

Faculty	Management and Social Sciences	
Department	Sociology	
Course Title	Terrorism and Counter Terrorism	
Year of Study	4	
Course Code	CSS 424	
Credit Hours	2	
Contact Hours	30	
Mode of Delivery	Classroom Lectures	
Mode of Assessment		Weight%
Continuous Assessment		30%
Final Examination		70%
Total		100%
Course Lecture/Instructor	Mr. A. A. Ajibade	
Course Description	Security; the theory and practice of counter-terrorism studies; Domestic, regional and international challenges on Security; The changing nature of security in a digital world; and How to assess risk and potential threats.	
Course Objectives	At the end of this course students should be able to know Security; the theory and practice of counter-terrorism studies; Domestic, regional and international challenges on Security; The changing nature of security in a digital world; and How to assess risk and potential threats.	
Learning Outcomes	At the end of this course students will know Security; the theory and practice of counter-terrorism studies; Domestic, regional and international challenges on Security; The changing nature of security in a digital world; and How to assess risk and potential threats.	
Teaching and Learning	The class will meet for two hours each week. Class time will be used for a combination of lectures and practical sessions	
Detailed Course Content	Security; the theory and practice of counter-terrorism studies; Domestic, regional and international challenges on Security; The changing nature of security in a digital world; and How to assess risk and potential threats.	
Course Content Sequencing		
Weeks	Detailed Course Outline	Allocated Time
Week 1	Introduction to Security Concepts Overview of Security: Definitions and Scope Historical Perspective on Security The Role of Security in Modern Society	2 hours
Week 2	Theoretical Foundations of Security Security Theories: Realism, Liberalism, and Constructivism Human Security vs. National Security Security Dilemmas and Cooperation	2 hours
Week 3	Counter-Terrorism Studies Understanding Terrorism: Definitions and Motivations Counter-Terrorism Strategies and Tactics Case Studies in Counter-Terrorism	2 hours

Week 4	Domestic Security Challenges Threats to National Security: Domestic Extremism and Terrorism Cybersecurity Threats: Protecting Critical Infrastructure Law Enforcement and Intelligence Agencies' Role	2 hours
Week 5	Regional Security Challenges Conflict and Security in Different World Regions Regional Organizations and Security Cooperation Case Studies on Regional Security Issues	2 hours
Week 6	International Security Challenges Global Security Threats: Nuclear Proliferation, Climate Change, Pandemics International Organizations and Peacekeeping Efforts Contemporary Issues in International Security	2 hours
Week 7	The Digital World and Security Cybersecurity Fundamentals The Changing Nature of Warfare in the Digital Age Case Studies on Cyber Attacks and Responses	2 hours
Week 8	Technology and Security Surveillance Technologies and Privacy Concerns Artificial Intelligence in Security and Surveillance Emerging Technologies and Their Impact on Security	2 hours
Week 9	Assessing Risk and Threats Risk Assessment Methodologies Threat Analysis: Identifying Vulnerabilities Risk Mitigation Strategies	2 hours
Week 10	Intelligence and Security The Role of Intelligence Agencies in National Security Intelligence Gathering and Analysis Ethics and Oversight in Intelligence	2 hours
Week 11	Future Trends in Security Anticipating Future Security Challenges Security in an Interconnected World Ethical and Legal Considerations in Security Policies	2 hours
Week 14	Examination	

RECOMMENDED MATERIALS

Week 1: Introduction to Security Concepts

Buzan, B., & Wæver, O. (2003). Regions and Powers: The Structure of International Security. Cambridge University Press.

Week 2: Theoretical Foundations of Security

Walt, S. M. (2017). Theories of International Politics and Zombies. Princeton University Press.

Paris, R. (2001). Human Security: Paradigm Shift or Hot Air?. International Security, 26(2), 87-102.

Week 3: Counter-Terrorism Studies

Hoffman, B. (2018). Inside Terrorism. Columbia University Press.

Jackson, R. (2007). Writing the War on Terrorism: Language, Politics and Counter-Terrorism. Manchester University Press.

Week 4: Domestic Security Challenges

Alexander, Y., & Carlton, D. S. (Eds.). (2013). The Nexus of Economics, Security, and International Relations in East Asia. Routledge.

Clarke, R. A., & Knake, R. K. (2012). Cyber War: The Next Threat to National Security and What to Do About It. HarperCollins.

Week 5: Regional Security Challenges

Mearsheimer, J. J. (2001). The Tragedy of Great Power Politics. W. W. Norton & Company.

Waltz, K. (1979). Theory of International Politics. Addison-Wesley.

Week 6: International Security Challenges

Freedman, L. (2015). Strategy: A History. Oxford University Press.

United Nations. (2020). The United Nations and the Rule of Law in International Affairs. United Nations.

Week 7: The Digital World and Security

Schneier, B. (2015). Data and Goliath: The Hidden Battles to Collect Your Data and Control Your World. W. W. Norton & Company.

Rid, T. (2013). Cyber War Will Not Take Place. Oxford University Press.

Week 8: Technology and Security

Singer, P. W., & Friedman, A. (2014). Cybersecurity and Cyberwar: What Everyone Needs to Know. Oxford University Press.

O'Harrow Jr, R. (2005). No Place to Hide: Behind the Scenes of Our Emerging Surveillance Society. Free Press.

Week 9: Assessing Risk and Threats

Douglas, M., & Wildavsky, A. (1982). Risk and Culture: An Essay on the Selection of Technological and Environmental Dangers. University of California Press.

Covello, V. T., & Merkhofer, M. W. (2003). Risk Assessment Methods: Approaches for Assessing Health and Environmental Risks. Springer.

Week 10: Intelligence and Security

Richelson, J. T. (2015). The US Intelligence Community. Westview Press.

Johnson, L. K. (2017). Failing to Win: Perceptions of Victory and Defeat in International Politics. Harvard University Press.

Week 11: Future Trends in Security

Schwartz, W. (1996). Information Warfare: Chaos on the Electronic Superhighway. Thunder's Mouth Press.

Healey, J., & Marcus, A. (Eds.). (2018). The Future of Cybersecurity: Protecting Against the Next Attack. Routledge.