



Hellenic National
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**Senior Course on Defense Studies:
International Senior Course in Applied Strategy and Defense Diplomacy
(Sep 9-Dec 3, 2021)**

			Cycle 1: Research Methodology, Critical Thinking in Strategic Studies (RMCT 1-4)			
<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>	<i>SATUR.</i>	<i>SUNDAY</i>
Sep.06	Sep. 7	Sep. 8	Sep. 9	Sep. 10	Sep. 11	Sep.12
			<p><u>RMCT 1</u> In – processing (Orientation, IT, administrative instructions)</p> <p>Introduction to writing at M-level: -Exploring challenges and expectations -Identifying a research question: creating a research space Methodological considerations</p> <p><u>Ice Breaking</u> (19:00-22:00h) (at the Hellenic Armed Forces' Officers Club/LAED)</p>	<p><u>RMCT 2</u> Engaging in a literature review: - Synthesizing knowledge - Developing a critical stance: identifying assumptions/ acknowledging alternative perspectives - Contribution to knowledge: producing a new or useful insight</p>		<p>Visit to Acropolis Archeological Site-Acropolis Museum</p>

Cycle 1. (Cont)		Cycle 2:Thucydidean Approach to Applied Strategy (TAAS 1-8)				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATUR.	SUNDAY
Sep. 13	Sep. 14	Sep. 15	Sep.16	Sep. 17	Sep. 18	Sep. 19
<p>RMCT 3 Identifying the functions and qualities of academic writing:- Description, analysis and evaluation - Academic integrity: understanding referencing - Identifying appropriate literature: what makes a source credible?</p>	<p>RMCT 4 Principles of Critical Thinking - Bloom's taxonomy - Comprehension exercises - Creative thinking and Visualization</p>	<p>TAAS-1 Theory, War and Strategy</p>	<p>TAAS-2 Thucydides and the War</p>	<p>TAAS-3 Thucydides and the War</p>	<p>TTW 1 Theatre Training Workshop</p>	
Cycle2:Thucydidean Approach to Applied Strategy (TAAS 1-8) Cont.						
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATUR.	SUNDAY
Sep. 20	Sep.21	Sep.22	Sep.23	Sep.24	Sep. 25	Sep.26
<p>TAAS-4 Geopolitics</p>	<p>TAAS-5 Clausewitz and the War</p>	<p>TAAS 6 Power</p>	<p>TAAS 7 Airpower (class held at H.A.F. museum)</p>	<p>TAAS 8 Seapower (class held at Georgios Averof Armored Cruiser floating museum)</p>		<p>TTW 2 Theatre Training Workshop</p>
Cycle 3: Managing Maritime Security Threats (MMST) (Field Study Trip 1)						
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATUR.	SUNDAY
Sep.27	Sep.28	Sep.29	Sep.30	Oct. 1	Oct.2	Oct.3
<p>Departure to Crete Visit to NMIOTC -The Maritime System -Transnational Organizations -Multinational Responses -Defending the Global Commons</p>	<p>NMIOTC NATO Intelligence Cycle of Maritime Security Operations Visit to Souda Naval Base</p>	<p>NMIOTC Evidence collection principles in Maritime Security Operations Visit to NATO Missile Firing</p>	<p>Visit to Knossos Archaeological site and museum Visit to Heracleon Archaeological museum</p>	<p>NMIOTC NATO's Alliance policy and decision making process NATO's Alliance partnership and cooperation programs NATO's Alliance concept</p>		

		Installation (NAMFI) and Air Defence Center of Excellence		NATO Operational Planning Process Visit to 115 CW Departure to Athens		
Cycle 4: Strategic Leadership (SL 1-5)						
<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>	<i>SATUR.</i>	<i>SUNDAY</i>
Oct. 4	Oct. 5	Oct. 6	Oct. 7	Oct. 8	Oct.9	Oct. 10
<u>SL-1</u> Theories of Leadership and Military Leadership	<u>SL-2</u> Theories of Charismatic and Transformational Leadership	<u>SL-3</u> Theories of War and Ethics	<u>SL-4</u> Theories-views regarding PTSD and War	<u>SL-5</u> Theories of Religion and Military Leadership		Visit to archeological site of Apollo Oracle , at Delphi .
Cycle 5: Applied International Relations & Foreign Policy (AIRFP 1-10)						
<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>	<i>SATUR.</i>	<i>SUNDAY</i>
Oct. 11	Oct.12	Oct. 13	Oct.14	Oct. 15	Oct. 16	Oct. 17
<u>AIRFP-1</u> The Modern Structure of the International System:UN, NATO (and Global Partners), EU (and CFSP)	<u>AIRFP-2</u> Aspects of Diplomacy (Economic, Military, Energy) Secessionism,- National Minorities	<u>AIRFP-3</u> Issues of National Security: Immigration, Environment, Energy etc. Visit to Joint Coordinating Center of Search and Rescue)	<u>AIRFP-4</u> International Law of the Sea Exclusive Economic Zone	<u>AIRFP-5</u> The Structure of Peaceful Relations: International Justice System of Settlement of International disputes Recent Case Law on Palestine /USA, Iran /USA, Ukraine /Russia, Georgia /Russia,Philippines /China, Chagos Islands Opinion, Maritime Delimitation and Law of the Sea	<u>TTW3</u> Theatre Training Workshop	

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Oct. 18	Oct. 19	Oct. 20	Oct. 21	Oct. 22	Oct. 23	Oct. 24
AIRFP-6 General Principles of Foreign Policy “Soft” vs “Hard” Power, “Smart” Power	AIRFP-7 Great Power Politics 1 (USA, Russia, China)	AIRFP-8 Great Power Politics 2 (USA, Russia, China)	AIRFP-9 Introduction to Islam The Islamic Caliphate	AIRFP-10 Asymmetric Threats and Cyber Warfare	Visit to National Archaeological museum	
Cycle 6: Cultural Awareness-Negotiations and Defense Diplomacy (CANDD)						
<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>	<i>SATUR.</i>	<i>SUNDAY</i>
Oct. 25	Oct. 26	Oct. 27	Oct. 28	Oct. 29	Oct. 30	Oct. 31
DD-1 Main Actors	DD-2 Areas and Instruments	DD-3 Modes of Practice	National Day (No Class-Research)	N-1 Negotiation’s Theory I. Preparation of Negotiations		TTW3 Theatre Training Workshop
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Nov. 1	Nov. 2	Nov. 3	Nov. 4	Nov. 5	Nov. 6	Nov. 7
N-2 Negotiations Theory II: Strategic Conflict Management/ Negotiating Strategies-Tactics	N-3 Negotiations Theory Synthesis/ Negotiation Exercise	DD-4 The Role, Goals and Tasks of Defense Diplomacy	DD-5 Cultural Awareness (Exercise)	DD-6 Cultural Awareness (Exercise)		Sailing trip to Hydra-Poro-Aigina
Cycle 7: Regional Studies (RS 1-10)						
<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>	<i>SATUR.</i>	<i>SUNDAY</i>
Nov. 8	Nov. 9	Nov. 10	Nov. 11	Nov. 12	Nov. 13	Nov. 14
Block I. The Middle East and North Africa and South East Mediterranean (MENA-SEM) (RS 1 – 5)						
RS-1 Historical Development till	RS-2 The Age of	RS-3 From 19 th c.	RS-4 The Arab-Israeli	RS-5 From 1990 until		Visit to Mycenae, Arc haeological

Middle & Early Modern Ages	Empires	until the Days of Independence	Conflict & Peace Process	Today		sites and Ancient theatre of Epidaurus, and Nafplion
Cycle 7: Regional Studies (RS 1-10) Cont.						
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Nov. 15	Nov. 16	Nov. 17	Nov. 18	Nov. 19	Nov. 20	Nov. 21
Block II. Southeast Europe (RS 6-10)						
<u>RS-6</u> European Union: An Introduction to the best practice model of Regional Integration	<u>RS-7</u> South East Europe: An Overview. East Southeast Europe: Focus: Romania and Bulgaria	<u>RS-8</u> East Southeast Europe I: Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia, Serbia, Montenegro, Kosovo, Albania, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	<u>RS-9</u> Eastern Europe Focus I: Russia, Ukraine, the Caucasus Region, Turkey	<u>RS-10</u> Eastern Europe Focus II: Russia, Ukraine, the Caucasus Region, Turkey	<u>TTW 5</u> Theatre Training Workshop	Hellenic Armed Forces Day
Cycle 8: Introduction to Peace Support Operations (PSO 1-3) (Field Study Trip 2)						
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Nov.22	Nov.23	Nov.24	Nov.25	Nov.26	Nov. 27	Nov. 28
Departure from Athens by bus Visits to Thermopylae, 1st Army HQs and	<u>PSO-1</u> <u>SJWC</u> -Introduction to UN Peacekeeping	<u>PSO-2</u> <u>SJWC</u> -NATO STRATCOM Policy	<u>PSO-3</u> <u>MPSOTC</u> -NATO PA Policy /Media Awareness	Visit to Archeological Museum of Vergina (Macedonian		

<p>EL.EU HQ Arrival at Thessaloniki.</p>	<p>-UN Security Council Mandates for Peacekeeping -Legal Framework for UN Peacekeeping -Civil and Child Protection, Sexual Exploitation and Abuse</p>	<p>-Digital Environment Assessment -Hybrid Warfare Visit to NATO Rapid Deployable Corps, Greece</p>	<p>-NATO CIMIC Doctrine (CIMIC and Social Environment IO's, NGO's, GO's, Liaison) - Working with Language Assistance Visit to 71st Airborne Division</p>	<p>Royal Tombs) Departure from Thessaloniki by bus</p>		
<p>Cycle 9: Countering the Changing Threat of International Terrorism (CIT 1-4)</p>						
<p><i>MONDAY</i></p>	<p><i>TUESDAY</i></p>	<p><i>WEDNESDAY</i></p>	<p><i>THURSDAY</i></p>	<p><i>FRIDAY</i></p>	<p><i>SATUR.</i></p>	<p><i>SUNDAY</i></p>
<p>Nov.29</p>	<p>Nov.30</p>	<p>Dec. 1</p>	<p>Dec. 2</p>	<p>Dec. 3</p>	<p>Dec. 4</p>	<p>Dec. 5</p>
<p><u>CIT-1</u> -What is Terrorism? History and Understanding of the phenomenon of Terrorism. -Terrorist Movements: a Profile of Terrorists and Their Organizations/ Tactics Major Projects Presentation</p>	<p><u>CIT-2</u> -What makes a Terrorist? -Understanding Religious Terrorism: Terror mandated by God -The rise of AL-QAEDA & ISIS and the impact of 9/11: The Strategy of the 'War on Terrorism' Major Projects Presentation</p>	<p><u>CIT-3</u> -Addressing Islamic Fundamentalism in the Caucasus: The Russian Government response to the threat of Terrorism -The Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Nightmare: Can WMD Terrorists be Pre-empted? -Cyber-Terrorism in the 21st century: How real is the Threat?</p>	<p><u>CIT-4</u> Mission Design Exercise Course Conclusive Feedback Alumni Brief Out-processing</p>	<p>Graduation Day/Official Ceremony (Hellenic Armed Forces' Officers Club/LAED)</p>		

		-Future prospects for Defeating Terrorism: Managing the Threat Major Projects Presentation				
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