

STRATEGIC STUDIES AND INTERNATIONAL LAW (SEPTEMBER START) (MSc/PgDip/PgCert)

57L2M2B1/61L2M2VX/62L2M2VZ

Duration: 12 months full-time or 24 months part-time (MSc); 9 months full-time or 18 months part-time (PgDip); 4 months full-time or 8 months part-time (PgCert).

Content:

FULL TIME ROUTE

Stage 1

Candidates must take the following compulsory courses:-

- PD5006 Getting Started at the University of Aberdeen (0 credit points)
- LS501T Critical Legal Thinking and Scholarship (0 credit points)
- PI5001 Strategic Theory (30 credit points)
- LS501U International Law: A Time of Challenges (30 credit points)

Stage 2

Candidates are required to take one Law course and one Strategic Studies course from:

Strategic Studies

- PI5518 International Energy Security (30 credit points)
- PI5520 Terrorism and Counter Terrorism (30 credit points)
- PI5521 Chinese Security Issues (30 credit points)

Law

- LS5549 The Use of Force in International Law (30 credit points)
- LS551G International Humanitarian Law (30 credit points)
- LS5590 International Human Rights Law (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 and LS501T must be taken in Year 1. PI5901 must be taken in Year 2. The following courses are compulsory and can be taken in either Year 1 or Year 2:

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- LS501T Critical Legal Thinking and Scholarship (0 credit points)
- PI5001 Strategic Theory (30 credit points)
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Law

- LS5549 The Use of Force in International Law (30 credit points)
- LS551G International Humanitarian Law (30 credit points)
- LS5590 International Human Rights Law (30 credit points)
- LS5597 International Criminal Law (30 credit points)

Assessment: By written examination, essay work and class presentation, 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 result of D3 or above in PI5901, irrespective of their performance in other courses.