

## **STRATEGIC STUDIES (JANUARY START) (MSc/PgDip/PgCert) 57L2JSB1/61L2JSVX/62L2JSVZ**

*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 will select two courses from the following:

- PI5518 International Energy Security (30 credit points)
- LS5549 The Use of Force in International Law (30 credit points)
- PI5520 Terrorism and Counter Terrorism (30 credit points)
- PI5502 Global Security Issues (30 credit points)

#### **Stage 2**

- PI5901 Dissertation in Strategic Studies (60 credit points)

#### **Stage 3**

Candidates must take the following compulsory courses:

- PI5001 Strategic Theory (30 credit points)
- PI5027 Religion, Conflict and Security (30 credit points)

### **PART TIME ROUTE**

#### **Year 1**

Students will select 30 credit points from the following:

- PI5518 International Energy Security (30 credit points)
- LS5549 The Use of Force in International Law (30 credit points)
- PI5520 Terrorism and Counter Terrorism (30 credit points)
- PI5502 Global Security Issues (30 credit points)

#### **Year 2**

Students can take up to 120 credit points in the year.

All students must take the following:

- PI5901 Dissertation in Strategic Studies (60 credit points)

Students must take one course from the following:

- PI5001 Strategic Theory (30 credit points)
- PI5027 Religion, Conflict and Security (30 credit points)

Students will select 30 credit points from the following. Courses taken in previous years cannot be taken again:

- PI5518 International Energy Security (30 credit points)
- LS5549 The Use of Force in International Law (30 credit points)
- PI5520 Terrorism and Counter Terrorism (30 credit points)
- PI5502 Global Security Issues (30 credit points)

### Year 3

Students must take one course from the following. The course taken in Year 2 cannot be taken again:

PI5001 Strategic Theory (30 credit points)

PI5027 Religion, Conflict and Security (30 credit points)

*Assessment:* By coursework, written examination, or a combination thereof, 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 grade of D3 mark of 9 or above in IR5901, irrespective of their performance in other courses.