

Semester I :

- English Language
- Soft Skills (German / French / Russian /Spanish / Mandarin)
- Foundation Course in Defence and National Studies -I
- Introduction to International Relations
- World Politics: A Panoramic View
- Terrorism

Semester II :

- English Language
- Soft Skills (German / French / Russian /Spanish / Mandarin)
- Indian Constitution and Governance System
- India's Strategic Thinkers
- India in New Emerging Global Order

Semester III :

- English Language
- Soft Skills (German / French / Russian /Spanish / Mandarin)
- Cyber Warfare
- Concept of War and Warfare
- Evolution of Science and Technology I
- Foreign Policy and Diplomacy

Semester IV :

- English Language
- Soft Skills (German / French / Russian /Spanish / Mandarin)
- Introduction to Military History
- Geopolitics and Military Geography
- Evolution of Science and Technology – II
- India's Foreign Policy

Semester V :

- English Language (CC)
- Peace and Conflict in the 21st Century
- Information Warfare
- International and Regional Organisations
- India's Maritime Security
- Research Methodology/Academic Writing (Compulsory)
- Soft Skills (German / French / Russian /Spanish / Mandarin)
- Ability/Skill enhancement courses

Semester VI :

- English Language
- Higher Defence Organisation in India
- Critical Thinking in Strategic Studies
- Research Project / Dissertation (Credit) (Compulsory)
- Ability/Skill enhancement courses
- Media and Public Opinion in Indian National Security
- Skill-based courses Soft Skills (German / French / Russian /Spanish / Mandarin)

Semester VII :

- Key Concepts of Security and Strategic Studies
- Peace and Conflict Studies
- War as an Instrument in International Relations
- Geopolitics and Military Geography

Semester VIII :

- Evolution of Strategic Thoughts
- Disruptive Technologies and National Security
- Trends in Defence Expenditure
- UN System and Global Security

Semester IX :

- Contemporary and Critical Security Studies
- India's Defence Management and National Security Apparatus
- Research Methodology
- Indian Military History
- Advanced Political Geography
- International Political Economy
- China's Strategic Culture

Semester X :

- Indo-Pacific Security Architecture: Challenges and Prospectus
- India's National Security
- Ocean and Maritime Security
- Indian Strategic Thought and Culture
- Area Studies 1: Regional Security in South Asia
- Area Studies 2: West Asia
- Dissertation
- Disaster Management
- CBRN and National Security



Five Year Integrated Course in Defence, Strategic and National Security Studies

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"Students-synthesize critically analyze ideas of War to make Peace to resolve and Defence to Protect a Nation."



Five Year Integrated M. A./ M.Sc. Course in Defence, Strategic and National Security Studies

Features of the course:

The Five-year Integrated M.A. / M.Sc. programme is open to students who have completed Higher Secondary School Certificate or HSC (10+2/ its equivalent examination in Arts / Commerce / Science stream, from any recognized board in India.) from any stream. The course will provide foundational knowledge in the core concepts of the discipline of national and global security. The course will focus on India's National Security, Global Security, Defence Economics, Geopolitics and Military Geography, Indian Military System, Indian Strategic Culture, International Relations, UN System, Global

Peace and Security, Terrorism and Counter Terrorism, CBRN along with Ability and Skill Enhancement Courses, Discipline elective courses and Generic elective courses including foreign languages and compulsory English.

Scope of the course:

- Inculcate a holistic and interdisciplinary orientation towards national security.
- Provide multidisciplinary foundation for an overall perspective on India's national security, defence and strategic studies.

Objectives of the course:

- Train students to become reflective and critical thinkers.
- Equip students in interdisciplinary skills.
- Provide additional perspectives to comprehend issues based on global security environment.
- Mould students to be leaders.
- Develop independent thinking amongst students.
- Develop analytical skills and their application to national and global security issues.
- Provide multidisciplinary foundational knowledge in the core concepts of the discipline of national and global security.

Structure of the Course:

[The Five Year Integrated Course offers an exit option after three years; in that case students will be awarded Bachelors Degree in Arts (B.A.) / Science (B.Sc.).]

- Students completing a two year post graduate course will be awarded the Degree of Masters in M.A./M.Sc.
- The Course is divided in three levels - Discipline Specific Core Paper; Choice Based Credit Electives and Skills Enhancing Papers.
- The course also has two Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses, two Ability Enhancement Elective Courses (skill based), four General Elective Courses and
- four Discipline Specific Elective Courses and Dissertation as per the UGC guidelines.

Course Description and Evaluation:

- The Five Year Integrated course consists of ten semesters. However, the course offers an exit option after three years in which case students will be awarded Bachelors Degree as per their stream.
- Medium of instruction is English (Students would however, be permitted to write their examination in Marathi, as an option).
- Classroom Lectures (50%).

- Assignments, projects and internships (50%).
- Two Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course (AECC) Papers of 100 marks each in which 50 marks are for theory and 50 marks are for internal assessment.
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- Four General Elective (GE) Papers of 100 marks each in which 50 marks are for theory and 50 marks are for internal assessment.
- Four Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) papers of 100 marks each in which 50 marks are for theory and 50 marks are for internal assessment.
- Compulsory Language Papers in all ten semesters also follow the same pattern, i.e. 50 marks for theory and 50 marks for internal assessment.

Method of Teaching:

- Utilize a variety of instructional methods- classroom interactions, tutorials, debates, field visits, the open book method, round table discussion panels, online learning, problem-based learning, comparative studies, oral presentations, text analysis, problem solving, library work and discussions.
- Special lectures by eminent scholars.
- Conduct seminars, webinars and discussion panels.

Career Prospects

- The course will be beneficial to students and professionals. It will help individuals in pursuing their academic and career goals.
- Prepare for strong foundation for teaching and research opportunities.
- Prepare for employment in government and corporate sectors as policy advisors.
- Prepare for employment in strategic Think tanks.
- Prepare students to participate in competitive exams.

For more information visit

- <http://ddss.unipune.ac.in/index.aspx>
- <http://campus.unipune.ac.in/>

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- Intake: 20
- Eligibility

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- Duration

: Five years (Exit option available after three years, in which case students will be awarded Bachelors Degree as per their stream).

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