

**SPRING QUARTER 2024**

**TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME (TOC)  
AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY**

**Intl St 189 (TRANSNTL CRIME&SECU)**

**W 7:00-9:50 PM**

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This course aims to introduce students to the relationship between transnational organized crime and international security. The emphasis will be on the role of international organizations and national institutions in charge of security including the judiciary, military, and police in combating organized crime.

Transnational organized crime is central to the security concerns of nations, small and large. The advances in free trade and the globalized economy have greatly benefited criminal organizations. In this course, we will try to look at the structure of transnational organized crime groups, their immediate and long-term threats to nations, and international security, and how global and regional strategies are designed to suppress them.

This course is an undergraduate-level, open entry with no prerequisite required. Students interested in international law, international politics, comparative politics, political violence, and the use of force are encouraged to enroll in this class.

Students will form groups focused on various significant issues of transnational organized crime and international security in a particular country or region, or at the global level and present their findings in group discussions and in writing.