

Israel National Defense College

Welcome!



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The INDC

The Israel National Defense College is the highest institution in the country, which trains senior personnel in the IDF and other security and government institutes, for senior command and management positions.



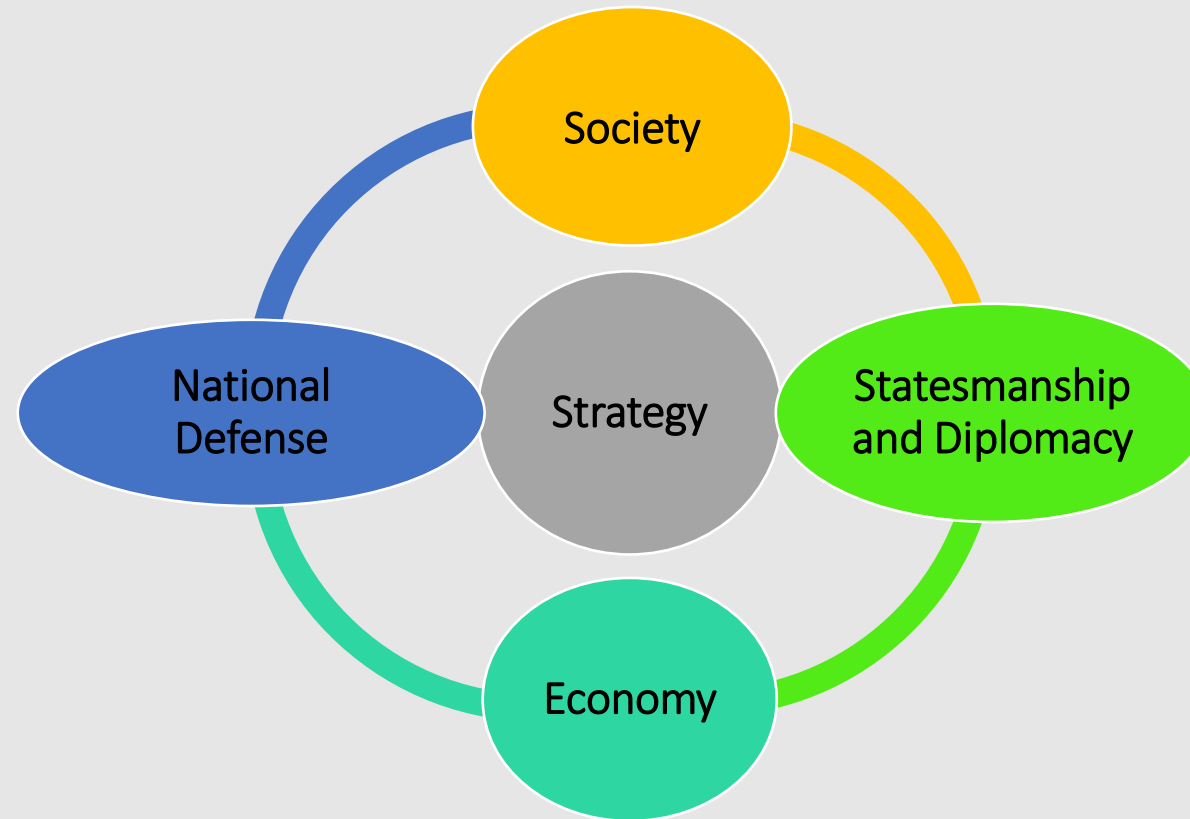
Israeli government's decision, 23 May, 1976



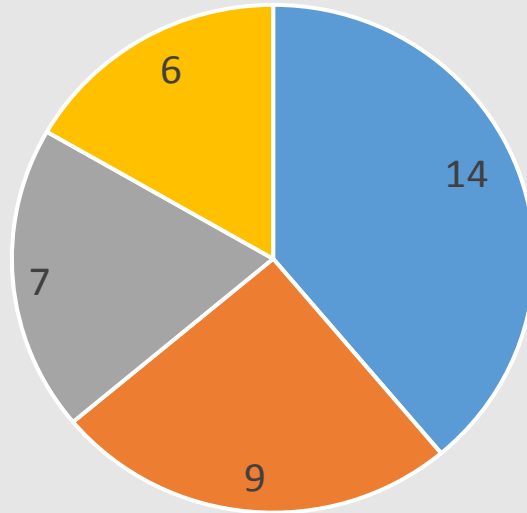
Goals of the Academic Year

- ✓ Gaining knowledge about Israeli national security and its various dimensions, through learning and researching the components of national security.
- ✓ Analysis of the interrelationships between the various national security dimensions.
- ✓ Developing thinking and analytical tools of understanding processes and leading them at the strategic level, in a way that allows dealing with complex challenges in the field of national security.

Learning Fields in the INDC



Participant's Mix



■ Military ■ Security Organizations ■ Civil Organizations ■ Internationals



47th Class – 36 Participants

Quantity and Organizational Affiliation	International Officers
14 IDF officers	2 USA
3 Israeli Police	1 Italy
3 Prime Minister's office	1 Singapore
2 Ministry of Foreign Affairs	1 India
1 Electrical Company	1 Germany
1 Finance Ministry	
1 Bank of Israel	
1 Israel Lands Administration	
1 Israel Atomic Energy Commission	
2 Ministry of Defense	
1 Ministry of Diaspora Affairs	

Participants' Roles

- ✓ Class presidency
- ✓ Note taker
- ✓ Photographer
- ✓ Treasurer



INDC Code

- ✓ Chatham House Rules
- ✓ Dress code and appearance
- ✓ Cell phones
- ✓ In the plenum: Speaking through microphones
- ✓ Respecting each other's time
- ✓ Openness
- ✓ Absences
- ✓ Academic writing ethics



Study Seasons 1/4

The Global Season:

1. Basic Concepts in National Security in the Global Aspect
2. Approaches and Schools of Thought in Political Science: From the Greek Polis to Globalization
3. The Development of Strategic Thought
4. **Europe seminar and study tour**



Study Seasons 2/4

The Israeli Season:

1. Founding Fathers
2. Basic Topics in Israeli National Security
3. Strategic Thinking
4. Geography and National Security Tours (North, South, Judea and Samaria)
5. Choice: Skills for senior officials / decision making and planning
6. Choice: Statesmanship and diplomacy / politics and Israeli society
7. **Concluding Political-Security Simulation**



Study Seasons 3/4

Specialization Season:

1. Main optional seminar: Economics/ Public Law/ Israeli Society
2. 'The Digital World' and tours in the security organizations
3. Secondary optional seminar: Communications/ Cyber/ Intelligence/ Middle East (in the making)
4. **East seminar and study tour**



Study Seasons 4/4

Concluding Integrative Season:

1. Expanded US seminar and study tour
2. Summarizing the academic year

Final project: More information to come



(Basic) Weekly Structure in the INDC

Hour/Day	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
08:30-10:00	Self-Study	Subject 1	Subject 1	Subject 1	Subject 1
10:30-12:00		Subject 2	Subject 2	Subject 2	Subject 2
13:00-14:15		Subject 3	Subject 3	Subject 3	Subject 3
14:45-16:15		Subject 4	Team Hour	Subject 4	Until 15:00

Important Dates

Tours and exercises	Vacations
Opening Day of Academic Year- September 2nd, 2019	
Europe Tour- 10-14.11.19	Rosh Hashana (New Year's Holiday)- 29.9-1.10.19
North Tour- 26-28.11.19	Yom Kippur and Sukkot vacation- 8.10-22.10.19
South Tour- 17/19/12	Charismas vacation 25.12-01.01.20
First Strategic Experience- 15-16.1.20	First study break 16-23.2.20
Judea and Samaria Tour- 28-30.1.20	Purim vacation- March 10, 20.3.20
Security Political Simulation- 11-13.2.20	Second study break+ Passover Holiday- 5-19.4.20
Eastern Tour- 3-7.5.20	Independence Day vacation- 28-30.4.20
US Tour- 14-25.6.20	Shavuot vacation- 28.5.20
INDC 47th Class Graduation Ceremony – July 15th, 2020	

Looking forward...

- ✓ Setting personal goals for the year at the INDC
- ✓ Planning of vacations according to the planned yearly schedule
- ✓ farewell to your “home organizations” (you are now 100% an INDC participant)
- ✓ Preparing for effective time utilization during the year

