



Turkish National Defense University (TNDU)  
Atatürk Institute of Strategic Studies (AISS)



# War Studies M.A.

2018-2019 Fall

## Course Details

After the World War II, there has been a tendency within the Western civilian circles including academics and politicians to study and control military issues in civilian-military coordination. In this context, many respected universities have established chairs and research centers in areas such as war studies, operation research, conflict resolution, and peace studies.

Being the first of its kind in Turkey, the Department of War Studies at AISS has been formed in order to contribute to the upbringing of soldier-scholars and civil analysts of war and armed conflict.

War Studies M.A. Program is intended to facilitate analysis of the dynamics of contemporary combat environments, the developments in the military technology, and the

individual and societal trends which guide post-modern warfare within a flexible structure suitable for transition among the disciplines.



## Key Facts

- ◆ The first War Studies M.A. program in Turkey.
- ◆ Full-time (120 ECTS).
- ◆ Specialized field topics.

## Career Prospects

- ◆ Become a threat/risk/security analyst, research advisor, or foreign policy fellow.
- ◆ Pursue careers in journalism, finance, academia, the diplomatic services or the armed forces;
- ◆ Work for governmental and non-governmental organizations, NATO, the UN or other international organizations.



## Admission Requirements

- ◆ For the requirements, please visit [our website](#).
- ◆ The amount of tuition fee will be decided according to the agreements with friendly and allied nations. For individual applications, please contact us: [atasaren@msu.edu.tr](mailto:atasaren@msu.edu.tr).

## Curriculum Overview

### Obligatory Modules:

- ◆ Research Methods
- ◆ State Formation and Political Violence
- ◆ Strategy and War
- ◆ Seminar
- ◆ Change and Continuity in Warfare and Armed Conflict
- ◆ Thesis I & II

### Elective Modules:

◇ Metaphysics of War ◇ Change and Innovation in Military Organizations ◇ Change and Innovation in Military Technology ◇ War and Society ◇ Law of Armed Conflict ◇ Combat and Battle in Modern Military History ◇ Armed Forces as Learning Organizations ◇ Military Manpower Economics ◇ Cost and Effectiveness in Military Operations and Defense Management ◇ ISTAR Applications in Joint Warfare ◇ Strategic Communications and Information Operations ◇ Armed Conflict and Its Environmental Consequences ◇ Irregular Warfare in Turkish Military History ◇ Ethics of Future Warfare.

## Important Dates

- 28 May-29 June** : Application period.  
**5-6 July** : Notification of successful applicants about interview date.  
**11-13 July** : Interview.  
**19-20 July** : Notification of applicants about admission decision.  
**17-21 Sep** : Registration period for the applicants in the shortlist.  
**24-28 Sep** : Registration period for the reserve applicants.  
**October** : The course period starts.