

CIVIL-MILITARY RESPONSES TO TERRORISM

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This course explores contemporary counterterrorism strategies, with a specific focus on understanding terrorist movements and developing operational and strategic-level civil-military responses. The course offers a blend of theoretical frameworks and practical applications. Participants will engage with leading experts, analyze real-world case studies, and participate in exercises. The course emphasizes the importance of inter-agency cooperation, international collaboration, and the balance between security measures and civil liberties in crafting effective counter-terrorism policies. The overall intent is to produce operators who are better able to prevent, deter, or defeat terrorist movements.

OBJECTIVES

Upon conclusion of this course, participants will be able to:

- ♦ Understand contemporary terrorism and current trends.
- Illustrate how combating terrorism is a mission for the whole-of-government.
- Survey ideological and material motivations for violent extremism and terrorism.
- Apply key elements of a comprehensive response to terrorism to a national context.
- Prepare duty-bearers to protect and promote human rights in counterterrorism operations.

TOPICS

This course exposes participants to foundational and emergent innovations in counterterrorism. The daily program includes a variety of methodologies, including expert-led presentations, case studies, small-group and tabletop activities, guided discussions, multi-media aids, and a capstone activity. Mobile course iterations are tailored to the specific audience and desired outcomes. Course topics may include:

- The history and future of terrorism
- Grievance, opportunity, and strategic models of terrorism
- Implications of counterterrorism for men, women, boys, and girls
- Intelligence, law enforcement, and defense collaboration for counterterrorism
- Managing and defeating terrorist movements
- Creating and sustaining counterterrorism capabilities within the defense sector

PARTICIPANTS

The course can be taught to 30–40 participants. Participants should be mid- to senior-level officers and equivalent civilian officials. The content is designed for a mix of persons in defense, intelligence, law enforcement, policy-making, and training/education roles. In addition, women and men who are positioned to promote the development of counterterrorism capabilities within the defense sector are strongly encouraged.



INSTITUTE FOR SECURITY GOVERNANCE (ISG) EDUCATION PORTFOLIOS

ISG's tailored education and professional development courses help build a comprehensive knowledge base and strengthen partner capacities to confront complex security and defense challenges. Courses are designed to cultivate individual understanding of complex issues; foster peer-to-peer learning; and build international communities of practice.



FACULTY

ISG's faculty team is grounded in professional experience from academic, military, government, and civil sectors. The core faculty are augmented by experts drawn from other parts of government, and U.S. and international subject matter experts drawn from universities, industry, think tanks, international organizations, and non-governmental organizations.

ENROLLMENT

Courses are conducted as part of the U.S. Government's Security Cooperation efforts. Interested partner nation personnel should contact their government's international cooperation section, or the relevant U.S. Embassy's Security Cooperation organization for selection processes and enrollment. Interested U.S. citizens may contact ISG to discuss availability.

FUNDING

Educational programs are primarily implemented through Title 22 authorized programs, including International Military Education and Training (IMET), Foreign Military Sales (FMS), Peacekeeping Operations (PKO), and various Title 10 authorized programs, including the Maritime Security Initiative (MSI) and Regional Defense Fellowship Program (RDFP).

ABOUT ISG



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