

INFRASTRUCTURE POTECTION AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAM RESEARCH ESSAY/ENGINEERING PROJECT PROPOSAL

Please discuss your proposed project with different faculty members, especially the faculty member you would like to supervise your work. Once you have a draft proposal that reflects you proposed project, please submit it to the IPIS administrator for review by the IPIS Director and Associate Director. While you may submit your proposal at any time, it is best to do so as early as possible in the term before you intend to register in, and begin work on, the research project or essay.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Student number: _____

Email: _____

REQUESTED REGISTRATION

IPIS 5907 (Project)_____

IPIS 5908 (Paper)_____

Term:_____

PROPOSED SUPERVISOR

Name: _____

Email: _____

Please attach your proposal and timeline for completion to this form

Your proposal should include the following:

1. **RESEARCH QUESTION.** Describe the problem, or issue, you are investigating, and identify the research question, or hypothesis, you will be analyzing. If possible, describe the main argument or position you are taking on the issue or topic. The relevance of your chosen topic should be clearly linked to the overall objectives of the IPIS Program.

2. **RELEVANCE.** Explain the relevance of the topic to the overall objectives of the IPIS program and indicate how you will integrate your knowledge from the courses taken in the program to your project or essay.
3. **RELATED RESEARCH.** Provide a brief literature review that identifies some of the principal sources for your project or essay and explain how your work will contribute to our existing knowledge of the topic, or how it may fit within or outside of the existing bodies of knowledge on the topic. If you have a preferred format for the presentation of a literature review, please provide this as you see fit.
4. **BASIC APPROACH.** Describe what you plan to do in your research and how you plan to do it, including the methods you will employ to collect and analyze information and evaluate your research question or hypothesis.

Student Signature

Date

Supervisor Signature

Date

Director or Associate Director Signature

Date