

Country SE	Institution Swedish National Defence University	Common Module Irregular Warfare (A)	ECTS 3.0
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Service ALL	Minimum Qualification for Lecturers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PhD in war studies/political science/military history (or equal). • English: Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) Level B2 or NATO STANAG Level 3.
Language English	

<p style="text-align: center;">Prerequisites for international participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English: Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) Level B1 or NATO STANAG Level 2. • Basic knowledge and skills in military strategy and tactics (approx. two terms of studies). 	<p style="text-align: center;">Goal of the Module</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce students to the study area of contemporary irregular and hybrid warfare. • Provide an understanding of different perspectives when analysing irregular conflicts. • Providing an understanding of how military forces can be used in counter insurgency operations.
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Learning outcomes	Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe different applications of irregular and hybrid warfare.
	Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problematize and analyse central ideas and concepts in irregular warfare.
	Competences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyse consequences of different approaches to irregular warfare.

Verification of learning outcomes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Test: Written assignment consisting of 1500 words delivered at the end of the module. • Seminar: Active participation in one seminar.
Grading
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The course module applies the following grading criteria: pass with distinction, pass, or fail. • To pass with distinction, the cadet has to participate actively in the seminar and achieve the grade pass with distinction on the written assignment. • To pass, the cadet has to participate actively in the seminar and achieve the grade pass on the written assignment.

Module Details		
Main Topic	Recommended WH	Details
Lectures	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Historical and theoretical overview of central concepts concerning irregular and hybrid warfare. Contemporary irregular and hybrid conflicts and warfare. Theories of how military forces can be used in counter insurgency operations.
Seminar	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using the latest articles and research as a basis for seminar discussions. Critically engaging with the theory and practice of irregular warfare. Covering key questions and current debates such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is hybrid warfare? Assess the merits of Hoffman's arguments about hybrid warfare in the twenty-first century. Is counterinsurgency (COIN) 'a special form of warfare' (Scheipers, 2014)? Discuss.
Writing	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing of individual paper
Self-studies	49	-
Total WH	80	The detailed amount of hours for the respective main topic is up to the course director according to national law or home institution's rules.

Remarks:

Literature for the module (in total approx. 400 pages):

- Williamson Murray & Peter Mansoor, Hybrid Warfare: Fighting Complex Opponents from the Ancient World to the Present (Cambridge: CUP, 2012) (Selection)
- Russel Crandall, America's Dirty Wars: Irregular Warfare from 1776 to the War on Terror (Cambridge: CUP 2014). (Selection)
- In addition to the two books there will be three to five articles.

List of Abbreviations:

CEFR Common European Framework of Reference for Languages
 COIN Counterinsurgency
 CUP Cambridge University Press
 ECTS European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System
 NATO North Atlantic Treaty Organisation
 STANAG Standardization Agreement
 WH Working Hour