

Courses

Terrorism and Security in Africa

Course Description:

This course provides an in depth look at the nature and evolution of terrorism in Africa. Topics covered will include recruitment, anti-terrorism agencies/initiatives, the ramifications of colonialism on modern day terrorism, the state of security on the continent, gender roles in terrorism, and state sponsored terrorism.

Course Objectives:

To review the origins and evolution of terrorism throughout the continent, specifically examining the cultural and historical aspects that helped fuel modern day terrorism. Students will be able to:

- Assess the historical context from which modern day terrorism emerged on the continent.
- Analyze the cultural components that influence terrorism and security.
- Identify different domestic anti-terrorism agencies and initiatives.
- Evaluate different terrorist organizational strategies for logistics, recruitment, and ideological support.
- Assess the impact that terrorism in Africa has on the international community.
- Discuss and perform targeted research into various domestic and international anti-terrorism policies.
- Research various factors that contribute to the rise of extremism on the continent, including gender, religion and education.

Assignments:

Assignments include short response papers for undergraduate students and a research paper for graduate students. Exams and reading quizzes will also be used to evaluate students.