

# Managing security (Advanced Study Seminar)

Title	Managing security (Advanced Study Seminar)
Semester	E2024
Master	Global and Development Studies / International Politics and Governance / programme in Politik og Forvaltning
Type of activity	Course
Teaching language	English
Study regulation	Read about the Master Programme and find the Study Regulations at <a href="#">ruc.dk</a>

## 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

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Teachers

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Exam code(s) U60385

## 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>
Detailed description of content	<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>This Advanced Seminar focuses on security challenges in the 21st century and how intergovernmental organisations address these. The course analyses these institutions' decision-making, implementation and management of policies related to security matters. The seminar recurs on the three mandatory courses and analyses the impact of changing international balances of power and the role of institutions and international civil servants to approach these security issues.</p>
Course material and Reading list	<p>Mixing 'classics' and latest litt. Classics would include: David Singer, Robert Jervis, Jack Snyder, Stephan Walt etc.</p>
Overall plan and expected work effort	<p>Classes: The course consists of lectures, but students are expected to actively participate by asking questions and contribute to class discussions</p> <p>Preparation: As part of the course, the student is expected to prepare for classes by reading assigned texts for the given session. Teachers in turn pledge to make use of the students' preparation in the teaching.</p> <p>The course is 10 ECTS, which total 270 hours.</p> <p>Class attendance 13*90 min = 19,5 hours</p> <p>Preparation for class 13*16 hours = 208 hours</p> <p>Exam preparation = 41,5 hours</p>

Exam = 1 hour

Format

Evaluation and feedback The course is evaluated this semester. The students will be asked to evaluate mid-term and by the end of the activity according to the [evaluation practice of the study board](#)

Sessions (provisional):

- 1) Managing Global Collective Security – From the League of Nations to the UN (Klaas)
- 2) Managing Regional Collective Security – From the Concert of Europe to the OSCE (Klaas)
- 3) Balance of Power – Origins and understandings (Laust)
- 4) Balancing behaviour – The Basics: theoretical expectations, structural conditions and regional trends (Michael)
- 5) Military Alliances – Designs, drivers & dilemma's (Michael)
- 6) Managing Alliances – Burden sharing, joint capabilities and access for membership (Michael)
- 7) Managing Internal balancing and International Collaboration – Sharing Secrets & Swords (Michael)
- 8) Crisis Diplomacy – Managing Conflict Escalation (Laust)
- 9) Crisis Diplomacy – Managing Conflict De-escalation (Laust)
- 10) Navigating Power Asymmetries in Alliances and Collective Security Arrangements – Small State perspectives (Laust el. Michael)
- 11) Managing civil wars – The role of intergovernmental organizations and major powers (Gorm)
- 12) Managing New Security Challenges – Countering Cyber and Hybrid Warfare (Laust el. Michael)

13) Mapping Power and Managing Threats – Bean counting, Net Assessment & Deciphering Doctrine (Michael)

**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 oral exam with time for preparation.

Time for preparation including time to pick a question by drawing lots: 25 minutes.

Form of examination

Time allowed for exam including time used for assessment: 25 minutes.

Permitted support and preparation materials: All (only notes written during the preparation may be brought into the exam).

Assessment: 7-point grading scale.

Moderation: Internal co-assessor.

Form of Re-examination

Samme som ordinær eksamen / same form as ordinary exam

Type of examination in special cases

Explain core terminology and theories from international politics on states management of existential security issues.

Describe trends in international, regional and national security management approaches and relate them to core terminology and theories from international politics.

Examination  
and  
assessment  
criteria

Analyze the political dynamics of contemporary existential security challenges such as great power confrontations and gauge impacts on international, regional and national security management approaches.

Demonstrate ability to apply theories from international politics on the dynamics of contemporary developments in collective security arrangements and military alliance.

See draft here.

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## **Course days:**

**Hold: 1**

### **Managing Security (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 12-09-2024 12:15 til  
12-09-2024 14:00

location 22.2-009 - undervisningslokale (56)

Teacher Klaas Dykmann ( dykmann@ruc.dk )

### **Managing Security (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 19-09-2024 12:15 til  
19-09-2024 14:00

location 22.2-009 - undervisningslokale (56)

Teacher Klaas Dykmann ( dykmann@ruc.dk )

## **Managing Security (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 26-09-2024 12:15 til  
26-09-2024 14:00

location 03.1-ne01 - auditorie c (50)

Teacher Laust Schouenborg ( lausts@ruc.dk )

## **Managing Security (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 03-10-2024 12:15 til  
03-10-2024 14:00

location 22.2-009 - undervisningslokale (56)

Teacher Michael Friederich Kluth ( kluth@ruc.dk )

## **Managing Security (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 10-10-2024 12:15 til  
10-10-2024 14:00

location 22.2-009 - undervisningslokale (56)

Teacher Michael Friederich Kluth ( kluth@ruc.dk )

## **Managing Security (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 17-10-2024 12:15 til  
17-10-2024 14:00

location 03.1-ne01 - auditorie c (50)

Teacher Michael Friederich Kluth ( kluth@ruc.dk )

## **Managing Security (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 24-10-2024 12:15 til  
24-10-2024 14:00

location 22.2-009 - undervisningslokale (56)

Teacher Laust Schouenborg ( lausts@ruc.dk )

## **Managing Security (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 31-10-2024 12:15 til  
31-10-2024 14:00

location 03.1-ne01 - auditorie c (50)

Teacher Laust Schouenborg ( lausts@ruc.dk )

## **Managing Security (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 07-11-2024 12:15 til  
07-11-2024 14:00  
location 03.1-ne01 - auditorie c (50)  
Teacher Michael Friederich Kluth ( kluth@ruc.dk )

## **Managing Security (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 14-11-2024 12:15 til  
14-11-2024 14:00  
location 03.1-ne01 - auditorie c (50)  
Teacher Gorm Rye Olsen ( gormrye@ruc.dk )

## **Managing Security (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 28-11-2024 12:15 til  
28-11-2024 14:00  
location 03.1-ne01 - auditorie c (50)  
Teacher Gorm Rye Olsen ( gormrye@ruc.dk )

## **Managing Security (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 05-12-2024 12:15 til  
05-12-2024 14:00  
location 03.1-ne01 - auditorie c (50)  
Teacher Michael Friederich Kluth ( kluth@ruc.dk )

## **Managing Security - exam (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 16-01-2025 08:15 til  
17-01-2025 18:00  
forberedelsesnorm ikke valgt  
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP ikke valgt

## **Managing Security - reexam (GDS, IPG, PF)**

time 11-02-2025 08:15 til  
11-02-2025 18:00  
forberedelsesnorm ikke valgt  
forberedelsesnorm D-VIP ikke valgt

