

The George Washington University  
Elliott School of International Affairs  
National Security Studies Program

## Senior Manager Course in National Security Leadership

Based in the heart of the nation's capital, the George Washington University Senior Manager Course in National Security Leadership is a two-week executive education course that forges a new model for senior leadership training.

Whether you are preparing for an advanced leadership role in the military, transitioning to a new role within the government or private sector, or hoping to gain a better understanding of your U.S. government counterparts, this is an unmatched opportunity to gain crucial skills and access.

Through this course, senior leaders gain valuable insight into:

- Strategic Foresight
- Working with Congress
- The U.S. National Security budget
- Counterterrorism and counterinsurgency strategy
- Resilience and energy security
- Cybersecurity and Cyberwarfare
- Emerging technologies
- Leading Organizational Change
- Regional conflict and instability
- Analyzing complex challenges
- Evaluating policy options
- Forging your strategic narrative
- Working with the media
- Building interagency and international coalitions
- Advanced negotiation skills

### Highlights:

- Lectures from internationally renowned national security and foreign policy experts
- Case studies and collaborative exercises
- Complex simulations concerning threats to the homeland and abroad
- Briefings with senior officials in the U.S. Departments of Defense, State, etc.
- Site visits to neighboring embassies and agencies
- Networking events with top policymakers and peers

### Recent speakers include:

LTG (Ret.) H.R. McMaster on *Forging the U.S. National Security Strategy*  
Michèle Flournoy on *Rethinking the National Defense Strategy*  
Dr. David Kilcullen on *Navigating Complex Security Environments*  
Dr. David Rock on *The Neuroscience of Coalition Building*  
Heather Conley on *Russia and NATO: Putin's War and Beyond*  
Dr. Jeremy Suri on *Historical Thinking and National Security Leadership*

### TUITION:

Course tuition is \$9,500, including some meals and local travel during the program.

### DATES:

March 4 – 15, 2024 (on-campus)  
June 3 – 14, 2024 (on-campus)

### ACADEMIC CREDIT:

Graduates of the program who complete a 15- to 20-page research paper on a topic related to the course are eligible to receive 3 graduate credits from the GW Elliott School of International Affairs, which may be applied toward advanced degrees including the Master of International Policy and Practice (the Elliott School's 27-credit midcareer Master's degree program).

### ELIGIBILITY:

The course is open to senior military officers (O-5 and above) and civilian executives (GS-14 and above, or equivalent) from the U.S., other governments, and senior executives in the private sector dealing with international security issues.

### HOW TO APPLY:

Application forms are available at

<https://nssp.elliott.gwu.edu>

Learn more at

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