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SYLLABUS
of a normative academic component
STRATEGIES OF PEACE AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

BACHELOR Training

Specialty 291 «International Relations, Public Communications and Regional Studies»

Educational and professional programme «International Information and Public Communications»
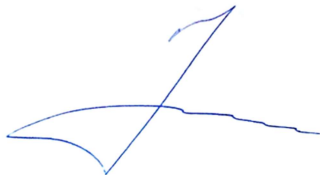
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The syllabus of the academic component Strategies of Peace and International Security, Education Level Bachelor, Field of Knowledge 29 International Relations, Specialty 291 International Relations, Public Communications and Regional Studies, Educational and professional programme International Information and Public Communications.

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I. The description of academic component

Indicator Name	Field of knowledge, educational and professional programme / education and research program, education level	Characteristics of academic component
Full-time form of education	29 International Relations, Specialty 291 International Relations, Public Communications and Regional Studies, International Information and Public Communications, Bachelor	**Normative**
		Year of study: IV
		Semester: 7th
Number of hours / credits		**Lectures : 30** hours
180 / 6		**Practical classes (seminars) 48** hours
Individual Student's Work: no		**Independent work 90** hours
		Consultations 12 hours
		Form of control: credit
Language of study:	English	

II. Information about the instructor

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III. Description of the academic component

1. **Academic Component (AC) Abstract**

   Strategies for Peace and International Security is a comprehensive AC that examines the legal, political and economic strategies that governments and international organizations use to maintain international peace and security. The AC covers the topics of the international security environment and strategic approaches to ensuring security, activities of the UN, OSCE, Council of Europe, strategies of non-governmental organizations, NATO and the European Union, non-European regional and national strategies. In addition, the course examines current affairs and conflicts and explores their implications for international peace and security. The course also includes discussions on how to develop and implement effective strategies to maintain peace and security.

   Prerequisites (previous courses on which the study of the educational component is based): International Relations and World Politics, Information Policy and Security.

2. **The goal and tasks of the educational component**

   The goal of AC is to acquire theoretical knowledge and practical skills in assessing current and potential challenges and threats to national security in the aspect of national, regional and block international security strategies.

The main tasks of AC are the following: the acquisition by students of the knowledge, skills and abilities necessary for understanding the main trends and perspectives of modern politics, the ability to understand the driving forces and regularities of the development of the historical process in the field of international security; development of students' ability to professionally analyze and clarify the positions of Ukraine regarding the main problems and trends of international security; formation of knowledge and understanding of the main strategic directions of the foreign policy of the leading states, features of their diplomacy and relations with Ukraine on international security issues, understanding of the basics of international conflict regulation using diplomatic and other methods used in international practice.

3. Learning outcomes (competencies)

In the list of program competencies and learning outcomes (https://volnu-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/g/personal/sergii_fedoniuk_vnu_edu_ua/ESAULb4HSL5KrZIWPa6YlQMBFvBR-iNDNdn4KXCLjIPS3w?e=tutjay), this educational component provides the following:

General (GC):

GC 4. Knowledge and understanding of the subject area and understanding of professional activity.

GC 5. Ability to work in an international context.

GC 8. Ability to think abstractly, analyze and synthesize.

GC 10. Ability to communicate in the national language both orally and in writing.

GC 12. Ability to search, process and analyze information from various sources.

Special (professional) (SC):

SC1. The ability to distinguish signs and trends of development, to understand the nature, dynamics, principles of organization of international relations, public communications and/or regional studies.

SC2. The ability to analyze international processes in various contexts, including political, security, legal, economic, social, cultural and informational.

SC3. The ability to assess the state and directions of research in international relations and world politics in political, economic, legal sciences, in interdisciplinary studies.

SC4. The ability to solve complex specialized tasks and practical problems in the field of international relations, foreign policy of states, public communications, regional studies.

SC5. The ability to analyze the influence of the world economy, international law and domestic politics on the structure and dynamics of international relations and the foreign policy of states.

SC7. The ability to analyze international integration processes in the world and on the European continent, and the place of Ukraine in them.

SC8. Awareness of the national interests of Ukraine in the international arena.

SC9. The ability to apply knowledge of the characteristics of the development of countries and regions, features and regularities of global processes and the place of individual states in them to solve complex specialized tasks and problems.

SC11. The ability to analyze the nature and evolution of international organizations, their place in the system of international relations, the main forms and prospects of Ukraine's cooperation with them.

SC13. Ability to analyze the activities of international non-state actors and transnational relations.

Learning outcomes (LO):

LO 01. To know and understand the nature of international relations and regional development, the evolution, the state of theoretical studies of international relations and world politics, as well as the nature and sources of the policies of states in the international arena and the activities of other participants in international relations.

LO 02. To know and understand the nature and dynamics of international security, to understand the features of its provision at the global, regional and national level, to know the nature and approaches to solving international and internationalized conflicts.

LO 03. To know the nature of international cooperation, the nature of interaction between international actors, the ratio of state and non-state actors in world politics.

LO 04. To know the principles, mechanisms and processes of ensuring the foreign policy of states, the interaction between foreign and domestic policies, the definition and implementation of the national interests of states on the international arena, the process of forming and implementing foreign policy decisions.

LO 05. To know the nature and mechanisms of international communications.

LO 06. To know the nature and character of interactions of individual countries and regions at the global, regional and local levels.

LO 07. To carry out a description and analysis of the international situation, to collect from various sources the necessary information about international and foreign political events and processes.

LO 08. To collect, process and analyze large volumes of information about the state of international relations, foreign policy of Ukraine and other states, regional systems, international communications.

LO 09. To research the problems of international relations, regional development, foreign policy, international communications, using modern political, economic and legal theories and concepts, scientific methods and interdisciplinary approaches, present research results, provide relevant recommendations.

LO 10. To communicate freely in national and foreign languages at a professional level necessary for professional discussion, preparation of analytical and research documents.

LO 11. To carry out an applied analysis of international relations, foreign policy of Ukraine and other states, international processes and the international situation in accordance with the set goals, prepare informative and analytical.

LO 13. To conduct a professional discussion on issues of international relations, international communications, regional studies, foreign political activity, argue one's position, respect opponents and their points of view.

LO 14. To use modern digital technologies, specialized software, databases and information systems to solve complex specialized problems in the field of international relations, public communications and/or regional studies.

LO 15. To understand and apply current legislation, international normative documents and agreements, reference materials, current standards and technical conditions, etc., to solve complex specialized problems of international relations, public communications and regional studies.

LO 16. To understand and defend the national interests of Ukraine in international activities.

LO 17. To have the skills of self-determination of educational goals and learning, finding educational resources necessary for their achievement.

4.   Structure of the academic component

Name of the content module and topic	Total	Lectures	Seminars	Independent Student's work	Consultations	Form of control / Grades
Content module 1. The problem of ensuring peace and international security						
Topic 1.1. Security Factor in World Politics and International Relations. Formation of a Modern System of International Security.	14	2	4	8		DS, 3
Topic 1.2. International Security Environment: Challenges and Threats to Ukraine's National Security	16	2	4	8	2	DS, 3
Topic 1.3. The System of Ensuring International Security: Construction Principles, Features	16	2	4	8	2	DS, 3
Topic 1.4. A Strategic Approach to Ensuring Peace and International Security	14	2	4	8		DS, T, 3
Total for Module 1	60	8	16	32	4	12
Content module 2. Strategies of International Organizations and Associations						
Topic 2.1. Strategies of International Organizations: UN, OSCE, Council of Europe; Activities of Non-Governmental Organizations	16	2	4	8	2	DS, SGW, 3
Topic 2.2. NATO Strategies	16	4	4	8		DS, SGW, 3
Topic 2.3. Non-European Regional Strategies	14	2	4	8		DS, SGW, 3
Topic 2.4. EU Strategy	18	4	4	8	2	DS, SGW,5
Total for Module 2	64	12	16	32	4	14
Content module 3. National Stretegies						
Topic 3.1. Cross-border Cooperation between the EU and Ukraine***	12	2	4	6		DS, 3
Topic 3.2. Strategies and Programs of Cross-border Cooperation ***	12	2	4	6		DS, 3
Topic 3.3. Practice of Information Support of the CBC on the Ukrainian-Polish	14	2	4	6	2	DS, SGW, 3

border***						
	18	4	4	8	2	DS, T, 5
Total for Module 3	56	10	16	26	4	14
Total hours / Grades	**180**	**30**	**48**	**90**	**12**	**40**

Control methods: DS – discussion, DB – debate, T – tests, TR – training, PM/CM – problems/cases management, IST/ISW – individual task/individual work of the student, SGW – work in small groups, MTP/TP – module test paper/test paper, Ab – abstract, analytical note, analytical essay, analysis of the work, P - presentation.

5. Tasks for independent work.

Task 1. Prepare a presentation: Transformation of NATO's strategic concept.
Task 2. Prepare a presentation: Transformation of Ukraine's national security strategy.
Task 3. Prepare a presentation: Development of the EU security strategy.
Task 4. Prepare a presentation: EU Security Strategy "Strategic Compass".
Task 5. Prepare an analytical report on the prospects of Ukraine's security policy in the light of NATO's 2022 strategic concept.

Issues for independent preparation

Security factor in world politics and international relations. Formation of a modern system of international security
Concept and content of international security. Security concepts.
Principles of international security.
Actual problems of ensuring international security.
Law of international security.
Means of ensuring international security.
Types of international security: universal and regional.
Trends in the development of international security.
Impact of security on world politics and international relations.
International security environment: challenges and threats to Ukraine's national security
Composition of the international security environment, its subjects.
Sources of security threats.
Challenges to international security.
Non-military threats.
Current and projected threats to national security and national interests of Ukraine.
The system of ensuring international security: construction principles, features.
Globalization in the field of international security.
Security modes.
International security institutes.
The UN as a leading global institution and its role in ensuring international security: the UN Security Council. The General Assembly of the United Nations, the international court of the United Nations, the means of the United Nations for the settlement of international disputes. NATO in the modern system of international security.
The role of states in the modern system of international security.

A strategic approach to ensuring peace and international security
Goals, means and strategies of participants in international relations.
Strategy as a unity of goals and means. Concept of strategy.
Crisis management strategies. Peace strategies.
Force and violence in the composition of goals and means.
Strategies of international organizations: UN, OSCE, Council of Europe; activities of non-governmental organizations
UN peacekeeping strategy.
OSCE strategy for countering threats to security and stability in the 21st century.
NATO strategies.
Development of NATO's strategic concept. Factors influencing NATO strategy.
Strategic concept '2010: «Active participation, modern defense».
NATO-2022 strategy
National security of Ukraine in the light of NATO's prospective strategy.
Non-European regional strategies: CSTO, LAD, Asia-Pacific region
EU strategy. Legal and institutional basis of security in the European Union.
Common European security and defense policy. European security strategy «A safe Europe in a better world».
Global Security Strategy of the European Union «Shared vision, one approach: a strong Europe». Prospects for the development of the EU security strategy.
EU strategy in response to Russia's armed aggression against Ukraine
National strategies
National security strategy of Ukraine
Security environment of Ukraine. Development of the concept of national security of Ukraine.

IV. Evaluation Policy

The Microsoft 365 cyber environment (MS Teams and SharePoint) is used during the course study. For this purpose, the use of mobile devices is encouraged - the BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) approach is used. During classroom classes, communication is carried out in the virtual environment of the course in real time. Recording of work time and activity of higher education applicants is additionally recorded in automatic mode. Assignments are assigned and graded in the course team environment (MS Teams).

Attendance and/or participation: attendance and active participation is a graded component of the graded course, remote online participation of the student is allowed provided that he has the appropriate technical means - in this case, an online meeting is held in the MSTeams team.

Academic integrity and cooperation: violation of copyright norms is not allowed, if plagiarism is detected, the student's written work is not evaluated. Group work with the presentation of its results is encouraged in the «Space for collaboration» section of students' personal electronic notebooks.

Students with disabilities: can participate remotely (online) based on personal application.

Statement on the state of health of students: in case of deterioration of health, he can take remote online participation in classes based on a personal written request (by e-mail or in the posts of the MS Teams team.

Delays in execution: allowed if there are compelling circumstances that prevented timely presentation, which is documented (for example, a doctor's certificate).

Re-evaluation: allowed on the basis of a justified written request of the student (by e-mail or in the posts of the MSTeams), but no later than within one week after the main evaluation.

Attendance and/or Participation Policy: Attendance and active participation is an assessed component of the course

V. Final Control

The final control in the form of a credit is regulated by the Regulation on the current and final assessment of knowledge of students of higher education of Lesya Ukrainka Volyn National University (https://ed.vnu.edu.ua/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/2023_Polozh_pro_otzin_%D0%A0%D0%B5%D0%B4_%D1%80%D0%B5%D0%B4%D0%9C%D0%95%D0%94.pdf).

The credit is given based on the results of the current work, provided that the student has completed the types of educational work specified in the syllabus. If the student did not attend individual classroom classes (for valid reasons), he/she has the right to work through the missed classes and get the number of points that was determined for the missed topics at the counseling sessions. On the date of the assessment, the teacher records in the report the amount of current points that the student scored during the current work (scale from 0 to 100 points).

If the student has scored less than 60 points during the current work, he/she will be credited during the liquidation of academic debt. In this case, the points scored during the current evaluation are canceled. The maximum number of credit points during the liquidation of academic debt is 100.

VI. Grading Scale

Grading scale	Linguistic scale
90 – 100	credited
82 – 89	
75 - 81	
67 -74	
60 - 66	
1 – 59	Not credited (it is necessary to repass)

VII. Recommended literature and Internet resources

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