The National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START) is now hiring a full-time faculty researcher to work at START’s headquarters at the University of Maryland, College Park. This is a full-time, non-tenure-track position, with an initial term of 12 months (starting in Fall 2009), with the possibility of renewing for an additional 12 months.

Responsibilities:
The faculty researcher will be a member of a research team engaged in a multiyear study of the evolution of extremist and terrorist movements and on the impacts of government countermeasures on the evolution of these movements. The faculty researcher will be involved in original data collection, as well as the review and validation of existing data. In addition, the faculty researcher will be expected to conduct both qualitative and quantitative analyses of these data to generate findings about the nature of extremist movements and the impacts of countermeasures.

The faculty researcher will report directly to a University of Maryland faculty member and will work closely with the leadership of START. The faculty researcher will also help to oversee related work being conducted by graduate students and undergraduate research interns.

Qualifications:
• Ph.D. (preference for those who have completed their doctoral programs as of Fall 2009, but applicants who are ABD and near completion of a Ph.D. program will also be considered)
• Graduate level coursework in areas related to terrorism and extremism
• Graduate level coursework in research design and methodology
• Experience working as part of a research team

In addition, preference will be given to those applicants who have demonstrated an ability to produce research of publishable quality using advanced statistical methodologies AND/OR advanced qualitative analysis methods. While the overall project will involve multiple methodologies, we will consider strong applicants whose work has relied heavily on one set of methodologies (either quantitative or qualitative). Preference will also be given to applicants with demonstrated experience in systematic data collection from a range of open-source resources.

The annual salary for this position will be in the range of $55,000 to $60,000 (depending on education and experience), plus full University of Maryland benefits (as explained at http://www.uhr.umd.edu/documents/new_hire_overview_exempt-faculty_rev_112508.pdf). The person selected for this position will work on site at START’s headquarters on campus at the University of Maryland, College Park.

Qualified applicants should submit a cover letter and CV via email (with subject line “GTD Research Assistant”) to infostart@start.umd.edu. Please include contact information for two references with your application.

Applicants will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled. Candidates are encouraged to apply by August 15, 2009 for best consideration.

Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. The University of Maryland is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer.