

Strengthening resilience in the times of polycrises

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**RESILIENCE | SECURITY | PREPAREDNESS |
CRISIS MANAGEMENT | INTELLIGENCE**



Incoming students IMPORTANT DATES

PRE-REQUISITES

- EUNICE student
- English: B2 level

HOW TO APPLY & ENROL

- Incoming students: contact your International Relations Office (for application and Erasmus+ funding).



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COURSE CONTENT

Join us to explore resilience through theory and field-based learning, starting in Helsinki with Finland's comprehensive security model. You'll visit the Finnish Parliament, government agencies, and NGOs. Then, in Vaasa, you'll study community resilience in collaboration with the city and the Ostrobothnia region. The course includes discussions on situational awareness, disaster risk, sustainable transformation and intelligence ethics, enhancing your understanding of societal responses to complex challenges.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students can

- explain core concepts of resilience, transformation, polycrises, intelligence ethics, and Finland's comprehensive security approach.
- apply systems thinking to complex risks, and evaluate community-level resilience, transformation and crisis responses.
- collaborate in multidisciplinary teams and communicate resilience and security issues to diverse audiences.
- reflect critically on the course topics.
- operate in international, multi-sectoral contexts and recognise their role within broader societal resilience.

OBJECTIVES

- Introduce students to multidisciplinary resilience and polycrisis topics through systems thinking, comprehensive security studies, and societal transformation approaches.
- Provide hands-on understanding of the topic via Finland's Comprehensive Security Model by field visits to national, regional, and community-level actors.
- Develop students' analytical capabilities in situational awareness and crisis sensemaking across sectors.
- Strengthen ethical, collaborative, and other competencies essential for crisis management, intelligence ethics, and democratic preparedness in the transforming societies.

COURSE COORDINATOR

University of Vaasa, Finland

Partner universities

Karlstad University, Sweden

Brandenburg University of Technology Cottbus-Seftenberg, Germany

Keynote

Prof. Jan Goldman, The Citadel Military College of South Carolina