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| **Hellenic National Defence General Staff** |  | **Hellenic National** **Defence College** |

**Senior Course on Defence Studies:**

**International Senior Course in Applied Strategy and Defence Diplomacy**

**(Sep 15 - Dec 9, 2022)**

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|  | **Cycle 1: Research Methodology, Critical Thinking in Strategic Studies (RMCT 1-4)** |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Sep.12 | Sep. 13 | Sep. 14 | Sep. 15 | Sep. 16 | Sep. 17 | Sep.18 |
|  |  |  | In – processing (Orientation, IT, administrative instructions)**Ice Breaking****(13:00-14:00h)** | Visit to Acropolis Archeological Site-Acropolis Museum |  |  |
| **Cycle 1. (Cont)** | **Cycle 2:Thucydidean Approach to Applied Strategy (TAAS 1-8)** |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Sep. 19 | Sep. 20 | Sep. 21 | Sep. 22 | Sep. 23 | Sep. 24 | Sep. 25 |
| **RMCT 1-2**Identifying the functions and qualities of academic writing:- Description, analysis and evaluation- Academic integrity: understanding referencing- Identifying appropriate literature: what makes a source credible? | **RMCT 3-4**Principles of Critical Thinking- Bloom’s taxonomy- Comprehension exercises- Creative thinking and Visualization | **TAAS-1**Theory, War and Strategy | **TAAS-2**Thucydides and the War | **TAAS-3**Thucydides andthe War |  | Visit to archeological site of Apollo Oracle, at Delphi. |
| **Cycle 2: Thucydidean Approach to Applied Strategy (TAAS 1-8) Cont.** |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Sep. 26 | Sep.27 | Sep.28 | Sep.29 | Sep.30 | Oct. 1 | Oct. 2 |
| **TAAS-4**Geopolitics | **TAAS-5**Clausewitz and the War | **TAAS 6**Power | **TAAS 7**Airpower(class held at H.A.F. museum) | **TAAS 8**Seapower(class held at Georgios Averof Armored Cruiser floating museum) |  |  |
| **Cycle 3**: **Managing Maritime Security Threats (MMST) (Field Study Trip 1)** |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Oct. 3 | Oct. 4 | Oct. 5 | Oct. 6 | Oct. 7 | Oct. 8 | Oct. 9 |
| **Departure to Crete**Visit to NMIOTC-The Maritime System-Transnational Organizations-Multinational Responses-Defending the Global Commons | **NMIOTC**NATO Intelligence Cycle of Maritime Security OperationsVisit toSouda Naval Base | **NMIOTC**Evidence collection principles in Maritime Security OperationsVisit toNATO Missile Firing Installation (NAMFI) and Air Defence Center of Excellence | Visit to Knossos Archaeological site and museumVisit to Heracleon Archaeological museum | **NMIOTC**NATO’s Alliance policy and decision making processNATO’s Alliance partnership and cooperation programs NATO’s Alliance conceptNATO Operational Planning ProcessVisit to 115 CW **Departure to Athens** |  |  |
| **Cycle 4: Strategic Leadership (SL 1-5)** |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Oct. 10 | Oct. 11 | Oct. 12 | Oct. 13 | Oct. 14 | Oct.15 | Oct. 16 |
| **SL-1**Theories of Leadership and Military Leadership | **SL-2**Theories of Charismatic and Transformational Leadership | **SL-3**Theories of War and Ethics | **SL-4**Theories-views regarding PTSD and War | **SL-5**Theories of Religion and Military Leadership | Visit toNational Archaeological museum |  |
| **Cycle 5: Applied International Relations & Foreign Policy (AIRFP 1-10)** |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Oct. 17 | Oct.18 | Oct. 19 | Oct.20 | Oct. 21 | Oct. 22 | Oct. 23 |
| **AIRFP-1**The Modern Structure of the International System: UN, NATO (and Global Partners),EU (and CFSP) | **AIRFP-2**Aspects of Diplomacy (Economic, Military,Energy)Secessionism -National Minorities | **AIRFP-3**Issues of National Security:Immigration,Environment,Energy etc. | **AIRFP-4**International Law of the SeaExclusive Economic Zone | **AIRFP-5**The Structure of Peaceful Relations: International JusticeSystem of Settlement of International disputesRecent Case Law on Palestine /USA, Iran /USA, Ukraine /Russia, Georgia /Russia,Philippines /China, Chagos Islands Opinion,Maritime Delimitation and Law of the Sea |  |  |
| **Cycle 5: Applied International Relations & Foreign Policy (AIRFP 1-10) Cont.** |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Oct. 24 | Oct. 25 | Oct. 26 | Oct. 27 | Oct. 28 | Oct. 29 | Oct. 30 |
| **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 IslamThe Islamic Caliphate | **National Day (No Class-Research)** |  |  |
| **Cycle 6: Cultural Awareness-Negotiations and Defense Diplomacy (CANDD)** |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Oct. 31 | Nov. 1 | Nov. 2 | Nov. 3 | Nov. 4 | Nov. 5 | Nov. 6 |
| **AIRFP-10**Asymmetric Threats and Cyber Warfare | **DD-1**Main Actors | **DD-2**Areas and Instruments | **DD-3**Modes of Practice | **N-1**Negotiation’s Theory I. Preparation of Negotiations | Visit to National Historical Museum |  |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Nov. 7 | Nov. 8 | Nov. 9 | Nov. 10 | Nov. 11 | Nov. 12 | Nov. 13 |
| **N-2**Negotiations Theory II: Strategic Conflict Management/ Negotiating Strategies-Tactics | **N-3**Negotiations Theory Synthesis/ Negotiation Exercise | Visit to the Hellenic Navy Fleet Headquarters at Salamis island. | **DD-4**The Role, Goals and Tasks of Defense Diplomacy –Cultural Awareness (Exercise) | **DD-5**Cultural Awareness (Exercise) |  | Visit to Mycenae, Archaeological sites and Nafplion |
| **Cycle 7: Regional Studies (RS 1-10)** |
| **Block I. Southeast Europe (RS 1 – 5)** |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Nov. 14 | Nov. 15 | Nov. 16 | Nov. 17 | Nov. 18 | Nov. 19 | Nov. 20 |
| **RS-1**European Union: An Introduction to the best practice model of Regional Integration | **RS-2**South East Europe: An Overview.East Southeast Europe: Focus: Romania and Bulgaria | **RS-3**East Southeast Europe I: Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia, Serbia, Montenegro, Kosovo, Albania, North Macedonia | **RS-4**Eastern EuropeFocus I: Russia, Ukraine,the Caucasus Region, Turkey | **RS-5**Eastern EuropeFocus II: Russia, Ukraine,the Caucasus Region, Turkey |  |  |
| **Cycle 7: Regional Studies (RS 1-10) Cont.** |
| **Block II. The Middle East and North Africa and South East Mediterranean (MENA-SEM) (RS 6-10)** |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Nov. 21 | Nov. 22 | Nov. 23 | Nov. 24 | Nov. 25 | Nov. 26 | Nov. 27 |
| **Hellenic Armed Forces Day (No Class-Research)** | **RS 6-7**Historical Development till Middle Ages -The Age of Empires | **RS-8**From 19th c. until the Days of Independence | **RS-9**The Arab-Israeli Conflict & Peace Process | **RS-10**From 1990 until Today |  |  |
| **Cycle 8: Introduction to Peace Support Operations (PSO 1-3) (Field Study Trip 2)** |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Nov. 28 | Nov. 29 | Nov. 30 | Dec. 1 | Dec. 2 | Dec. 3 | Dec. 4 |
| **Departure from Athens by bus**Visits to Thermopylae,1st Army HQs andEL.EU HQArrival at Thessaloniki. | **PSO 1-2****SJWC**Peace Building Activities- Introduction to NATO STRATCOM- NATO STRATCOM Policy/Narrative Visit to NATO Rapid Deployable Corps, Greece | Visit to Roupel’s Fort Military Museum | **PSO-3****MPSOTC**MPSOTC Presentation-Hybrid WarfareVisit to 71st Airborne Division | Visit to Archeological Museum of Vergina (Macedonian Royal Tombs)**Departure from Thessaloniki by bus** |  |  |
| **Cycle 9: Countering the Changing Threat of International Terrorism (CIT 1-4)** |
| *MONDAY* | *TUESDAY* | *WEDNESDAY* | *THURSDAY* | *FRIDAY* | *SATUR.* | *SUNDAY* |
| Dec. 5 | Dec. 6 | Dec. 7 | Dec. 8 | Dec. 9 | Dec. 10 | Dec. 11 |
| **CIT-1**-What is Terrorism? History and Understanding of the phenomenon of Terrorism.-Terrorist Movements: a Profile of Terrorists and Their Organizations/Tactics**Major Projects Presentation**. | **CIT-2**-What makes a Terrorist?-Understanding Religious Terrorism-The rise of Al-Qaeda & ISIS - The Strategy of the GWOT**Major Projects Presentation** | **CIT-3**-Addressing Islamic Fundamentalism in the Caucasus: The Russian Government response to the threat of Terrorism- Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD)-Future prospects for Defeating Terrorism**Major Projects Presentation** | **CIT-4**Mission Design ExerciseCourse Conclusive FeedbackAlumni BriefOut-processing | **Graduation Day/Official Ceremony**  |  |  |