Information security is the study of the dynamic interaction between the nature of cyber threats to the security, integrity and availability of information and the diverse efforts that are made to counter them.

The information security minor gives students a multidisciplinary perspective on the sources of, and reasons for, cyber threats and the strategies undertaken to counter them, including the role of computers and computing as well as that of laws, regulations and information storage standards and practices. Students are also introduced to successes and failures in protecting information against cyber attack through the detailed analysis of real-world case studies as well to the broader social, economic and security context in which cyber threats arise.

The information security minor requires 16 hours of academic credit.

*The Required Courses in this minor have pre-requisites. Please consult with an International Studies advisor before enrolling in courses.

**Required Courses: (10 hours)**
CSE 2501 (Contact an International Studies advisor for permission to enroll in this class.)
International Studies 3702
CSE 4471 (Contact an International Studies advisor for permission to enroll in this class.)
International Studies 3703

**Critical Perspectives: choose two (6 credit hours minimum)**
Communication 3332
CSE 5351
CSE 5473
International Studies 3700
International Studies 3701
International Studies 5191
Linguistics 3801
Linguistics 3802
Public Affairs 4000
Sociology 5525

**Information Security minor program guidelines**

**Credit hours required** A minimum of 16 credit hrs. 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credits must be at the 3000 level or above.

**Transfer and EM credit hours allowed**
A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

**Overlap with the GE**
A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

**Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)**
• The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
• The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

**Grades required**
• Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
• Minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA for all minor course work.
• Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
• No more than 3 credit hours of coursework graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

**X193 credits**
No more than 3 credit hours.

**Minor approval**
The minor must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor.

**Filing the minor program form**
The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to your college office.

**Changing the minor**
Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor.