

DSC 4012 - Terrorism

Course Description:

A study of domestic and international terrorism, using current events and past incidents for analysis, to include the events, the responses, and the outcomes.

Pre-req: CCJ 1020

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will analyze the evolving forms of terrorism by:

- a. defining and discussing the context of terrorism
- b. exploring the typologies of terrorism
- c. identifying and discussing the tactics of terrorism

Competency 2: The student will analyze individual and group terrorist behavior by:

- a. exploring group behavior
- b. researching and reviewing terrorist profiles
- c. discussing individualistic terrorists

Competency 3: The student will analyze group structures by:

- a. exploring the structure of terrorist groups
- b. defining and discussing "lone wolf" terrorists
- c. defining and exploring "berserker" terrorists

Competency 4: The student will analyze the relationship between religion and terrorism by:

- a. exploring Hoffman's analysis of religious terrorism
- b. discussing Huntington's "A Clash of Civilization"

Competency 5: The student will analyze the origins and history of terrorism by:

- a. discussing the French revolution
- b. describing the Russian revolution
- c. defining anarchy
- d. discussing a class revolution

Competency 6: The student will demonstrate knowledge of regional terrorism by:

- a. discussing the history of the regions where terrorism exists
- b. describing the religions in areas where terrorism exists

Competency 7: The student will demonstrate knowledge of middle eastern terrorism by:

- a. discussing the demographics of the region
- b. identifying and describing the geography of the region
- c. discussing the ethnic group rivalries in the area

Competency 8: The student will analyze domestic terrorism by:

- a. identifying and describing traits of right wing extremism
- b. identifying and describing traits of left wing extremism
- c. describing animal rights extremism
- d. discussing eco-extremism

Competency 9: The student will demonstrate knowledge of terrorist weapons by:

- a. discussing weapons of mass destruction
- b. describing nuclear, biological, and chemical weapons
- c. analyzing cyber-terrorism

Competency 10: The student will demonstrate knowledge of counterterrorism techniques by:

- a. discussing intelligence gathering
- b. analyzing security precautions