

Introduction to Terrorism and Homeland Security

CJS 198

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I. **Course Title:** Introduction to Terrorism and Homeland Security

II. **Course Information:**

- A. CJS K198
- B. Room Number: D 105
- C. Day/Time: T/R 2:30 to 3:45

III. **Course Description:**

This course is a survey of domestic and international terrorism. And will examine the history of terrorist organizations and the underlying social, political, religious and nationalistic conditions that gave rise to these organizations. The governmental responses in different countries to these organizations activities will also be reviewed.

IV. **Course Objectives:**

Describe the difference between domestic and international terrorism.

Summarize the history of terrorist organizations.

Compare and contrast the underlying social, political, religious and nationalistic conditions that gave rise to terrorist organizations.

Analyze the governments of different countries and how they have responded to the terrorist organizations activities.

V. **Instructional Methods:**

- A. Lecture
- B. Discussion
- C. Group Work

VI. **Required Text:**

Terrorism and Homeland Security, 7th edition, by Jonathan R. White. ISBN:- 13:978-0-495-91336-8 ISBN: - 10-0-495-91336-7

VII. **Disabilities Statement:**

If you are a student with a disability and believe you will need accommodations for this class, it is your responsibility to contact the Disabilities Counseling Services at 892-5751. To avoid any delay in the receipt of accommodations, you should contact the counselor as soon as

possible. Please note that I cannot provide accommodations based upon disability until I have received an accommodation letter from the Disabilities Counselor. Your cooperation is appreciated.

VIII. Course Outline:

Week #1 – Jan. 19, Introduction to Course & Instructor, Chapter # 1, Quiz #1 Distributed

Week #2 – Jan 24/26, Chapter # 2, Quiz Due

Week #3 – Jan 31, Feb 2, Chapter # 3, Quiz #2 Distributed

Week #4 – Feb 7/9, Chapter # 4, Quiz Due

Week #5 – Feb. 14/16, Chapter # 6, Quiz #3 Distributed

Week #6 – Feb 21/23, Chapter # 7, **Midterm Distributed**, (Chap. 1 to 8) Quiz Due

Week #7 – Feb 28 March1, Chapter # 8, **Midterm Due**

Week #8 – March 6/8, Chapter # 9, Quiz #4 Distributed

Week #9 – March 13/15, Chapter # 10, Quiz Due

Week #10 – March 20/22, Spring Break – No Class

Week #11 – March 27/29, Chapter # 11, Quiz #5 Distributed

Week #12 – April 3/5, Chapter # 12, Quiz Due

Week #13 – April 10/12, Chapter # 13, Quiz #6 Distributed

Week #14 –April 17/19 Chapter # 14, Quiz Due

Week #15 – Aril 24/26, Chapter # 15

Week #16 – May 1/3 Chapter # 16 **Final Exam Distributed** (Chap. 9 to 17)

Week #17 – May 8/10, Chapter# 17 **Final Exam Due**, Course Wrap-Up,

Week #18 – May 15, If Needed (Instructor Discretion)

IX. Evaluation Procedures

Your final grade will be determined by a combination of quizzes, exams, and participation.

Quizzes 6 @ 5 points each	30
Briefing Sheet on Terrorist Organization	10
<u>Exams (Midterm and Final) 2 @ 30 points each</u>	<u>60</u>
	100%

Tests: All quizzes are take-home and are multiple choice. **Late tests will only be accepted with the prior approval of the instructor.**

Exams: The midterm and final exams will be take-home essay.

Grades: All grades will be posted on Blackboard in real time. The grades will be expressed in a point value. For example: an exam is worth 10 points, a grade of between 0 and 10 points will be recorded. The total amount of points earned during the semester will correspond to the grade scale listed below.

Briefing Sheet: The student will select a terrorist organization and prepare a “briefing sheet”. The format will be provided in class.

X. Final Grade Scale

A	=	94 - 100
A-	=	90 - 93
B+	=	87 - 89
B	=	83 - 86
B-	=	80 - 82
C+	=	77 - 79
C	=	73 - 76
C-	=	70 - 72
D+	=	67 - 69
D	=	63 - 66
D-	=	60 - 62
F	=	00 - 59
W	=	Withdrawal
I	=	Incomplete
P / F	=	Pass / Fail
AU	=	Audit

XI. College Withdrawal Policy

A verbal “drop or withdrawal” from course(s) cannot be accepted by the instructor. Students must complete the required form and file it with the Registrar’s Office. Students may drop or withdraw from a course up to the 12th week of the semester; the exact ending date for the drop period is listed in the academic calendar.

XII. Instructor’s Attendance Policy

Consistent attendance at class meetings is crucial to success in this course. You are expected to attend all classes in order to receive full benefit from instruction.

Students having attendance problems should speak with the instructor before taking any action.

If you are too sleepy to stay awake in class, please leave class as you will not benefit from the instruction and will serve as a distraction to the class and instructor.

XIII. Academic Dishonesty

Conduct which as its intent or effect the false representation of a student’s academic performance and/or knowingly and intentionally assisting another student to do so in any way constitute academic dishonesty. In the event of academic dishonesty, the College’s policy will be enforced.

XIV. Cellular Phones etc.

Students are notified that cellular phones and other electronic devices are allowed in class only if they are turned off or turned to a silent mode. Under no circumstances are phones to be answered in class. When there are extenuating circumstances that require that a student be available by phone, the student should speak to the instructor prior to class so that together they can arrive at an agreement.

XV. Early Warning Policy

Students experiencing academic difficulty and/or chronic absenteeism will be notified of their class standing.