Undergraduate Strategic Studies Courses

STRG 3317. U.S. Military History. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 3 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).
This course examines the evolution of American warfighting philosophy from the colonial period to the twenty-first century. Students will explore key historical conflicts and trace the operational and technological advances that have shaped U.S. military actions of the past. This course will also highlight the evolution of doctrinal thought, specifically the rise of maneuver warfare theory and understanding the framework of decision-making and adaptability in modern warfare. This course is compliant with U.S. Army TRADOC Regulation 350-13. Credit will not be awarded for both HIST 3317 and STRG 3317. Prerequisite: HIST 1301 and 1302; for History majors only, HIST 3340, which can be taken concurrently.

STRG 3318. Maneuver Warfare and Modern Conflict. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 3 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).
This course explores the application of maneuver warfare doctrine in 21st century conflicts, focusing on contemporary warfighting theorists such as John Boyd, John Warden, and Thomas Hammes. Students will examine key topics in modern warfighting theory, net-centric warfare, and the evolving strategic environment faced by the U.S. military. The course provides an introduction - or re-introduction - to maneuver warfare concepts and their relevance in modern and future conflicts, emphasizing the military dimension of strategic and operational thought.

STRG 4301. International Law. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 3 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours). [WI (https://catalog.tarleton.edu/academicaffairs/)]
This course provides a broad overview of international law, including the ways in which international law is created, the entities to which it applies, and the mechanisms by which it is enforced. This class delves into the broad array of international legal rules on topics ranging from the international law of armed conflict, international trade and investment, the international law of the sea, human rights, the prevention of terrorism, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, and more. This class is writing intensive with assignments developed to enhance the writing process and encourage higher-order thinking within the context of international law.

STRG 4302. Cybersecurity Law and Policy. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 3 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).
This course examines theories, concepts, and structures instrumental in understanding cybersecurity and the governing legal and regulatory frameworks. To do that, this course surveys the history, aspects of law, computer science concepts, policy, and international norms related to cybersecurity. This course is designed as a foundation for further study in cybersecurity policy, but may be valuable to anyone seeking to better understand the nature of this developing concept and the governmental approach (domestic and international laws) and private actors seeking to control the landscape.

STRG 4303. Military Law. 3 Credit Hours (Lecture: 3 Hours, Lab: 0 Hours).
This course examines the federal judiciary and its prominent role in the shaping of the nation’s military laws. While the class examines the military’s constitutional roots, its particular focus centers on the Cold War era from 1968 onward. That examination considers a historic analysis based on primary source materials nested with military law judicial decisions. A critical feature of military law is the maintenance of good order and discipline that is operationalized by the Uniform Code of Military Justice. As such, this unique justice system comes to life in the class by engaging in an end-of-semester capstone project that showcases a mock military court-martial with students/cadets role playing court participants.