

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Security Studies: The Essentials
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	4
4	Module Code	CRI4036

5	Module Overview
<p>This module introduces students to the discipline of Security Studies. The module provides an overview of different theoretical approaches to the study of security, the historical development of the discipline and a range of relevant and contemporary topics such as terrorism and cybersecurity. Security is an area of tremendous contemporary and international significance and this module aims to provide students with the requisite knowledge and understanding to fully appreciate the international and contested nature of the concept, key areas of debate in the field and the manner in which “security” physically manifests itself in the world.</p>	

6	Indicative Content
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Security Studies • Historical Overview of Security Studies • Security during the Cold War • Intelligence and Security • Cyber-Security • Terrorism • Theories of Security • Liberalism • Realism • Transnational Organised Crime • Refugee and Migration Issues • International Institutions 	

7	Module Learning Outcomes
On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:	
1	Demonstrate understanding of key contemporary security issues.
2	Show knowledge of key theories, debates and concepts in the field of Security Studies.
3	Provide an informed opinion of historical contexts surrounding security issues.

8	Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome			
	Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1-3	X		

9 Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities	
Learning Activities	Hours
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable	34
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	46
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams	120
Total Study Hours:	200