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#### DISCIPLINE CHART

NAME OF DISCIPLINE				SECURITY STUDIES				CODE: RISE27	
CICLE OF STUDIES (L-BA/M-MA/D-PhD) and YEAR OF STUDY (1,2,3,4)				L 3	Semester	1	THE STATUS OF DISCIPLINE (OB-compulsory/OP-optional/F-facultative)		OB
NUMBER OF HOURS PER WEEK				TOTAL HOURS SEMESTER	TOTAL HOURS SEMESTER *	NUMBER OF CREDITS	TYPE OF EVALUATION (P-along the way, C-colloquium, E-exam, M-mixed)		TEACHING LANGUAGE
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HOLDER OF THE ACTIVITIES OF COURSE	DIDACTIC AND SCIENTIFIC DEGREE, FIRST NAME, SURNAME		DEPARTMENT
	PHD. ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR BOGDAN ȘTEFANACHI		Political Sciences, International Relations and European Studies

HOLDER OF THE ACTIVITIES OF SEMINAR	DIDACTIC AND SCIENTIFIC DEGREE, FIRST NAME, SURNAME		DEPARTMENT
	PHD. OLESEA ȚARANU		Political Sciences, International Relations and European Studies

PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED DISCIPLINES	
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OBJECTIVES*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Knowledge of discipline specific concepts;</li> <li>– Explanation and interpretation of ideas, projects, processes, and theoretical and practical content of the discipline;</li> <li>– Familiarizing students with the main concepts, paradigms and themes of security studies field of study.</li> </ul>
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#### SPECIFIC COMPETENCES GAINED

PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCES**	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Assimilating and understanding the main concepts of security studies;</li> <li>– Acquiring knowledge needed to interpret the dynamics of contemporary security environment;</li> <li>– Developing capacity to analyze and interpret contemporary multidimensional structure of security compared to the strategic Cold War approach;</li> <li>– Knowing and interpreting the impact of contemporary societal dimension of security from the perspective of human security paradigm;</li> <li>– Developing a critical analysis perspective of the transformation of international security environment under the pressure of globalization and acquiring the knowledge needed to appropriate this transformation.</li> </ul>
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TRANSVERSAL COMPETENCES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Developing the teamwork skills as well as oral and written communication skills both in native and foreign language;</li> <li>– Demonstrating concern for professional development by engaging critical thinking skills;</li> <li>– Developing the ability to identify strategic issues and anticipate developments, to set priorities and find appropriate solutions;</li> <li>– Participating in projects that combine theoretical knowledge with practical aspects needed for successful employment.</li> </ul>
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CONTENT OF THE COURSE	Security - A dualistic approach (pessimistic/optimistic perspective); Security studies - role of theory in the debate over security; The traditional perspective on security in international politics - <i>security as power</i> ; The traditional perspective on security in international politics - <i>security as peace</i> ; International security; National security; New security environment – a multidimensional analysis of security; Societal security and <i>human security</i> ; The characteristics of the security environment at the beginning of the third millennium; Security organizations/institutions; European Union – a different perspective on security.
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	<p>University Press, 2003</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Held, David (coord.), <i>Transformări globale. Politică, economie și cultură</i>, Ed. Polirom, Iași, 2004</li> <li>– Sava, Ionel Nicu, <i>Studii de securitate</i>, Centrul Român de studii Regionale, București, 2005</li> <li>– Terrif, Terry, Croft, Stuart, James, Lucy, Morgan, M.Patrich, <i>Security Studies Today</i>, Polity Press, Cambridge, 1999</li> <li>– Tadjbakhsh, Shahrbanou, Anuradha M. Chenoy, <i>Human Security: Concepts and Implications</i>, London &amp; New York, Routledge, 2007</li> <li>– Kaldor, Mary, <i>Securitatea umană</i>, Cluj-Napoca, CA Publishing, 2010.</li> </ul>
CONTENT OF THE WORKS OF SEMINAR	Security – an evolving concept; Individual and national security; National insecurity: threats and vulnerabilities; Security and international system; Regional security; Contemporary security issues; The changing nature of conflicts - the challenge of asymmetric enemies; Geopolitical reconfigurations in the Black Sea area.
BIBLIOGRAPHY (SELECTIVE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Bauman, Zygmunt, "Wars of the Globalization Era", în <i>European Journal of Social Theory</i>, Volume 4, Issue 1, 2001</li> <li>– Buzan, Barry, <i>Popoarele, satele și teama</i>, Chișinău, Editura Cartier, 2000</li> <li>– Herd, Graeme P., and Löfgren, Joan, "Societal Security, the Baltic States and EU Integration", în <i>Cooperation and Conflict</i>, Volume 36, Issue 3, 2001, pp. 273-296</li> <li>– Hirst, Paul Q., „Another Century of Conflict? War and the International System in the 21st Century”, în <i>International Relations</i>, Volume 16, Issue 3, 2002</li> <li>– Jovic, Dejan, "The Disintegration of Yugoslavia. A Critical Review of Explanatory Approaches", în <i>European Journal of Social Theory</i>, Volume 4, Issue 1, 2001, pp. 101-120</li> <li>– Serebrian, Oleg, <i>Geopolitica spațiului pontic</i>, Chișinău, Editura Cartier, 2006</li> <li>– Thornton, Rod, <i>Asymmetric Warfare. Threat and Response in the Twenty-First Century</i>, Cambridge, Polity Press, 2007</li> <li>– Van Tongerren, Paul, Van de Veen, Hans, Verhoeven, Juliette, <i>Searching for Peace in Europe and Eurasia. An Overview of Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding Activities</i>, London, Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2002, pp. 184-209</li> <li>– Webel, Charles, Galtung, Johan, <i>Handbook of Peace and Conflict Studies</i>, New York, Routledge, 2007, pp. 64-86 - Former Yugoslavia and Irak, a comparative analysis of international conflict mismanagement.</li> </ul>
METODOLOGICAL LANDMARKS***	Lectures, debating texts of representative authors in the field, seminar papers, covering literature, participation in seminar debates

EVALUATION	methods	Active participation and reflection during the lectures, debating texts of representative authors in the field, seminar papers, covering literature, participation in seminar debates
	forms	Written exam / seminar works
	Weight of evaluation forms in formula of final grade	50% exam; 50% seminar work
	Minimal standards of performance****	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Minimal understanding of traditional perspective on security in international politics;</li> <li>– Minimal knowing of the main concepts needed to interpret the dynamics of contemporary security environment;</li> <li>– Minimal understanding of the changing nature of conflicts;</li> <li>– Minimal knowing of the main contemporary security institutions/organizations;</li> <li>– Minimal fulfilling of seminar works.</li> </ul>

\* objectives are made according to the chart of professional competences for the program of studies

\*\* at the level of description

\*\*\* didactical strategy, materials, resources

\*\*\*\* reported to the competences made in Objectives or at the Minimal standards of performance from the chart 1L / 1M, according to case

Date of filing

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