



University of New Haven

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

# NATIONAL SECURITY



## Career Growth

According to Encoura, the leading research and advisory firm focused exclusively on higher education, some of the most popular national security careers are going to see significant growth in the 10 years leading up to 2027.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTORS**

↑ 8%

**INFORMATION SECURITY SPECIALIST**

↑ 7%



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## Program Description

Our program will prepare you to work as an intelligence analyst in a spectrum of national agencies associated with the intelligence community – the CIA, the FBI, the NSA, the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Department of State, and the Department of Defense. You could also go the defense contractor route. Many defense contractors have significant national security interests involving the protection of defense-related science and technology developments.

You will learn critical incident mapping, data mining, data analysis, and intelligence report writing – and you will do it in computer labs equipped with the same analytical tools used by top intelligence analysts.

Graduates of the University of New Haven's National Security program will understand the nature and scope of the various national security agencies, the national security strategy, and the connections between the nation's national security strategy and the policies developed to help ensure our nation's security.

Our students learn how to use the tools and skills employed in the Intelligence Community; develop the analytical foundations to be able to analyze alternative threats to security; map and model threats using geospatial analysis; and the laws, ethics, and regulations that structure national security operations.

The National Security program at the University of New Haven allowed me to expand my worldview and made me a competitive applicant for national security internships and scholarships. While studying abroad at our Tuscany Campus, I took the War course with Dr. Matthew Schmidt. In this course we studied the 2014 Maidan Revolution in Ukraine and then traveled to Ukraine. There, we had the opportunity to walk through the square where the revolution had taken place just two years prior. This is where we spoke to the Ukrainians who lived through the revolution and learned how the revolution had personally affected their lives. The experience that my classmates and I had while taking this course is unforgettable.

In the spring of my senior year, I was selected to intern with the White House in Washington, D.C. That same semester, I was one of 15 students in the entire country awarded the highly competitive Department of Defense David L. Boren Scholarship. I spent seven months in Morocco and enrolled in intensive Arabic language courses, lived with a Moroccan host family, and conducted research on the Arab Spring. Although it was a challenging experience, the skills I gained studying abroad allowed me to excel in my immersion program in Morocco. Overall, I know the experiences I had and skills I gained at the University of New Haven have prepared me for a career in national security. I am thankful for the incredible professors I had, who are not only experts in their fields, but provided excellent mentorship as well."



**KRISTY SANTANA '19**  
B.S. National Security Studies,  
Minor in Political Science

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## Get an assignment before you even graduate

Intern with the very agencies that are responsible for national security functions. With over 10 years of experience placing students in these agencies, we've developed a solid network of contacts that will assist us in placing you in the thick of intelligence activity.

## Through the renowned Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, you will prepare to work for your country as an intelligence analyst by:

- Developing a **proficiency in foreign languages** through at least two years of study (Russian, Chinese, or Arabic are suggested)
- **Studying abroad** in a country whose language you've mastered
- **Gaining analytical skills** like critical incident mapping, data mining, data analysis, and intelligence reporting, plus hands-on experience with professional tools and software
- Understanding how to play both **defense and offense in cyberwar**
- **Gaining intensive internship experience** so you can contribute to national security from day one on the job

Internships allow students to take what they learn in the classroom and apply it in the field – with guidance from trained professionals who work with the application of such skills on a daily basis. In addition to the benefits of applying lessons learned in class, you will have the chance to network and make contacts. The more people you know or who know you, the easier it will be for you down the road.



*“You cannot get closer to the heart of national sovereignty than national security and intelligence services. But in matters of national security, emotion is no substitute for intelligence. Acting coolly, intelligently, and prudently in perilous circumstances is the true test of an individual and the ultimate testament of a great nation.”*

### HOWARD STOFFER

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## About Us

The University of New Haven, founded on the Yale campus in 1920, is a private, coeducational university situated on the coast of southern New England. It's a diverse and vibrant community of more than 7,000 students with campuses across the country and around the world.

Within our colleges and schools, students immerse themselves in a transformative, career-focused education across the liberal arts and sciences, fine arts, business, healthcare and health sciences, engineering, public safety, and public service. More than 100 academic programs are offered, all grounded in a long-standing commitment to collaborative, interdisciplinary, project-based learning.

At the University of New Haven, the experience of learning is both personal and pragmatic, guided by a distinguished faculty who care deeply about individual student success. As leaders in their fields, faculty provide the inspiration and recognition needed for students to fulfill their potential and succeed at whatever they choose to do.

## Students enrolled in the National Security program currently take the following required courses:

### FIRST YEAR

- Introduction to National Security
- National Security Law
- Writing & Composition
- Intermediate Algebra
- Introduction to Psychology

### SOPHOMORE YEAR

- Intelligence Analysis
- Economics
- International Relations
- American Government & Politics
- Problem Solving & Critical Thinking
- Quantitative Applications
- Aesthetic Responsiveness and a Foreign Language
- Plus three electives

### JUNIOR YEAR

- Incident Mapping & Analysis
- Homeland Security & Terrorism
- Plus seven electives

### SENIOR YEAR

- Capstone in National Security Studies
- National Security Pre-Internship
- National Security Internship
- Plus six electives



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