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The Department of Leadership Studies offers a Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences, Bachelor of Art, and Bachelor of Science in Leadership and Strategic Studies. The department also offers a Minor in Leadership Studies.

Program Requirements for the Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences in Leadership and Strategic Studies

General Education Requirement		42
HIST 1301 [shared]	United States History I	
HIST 1302 [shared]	United States History II	
SOCI 1301 [shared]	Introductory Sociology	
Choose 6 Credit Hours WI Courses		6
SOCI 4302	Methods of Social Research	
POLS 3308	International Politics	
HIST 4301	United States and the World	
LEGL 4301	Constitutional Law	
Choose 39 credit hours from the following; 30 hours must be Advanced		39
POLS 2304	Introduction to Political Science	
LDRS 1302	Leadership and the Humanities	
LDRS 2301	Foundations of Leadership	
LDRS 3301	Leadership and Change	
LDRS 3302	Leadership and Ethics	
LDRS 4308	Leadership Studies Capstone Course	
MGMT 3325	Leadership	
SOCI 3330	Social Science Statistics	
POLS 3316	Political Science Research Methods	
POLS 3314	Comparative Politics	
POLS 4315	U.S Foreign Policy	
HIST 4300	World War II and the Holocaust	
HIST 3317	U.S. Military History	
HIST 4327	History of the British Empire	
SOCI 4313	Globalization	
CRIJ 3340	Homeland Security	
CRIJ 3341	Terrorism	
CRIJ 4353	Global Cyber-Security	
PHIL 3304	World Religions: Theory, Origins, & Practices	
PHIL 4385	Philosophy Seminar	
INTL 4075	Study Abroad	
BLAW 4384	International Business Law	
Prior Learning Credit ¹		12-33
Electives		0-21
Total Hours		120

Program Requirements for the Bachelor of Art in Leadership and Strategic Studies

The Bachelor of Art in Leadership and Strategic Studies maintains a common multi-disciplinary curriculum designed to prepare cadets for commissioned service in the United States military, primarily Army and Air Force, as well as traditional students looking to acquire skills to enter into other related professions. The curriculum will also prepare students to attend graduate school in degree programs focused on strategy, defense, and leadership. The Bachelor of Arts focuses on foreign languages, which addresses a capability that the U.S. military requires in a time of persistent conflict and powerful competition across the spectrum of international relations. Implementation of the degree lays the foundation to build the knowledge infrastructure to support accession as a senior military college under the authority of Title 10 United States Code § 2111(a).

General Education Requirements (http://catalog.tarleton.edu/academicaffairs/)		42
SOCI 1301 [shared]	Introductory Sociology	
HIST 1301 [shared]	United States History I	

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HIST 1302 [shared]	United States History II	
POLS 2304	Introduction to Political Science	3
LDRS 1302	Leadership and the Humanities	3
LDRS 2301	Foundations of Leadership	3
LDRS 3301	Leadership and Change	3
LDRS 3302	Leadership and Ethics	3
LDRS 4308	Leadership Studies Capstone Course	3
SOCI 3330	Social Science Statistics	3
MGMT 3325	Leadership	3
Choose Two Writing Intensive Courses		6
HIST 4301	United States and the World	
POLS 3308	International Politics	
LEGL 4301	Constitutional Law	
Choose One Methods Course		3
SOCI 4302	Methods of Social Research	
POLS 3316	Political Science Research Methods	
Foreign Language		14
Choose 27 Credits of Advised Electives		27
MLSC 3301	Training Management and the Warfighting Functions	
MLSC 3302	Applied Leadership in Small Unit Operations	
MLSC 4301	The Army Officer	
MLSC 4302	Company Grade Leadership	
AEST 3301	Leadership Studies I	
AEST 3302	Leadership Studies II	
AEST 4301	National Security Affairs I	
AEST 4302	National Security Affairs II	
POLS 3314	Comparative Politics	
POLS 4315	U.S Foreign Policy	
HIST 3317	U.S. Military History	
HIST 4300	World War II and the Holocaust	
HIST 4327	History of the British Empire	
CRIJ 3340	Homeland Security	
CRIJ 3341	Terrorism	
CRIJ 4353	Global Cyber-Security	
PHIL 3304	World Religions: Theory, Origins, & Practices	
PHIL 4385	Philosophy Seminar	
SOCI 4313	Globalization	
INTL 4075	Study Abroad	
BLAW 4384	International Business Law	
General Electives		4
Total Hours		120

Program Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Leadership and Strategic Studies

The Bachelor of Science in Leadership and Strategic Studies maintains a common multi-disciplinary curriculum designed to prepare cadets for commissioned service in the United States military, primarily Army and Air Force, as well as traditional students looking to acquire skills to enter into other related professions. The curriculum will also prepare students to attend graduate school in degree programs focused on strategy, defense, and leadership. The Bachelor of Science examines the capabilities that the U.S. military requires in a time of persistent conflict and powerful competition across the spectrum of international relations. Nested within the Bachelor of Science is a cyber security certificate. Cyber, as a warfighting domain, is the emergent field that commissioned officers must have some degree of competency, and this Bachelor of Science provides for it. In broad terms, the implementation of the degree lays the foundation to build the knowledge infrastructure to support accession as a senior military college under the authority of Title 10 United States Code § 2111(a).

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HIST 1301 [shared]	United States History I	
HIST 1302 [shared]	United States History II	
SOCI 1301 [shared]	Introductory Sociology	
POLS 2304	Introduction to Political Science	3
LDRS 1302	Leadership and the Humanities	3
LDRS 2301	Foundations of Leadership	3
LDRS 3301	Leadership and Change	3
LDRS 3302	Leadership and Ethics	3
LDRS 4308	Leadership Studies Capstone Course	3
MGMT 3325	Leadership	3
SOCI 3330	Social Science Statistics	3
Choose Two Writing Intensive Courses		6
POLS 3308	International Politics	
HIST 4301	United States and the World	
LEGL 4301	Constitutional Law	
Choose One Methods Course		3
SOCI 4302	Methods of Social Research	
POLS 3316	Political Science Research Methods	

BCIS 3347	Data Communications	3
Choose 24 Credits of Advised Electives		24
MLSC 3301	Training Management and the Warfighting Functions	
MLSC 3302	Applied Leadership in Small Unit Operations	
MLSC 4301	The Army Officer	
MLSC 4302	Company Grade Leadership	
AEST 3301	Leadership Studies I	
AEST 3302	Leadership Studies II	
AEST 4301	National Security Affairs I	
AEST 4302	National Security Affairs II	
POLS 3301	Political Economy of Globalization	
POLS 3314	Comparative Politics	
POLS 4315	U.S Foreign Policy	
HIST 3317	U.S. Military History	
HIST 4300	World War II and the Holocaust	
HIST 4327	History of the British Empire	
SOCI 4313	Globalization	
CRIJ 3340	Homeland Security	
CRIJ 3341	Terrorism	
PHIL 3304	World Religions: Theory, Origins, & Practices	
PHIL 4385	Philosophy Seminar	
INTL 4075	Study Abroad	
BLAW 4384	International Business Law	
Required Certificate - Cyber Security		15
CRIJ 3315	Rules of Criminal Evidence	
CRIJ 4353	Global Cyber-Security	
BCIS 4320	Computer Forensics	
BCIS 4342	Ethical Hacking & Network Defense	
BCIS 4345	Network and Systems Security	
General Electives		3
Total Hours		120

Requirements for the Minor in Leadership Studies

- Membership in the Texan Corps of Cadets and 18 hours of university-recognized leadership coursework in one of the three tracks described below. All freshman and sophomore cadets will register for ROTC courses and labs. Sophomore cadets may request an exception to enroll in LDRS courses in lieu of ROTC courses through the Office of the Commandant. The Commandant has the final authority over all exceptions. At the end of the sophomore year, cadets declare their intention to continue with ROTC courses or LDRS courses in the appropriate track:
 - Civilian Track - Successful completion of the Leadership Studies curricula combined with successful completion of the Leadership Progression in the Corps of Cadets.
 - Military Track - Successful completion of the Military Science or Aerospace studies curricula combined with successful completion of the Leadership Progression in the Corps of Cadets.
 - Combination Track - Cadets may use up to 10 credit hours from the Military Science or Aerospace Studies curricula toward completion of the 18-credit requirements above combined with successful completion of the Leadership Progression in the Corps of Cadets.
- Satisfactory completion of Leadership Progression within the Tarleton Corps of Cadets. Leadership Progression is defined as a minimum of four semesters participation in the Tarleton Corps of Cadets, including: completion of Corps leadership positions, and participation in weekly physical training.
- Satisfactory completion of the summer training or internship, and/or evaluation conducted by the Department of Military Science or Department of Leadership Studies.
- A minimum of six hours of coursework at the 3000-level or above must be taken to fulfill the minor requirement.

Please choose one concentration from the list below.

Aerospace Studies

AEST 1101	Foundation of the US Air Force I	1
AEST L100	Leadership Lab ¹	1
AEST 1102	Foundation of the US Air Force II	1
AEST L100	Leadership Lab ¹	1
AEST 2101	Evolution of US Air & Space Power I	1
AEST L100	Leadership Lab ¹	1
AEST 2102	Evolution of US Air & Space Power II	1
AEST L100	Leadership Lab ¹	1
AEST 3301	Leadership Studies I	3
AEST L100	Leadership Lab ¹	1
AEST 3302	Leadership Studies II	3
AEST L100	Leadership Lab ¹	1
AEST 4301	National Security Affairs I	3
AEST L100	Leadership Lab ¹	1
AEST 4302	National Security Affairs II	3

AEST L100	Leadership Lab ¹	1
Total Hours		24

Civilian Track

LDRS 1201	Basics of Self-Leadership and Staff Work	2
LDRS 2301	Foundations of Leadership	3
LDRS 1302	Leadership and the Humanities	3
LDRS 2302	Elements of Leading Teams	3
LDRS 3301	Leadership and Change	3
LDRS 3302	Leadership and Ethics	3
LDRS 4086	Independent Study	1-6
LDRS 4308	Leadership Studies Capstone Course	3
Total Hours		21-26

Combination Track

Choose 18 hours from the following with no more than 10 hours from MLSC courses.		18
LDRS 1201	Basics of Self-Leadership and Staff Work	
LDRS 2301	Foundations of Leadership	
LDRS 2302	Elements of Leading Teams	
LDRS 3301	Leadership and Change	
LDRS 3302	Leadership and Ethics	
LDRS 4086	Independent Study	
MLSC 1201	Introduction to the Army	
MLSC 1202	Foundations of Agile and Adaptive Leadership	
MLSC 2301	Leadership and Decision Making	
MLSC 2302	Army Doctrine and Team Development	
MLSC 3301	Training Management and the Warfighting Functions	
MLSC 3302	Applied Leadership in Small Unit Operations	
MLSC 4086	Independent Study	
MLSC 4301	The Army Officer	
MLSC 4302	Company Grade Leadership	
Total Hours		18

Military Track

MLSC 1201	Introduction to the Army	2
MLSC 1202	Foundations of Agile and Adaptive Leadership	2
MLSC 2301	Leadership and Decision Making	3
MLSC 2302	Army Doctrine and Team Development	3
MLSC 3301	Training Management and the Warfighting Functions	3
MLSC 3302	Applied Leadership in Small Unit Operations	3
MLSC 4086	Independent Study	1-6
MLSC 4301	The Army Officer	3
MLSC 4302	Company Grade Leadership	3
Total Hours		23-28

Courses

LDRS 1000. TCC Dual Admit. 0 Credit Hours (Lecture: 0 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).

LDRS 1201. Basics of Self-Leadership and Staff Work. 2 Credit Hours (Lecture: 2 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).

Individual assessments to provide insights into personal traits, characteristics, and tendencies. Basic skills of time management, goal setting, and personal planning. Identifying organizational protocols and procedures. Develop interpersonal communication skills, project implementation and quality assurance. Fundamentals of reporting orally and in writing.

LDRS 1302. Leadership and the Humanities. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 3 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).

Introduction to leadership as an object of study through examination of its historical foundations and intellectual development. Readings selected from history, literature, philosophy, political theory, religion, and social theory. Emphasis on assessing these texts in light of reasoned argument and on drawing out their implications for leadership studies.

LDRS 2301. Foundations of Leadership. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 3 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).

Advanced study of leadership theories and models. Explores major theories and applications associated with various leadership practices throughout the late 20th and early 21st centuries. Provide students the framework to critically think about their leadership philosophy and the situations they will encounter in future careers.

LDRS 2302. Elements of Leading Teams. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 3 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).

Advanced study of team leadership and management. Explores team and group dynamics, organization, planning, and group behavior. Strategies for organizational assessment, tools for developing people within organizations, and techniques for developing and delivering training programs.

LDRS 3301. Leadership and Change. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 3 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).

This survey course introduces the student to a broad range of concepts, theories, and practices important for a basic understanding of the similarities and differences between leadership and management. Contemporary and advanced issues in change leadership such as creating a climate for change, implementing and sustaining change, building a change vision, adaptive leadership and change readiness.

LDRS 3302. Leadership and Ethics. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 3 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).

Advanced study of important historical and contemporary ethical theories. Includes assessment and development of character and actions, application of ethical theories, their justification and relationship to society, and objective or subjective status in today's society.

LDRS 4086. Independent Study. 1-6 Credit Hours (Lecture: 1-6 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).

Topics vary according to student need. May be repeated for a maximum of 6 hours. Open to students of junior or senior classification. Prerequisite: Approval of the department head.

LDRS 4308. Leadership Studies Capstone Course. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 3 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).

Capstone leadership course that serves as the culmination of the Leadership and Strategic Studies program. Students use leadership theories and concepts to research leadership challenges and opportunities within the national defense system and organizations broadly. Students will employ research methods to gather and analyze data related to their research topic and write and present their findings and substantive recommendations in an appropriate forum. Prerequisite: None.

LDRS 4384. Leadership Field Experience. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 0 Hours, Lab: 3 Hours).

A supervised field based internship in which the student applies skills and knowledge gained through the John Tarleton Leadership Academy. The course provides students with an opportunity to exercise leadership fundamentals, specialized language, or technical/research skills within a governmental, public, or private business organization. Prerequisite: Approval of department head.

LDRS 4389. Cultural Understanding and Leadership Proficiency. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 0 Hours, Lab: 3 Hours).

This course is Cadet Professional Development Training for the Texan Corps of Cadets and is conducted at various sites outside the United States. It is designed to develop future leaders who are culturally astute, having gained experience to prepare them to lead organizations in a multi-national environment. Prerequisite: Approval of department head.