

STRATEGIC STUDIES AND DIPLOMACY (SEPTEMBER START) (MSc/PgDip/PgCert)

572L5SB1 / 612L5SVX / 622L5SVZ

Duration: 12 months full-time or 24 months part-time.

Content:

FULL TIME ROUTE

Stage 1

Candidates must take the following compulsory courses:

- PD5006 Getting Started at the University of Aberdeen (0 credit points)
- PI5001 Strategic Theory (30 credit points)
- PI5034 International Diplomacy Theory and Practice (30 credit points)

Stage 2

Candidates must take the following courses:

- PI5521 Chinese Security Issues (30 credit points)
- PI5535 US Foreign Policy and Diplomacy (30 credit points)

Stage 3

- PI5901 Dissertation in Strategic Studies (60 credit points)

PART TIME ROUTE

This route will run over two years. Students can take up to 120 credit points in a single year. PD5006 must be taken in Year 1 and PI5901 must be taken in Year 2.

The following courses are compulsory and can be taken in either Year 1 or Year 2:

- PI5001 Strategic Theory (30 credit points)
- PI5034 International Diplomacy Theory and Practice (30 credit points)
- PI5521 Chinese Security Issues (30 credit points)
- PI5535 US Foreign Policy and Diplomacy (30 credit points)

Assessment: By written examination, essay work, class presentation, and project work as prescribed for each course, and by submission of a dissertation. The degree of MSc shall not be awarded to a candidate who fails to achieve a CGS mark of D3 or above in PI5901, irrespective of their performance in other courses.