

# Advanced Education on the Causes, Dynamics and Impacts of Terrorism



The National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START) is dedicated to training and mentoring a new generation of scholars and analysts capable of examining questions related to the behavior of terrorists and terrorist groups and to the issue of how societies can best prepare for dealing with a terrorist threat or responding to a terrorist attack.

START's new Graduate Certificate in Terrorism Analysis provides participants with advanced education on the causes, dynamics and impacts of international and domestic terrorism. Participants also develop the methodological skills necessary to pursue advanced research on and analysis of terrorism.

The program consists of four required courses. Each course is offered once per calendar year, in an online, synchronous learning environment. The program can be completed in 12 months.

## Terrorist Motivations and Behaviors

*(Term 1: March 1, 2010 - May 21, 2010)*

Focuses on theories explaining the formation of terrorist groups and the motivations behind terrorist behavior.

## Societal Impact of and Responses to Terrorism

*(Term 2: June 1, 2010 - Aug. 21, 2010)*

Examines ways in which different actors respond to both terrorist incidents and to the threat of terrorism.

## Development of Counterterrorism Policy and Programs

*(Term 3: Sept. 1, 2010 - Nov. 21, 2010)*

Explores counterterrorism policies and policy making processes and actors since 2001.

## Research Methods in Terrorism and Counterterrorism

*(Term 4: Dec. 1, 2010 - Feb. 21, 2011)*

Provides students with a basic understanding of the methods of quantitative research available to social scientists studying terrorism and counterterrorism.

## The Program is Appropriate for:

- ▶ Individuals interested in (and/or currently) working in fields related to intelligence analysis, homeland security analysis, or analysis of other relevant topic areas; and
- ▶ Individuals interested in (and/or currently) conducting scholarly research on terrorism and responses to terrorism.

Interested in learning more?

Online Information Sessions

**April 22, 2010 12:00 pm EDT**

<https://startcenter.webex.com/startcenter/j.php?ED=135117127&RG=1&UID=1101888212&RT=MIMxMQ%3D%3D>

**April 22, 2010 4:30 pm EDT**

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Term 1 - apply by Jan. 15, 2010  
*(Nov.15 for international students)*

Term 2 - apply by May 15, 2010  
*(Feb. 15 for international students)*

Term 3 - apply by July 15, 2010  
*(May 15 for international students)*

## Requirements

Eligible applicants must have:

A 4-year baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited university or an equivalent foreign university

A 3.0 GPA or equivalent experience

No GRE is required.

## How to Apply

Complete the online application at:

<http://www.gradschool.umd.edu/gss/admission.html>

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