

General Strategy Requirement for Navy FAOs

To broaden FAO education beyond a purely regionally focus, Navy FAO community leadership has directed that Navy FAO students in NSA degree programs must include at least one course addressing each of the following six strategic themes:

1. Maritime Strategy and Operations
2. Political Economy
3. Information and Influence
4. Technology
5. Security Cooperation
6. Wargaming

This requirement may be satisfied by curricular core and elective courses, or by general electives. A single course may count for only one of the six themes, even if it is listed for more than one. The Wargaming requirement can be satisfied by taking the course listed below, or by experience in a wargaming exercise (with prior approval of the Navy FAO Chair).

The following courses satisfy the requirement in the specified field. Please be aware that not all of them are taught every year:

1. Maritime Strategy and Operations

- NS3039: Maritime Security Cooperation
- NS4253: Seminar on Technology and Strategic Planning
- NS4256: Maritime Strategy
- NS4990: Seminar in Strategic Studies

2. Political Economy

- NS3040: The Politics of Global Economic Relations
- NS3645: Political Economy of Asia
- NS4053: Political Economy of Development
- NS4667: History and Political Economy of Security in South Asia
- NS4710: Eur-Asia in the Global Economic Order
- NS4960: Energy Security and Geopolitics

3. Information and Influence

- NS3155: Intelligence and Democracy
- NS3159: Principles of Joint Operational Intelligence
- NS3900: International Law and Organizations
- NS4035: Intelligence Under Authoritarianism

- NS4051: Domestic Security Institutions in Comparative Perspective
- NS4052: Knowing Your Enemy
- NS4157: Intelligence for Homeland Security and Defense
- NS4159: Seminar on Joint Intelligence Support to Crisis Operations
- NS4930: Media and War

4. Technology

- CY4410: Cyber Policy and Strategy (TS/SCI)
- NS3021: Defense Capability Development
- NS3230: Innovation and Adaptation in the Military
- NS3280: Nuclear Weapons and National Strategies
- NS4058/4255: Science and Technology and Global Strategic Competition
- NS4253: Seminar on Technology and Strategic Planning
- NS4677: Space and International Security
- NS4643 Science, Technology, and Society in China

5. Security Cooperation

- NS3039: Maritime Security Cooperation
- NS4257: Security Assistance and Cooperation in an Era of Strategic Competition
- NS4580: Security Cooperation in Latin America and Africa

6. Wargaming Experience

- OA4604: Wargaming Applications
- Other wargaming experience (pre-approved by Navy FAO Chair)