Overall objective	<p>A specialisation course aims to allow students to immerse themselves in the theories/theory lines and empirical issues pertaining to a particular subject area. The course equips students to competently select and argue for the applicability and relevance of a theory/theory line to given issues. The courses offered are based on the Institute's research in the field and knowledge of the highest international standard. The specific subject area of the courses will be described in the activity description.</p> <p>Advanced Study Seminars offers students insight for instance into how international politics impacts governance, how governance impacts politics, and what this means for the ability of international institutions, governments, and other organizations to help address current issues such as climate, environment, security, digitalization, and public health.</p> <p>To explore how major states and other relevant actors think about and formulate grand strategy when they conduct foreign policy.</p>
Detailed description of content	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grand strategy and strategic culture 2. Grand strategy and the relevant actors: From major states to other political entities 3. Theories on foreign policy and on foreign policymaking 4. Foreign policy: International and domestic variables 5. US strategic culture and US foreign policy priorities 6. Chinese strategic culture and foreign policy priorities 7. Indian strategic culture and foreign policy priorities 8. Russian strategic culture and foreign priorities 9. EU: no grand strategy, but elements of a foreign policy 10. Denmark: grand strategy or just foreign policy? 11. BRICS: a coalition of grand strategies? 12. Creating grand strategy: a case 'stress-test'
Course material and Reading list	<p>Gaddis, J. L. (2019). On grand strategy. Penguin.</p> <p>Neumann, I. B., & Heikka, H. (2005). Grand strategy, strategic culture, practice: The social roots of Nordic defence. <i>Cooperation and conflict</i>, 40(1), 5-23.</p> <p>Borgwardt, E., Nichols, C. M., & Preston, A. (Eds.). (2021). <i>Rethinking American Grand Strategy</i>. Oxford University Press.</p>
Overall plan and expected work effort	
Format	

Evaluation
and feedback
Programme
ASSESSMENT

Overall
learning
outcomes

- Be able to explain and evaluate, using relevant terminology, the advantages and disadvantages of various theories/theory lines within the aspect of a subject area that is dealt with in the specialisation course
- Be able to confidently and independently evaluate, select and apply relevant theories in relation to an issue
- Be able to reflect critically on the relevance of the topic to the subject matter of the course
- Carry out analyses on a scientific basis and deal in a creative and solution-oriented manner with central issues within the course theme
- Communicate knowledge in language that is technically precise, well-structured and well-argued.

Individual written take-home assignment.

Form of
examination

The character limit of the assignment is: 16,800-24,000 characters, including spaces.
The character limit includes the cover, table of contents, bibliography, figures and other illustrations, but exclude any appendices.
The duration of the take-home assignment is 7 days and may include weekends and public holidays.

Form of Re-
examination
Type of
examination
in special
cases
Examination
and

Assessment: 7-point grading scale.
Samme som ordinær eksamen / same form as ordinary exam

assessment

criteria

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Course days:

Hold: 1

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy

time 09-02-2024 10:15 til
09-02-2024 12:00
forberedelsesnorm ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP ikke valgt
location 11.1-047 - studiesal (40)
Teacher Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk)

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy

time 22-02-2024 12:15 til
22-02-2024 14:00
location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)
Teacher Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk)

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy

time 29-02-2024 12:15 til
29-02-2024 14:00
location 07.2-061 - undervisningslokale (30)
Teacher Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy

time 07-03-2024 12:15 til
07-03-2024 14:00
location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)
Teacher Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy

time 14-03-2024 12:15 til
14-03-2024 14:00
forberedelsesnorm ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP ikke valgt
location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)
Teacher Jonas Haarder (jhaarder@ruc.dk)

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy

time 21-03-2024 12:15 til
21-03-2024 14:00
forberedelsesnorm ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP ikke valgt
location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)
Teacher Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy

time 04-04-2024 12:15 til
04-04-2024 14:00
location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)
Teacher Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk)

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy

time 11-04-2024 12:15 til
11-04-2024 14:00
location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)
Teacher Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy

time 18-04-2024 12:15 til
18-04-2024 14:00
location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)
Teacher Gorm Rye Olsen (gormrye@ruc.dk)

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy

time 22-04-2024 08:15 til
22-04-2024 10:00
forberedelsesnorm ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP ikke valgt
location 07.1-061 - undervisningslokale (30)
Teacher Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk)

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy

time 02-05-2024 12:15 til
02-05-2024 14:00
location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)
Teacher Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk)

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy

time 16-05-2024 12:15 til
16-05-2024 14:00
location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)
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Matthew Jon Spaniol (matt@ruc.dk)

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy - Exam

time 07-06-2024 10:00 til
14-06-2024 10:00
forberedelsesnorm ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP ikke valgt

Grand Strategy and Foreign Policy - Reexam

time 22-08-2024 10:00 til
29-08-2024 10:00
forberedelsesnorm ikke valgt
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP ikke valgt