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Course Unit Program
Policies, Strategies and Security Tactics

Academic Year 2025/2026

1. Organic Unit

Faculty of Law

2. Course

SECURITY AND JUSTICE

3. Cycle

4. Course Unit

Policies, Strategies and Security Tactics (X4005)

5. Scientific Area

6. Curricular Year

1st

7. Type of Curricular Unit / Semester

1st Semester



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8. Class type and workload (work time)

Theoretical classes:

Practical classes:

Theoretical-Practical Classes 15,00

Tutorial Guidance: 20,00

9. ECTS Credits

7,50

10. Scientific Area Coordinator

11. Regent

Prof. Doutor ANTÓNIO MANUEL GONÇALVES ALEXANDRE

12. Assistants

13. Teaching Language

Portuguese

14. General Objectives

To train master's students with the theoretical and practical knowledge necessary to design and implement security policies, strategies and tactics.

15. Specific Objectives

Provide Master's students:

- The essential theoretical bases of security policies, strategies and tactics;
- Practical tools that enable them to professionally apply security policies, strategies and tactics.

16. Skills to be acquired

Carry out studies on topics related to security policies, strategies and tactics;

Actively participate in the formulation, implementation, control and governance of security policies, strategies and tactics.

17. Teaching Methodology

Theoretical and practical classes, which include mandatory reading, to support open, in-depth and up-to-date discussion, in class, of the various syllabus contents.

18. Course Unit Program



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- 1- Security concept;
- 2- Models of policy elaboration;
- 3- Essential elements of the political process;
- 4- Process of formulating, implementing and controlling security policies;
- 5- Governance of the political process;
- 6- Concept of strategy;
- 7- Models of strategic elaboration;
- 8- Essential elements of the strategic process;
- 9- Formulation process, operationalization and control of security strategies;
- 10- Governance of the strategic process;
- 11- Concept of tactics;
- 12- Tactical elaboration models;
- 13- Essential elements of the tactical process;
- 14- Formulation process, operationalization and control of security tactics;
- 15- Governance of the tactical process;

19. Assessment Methods

Continuous assessment in classes;

A mandatory final test and an individual investigation work with 15 pages on a topic chosen by the student, with the professor's approval.

20. Didactic Resources

Texts/articles/books recommended by the teacher;

Illustrative slides of the classes taught;

Recommended bibliography

21. Sustainability Objectives

1- Increase the number of young people and adults with relevant qualifications, including technical and professional skills, for employment, teaching work and entrepreneurship in the area of security.

2- Promote security, at national and international level, in compliance with the principles of the UN Charter, the Constitution and the Laws.

3- Contribute to responsible, inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making at the political, strategic and tactical levels of

22. Keywords

Policy;

Strategy;

Tactics;

Security.



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23. Main Bibliography

Author(s): Dye, Thomas R.,
Title: Understanding public policy
Edition: 11^a Year: 2005
Local: Upper Saddle River
Publisher: Pearson Education
ISBN Code:

Author(s): Aziz, Harry
Title: Police Procedures and Defensive Tactics Training Manual
Edition: Year: 1979
Local: Tokyo
Publisher: Japan Publications, Inc.
ISBN Code:

Author(s): Ribeiro, António Silva
Title: Teoria Geral da Estratégia, o essencial do processo estratégico
Edition: Year: 2020
Local: Coimbra
Publisher: Almedina
ISBN Code:

24. Complementary Bibliography

Author(s): Axford, Barrie et al.
Title: An Introduction to politics
Edition: 2^a Year: 2002
Local: Londres
Publisher: Routledge
ISBN Code:

Author(s): Dixon, James H.
Title: National security policy formulation
Edition: Year: 1984
Local: Nova Iorque
Publisher: University Press of America
ISBN Code:



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