

## Terrorism and Political Violence

### Programme Requirements:

<b>Terrorism and Political Violence - MLitt</b>
IR5902 (30 credits) <b>and</b> (IR5901 (30 credits) <b>or</b> IR5922 (30 credits)) <b>and</b> 60 credits from International Relations optional MLitt Modules <b>and</b> IR5999 (60 credits)

### Compulsory modules:

IR5902 Research Methods				
<b>SCOTCAT Credits:</b>	30	SCQF Level 11	<b>Semester</b>	1
<b>Academic year:</b>	2018/9			
<b>Planned timetable:</b>	3.00 pm Mon (lecture) 10.30 am - 11.30 and 11.30 to 12.30 pm Tue (tutorial)			
This module will present appropriate research methods to enable students to critically understand the professional literature, and to lay the foundations to enable students to engage in further research. The broad aim of this module is to provide students with sufficient research skills to identify, read and understand professional literature, and to undertake their own research activities. It will introduce critical elements of research methodology, introduce and develop skills in qualitative and quantitative research methodologies, describe and illustrate literature and documentation search and retrieval strategies, and provide an introduction to the role of the intelligence analyst as a practical example.				
<b>Learning and teaching methods of delivery:</b>	<b>Weekly contact:</b> 1-hour lecture and 1.5-hour tutorial per week + advertised office hours plus online material.			
<b>Assessment pattern:</b>	Coursework = 100%			
<b>Module coordinator:</b>	Dr J Argomaniz			

IR5999 Dissertation for Terrorism and Political Violence MLitt Programme				
<b>SCOTCAT Credits:</b>	60	SCQF Level 11	<b>Semester</b>	Full Year
<b>Academic year:</b>	2018/9			
<b>Availability restrictions:</b>	Available to Terrorism Studies students only.			
<b>Planned timetable:</b>	3 x supervision sessions, at times to be arranged with the supervisor plus access to online dissertation teaching materials.			
This module allows students to undertake an in-depth investigationresearch into issues within or related to the field of Terrorism Studies and to prepare a 15,000 000-word (approximately) dissertation. The dissertation will make use of skills acquired during the Postgraduate Diploma to identify, investigate, analyse and report upon an area of contemporary concern or interest. Supervision of the dissertation will be provided.				
<b>Learning and teaching methods of delivery:</b>	<b>Weekly contact:</b> Individual supervision.			
<b>Assessment pattern:</b>	Coursework (Dissertation) = 100%			
<b>Module coordinator:</b>	Dr J Argomaniz			

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One of:

<b>IR5901 Fundamental Issues and Structures of Terrorism</b>				
<b>SCOTCAT Credits:</b>	30	SCQF Level 11	<b>Semester</b>	1
<b>Academic year:</b>	2018/9			
<b>Planned timetable:</b>	11.00 am Mon (lecture), 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm and 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm Tue (tutorials)			
<p>This module is designed to present core conceptual issues. These issues will include: Terrorism as a field of study - emergence and evolution; Definitional, conceptual, typological and theoretical issues; History of Terrorism; Ideology, Religion and Terrorism; Terrorist Organisations and Campaigns - stand-alone terrorism and terrorism combined with guerrilla warfare and political party work; Terrorism and Democracy - legal and human rights issues; Terrorism and Repression - counter-insurgency and counter-terror; Terrorism and Domestic and International Conflict - asymmetric warfare and humanitarian issues; Terrorism and Crime - linkage and law enforcement issues; Terrorism and Communication - propaganda and psychological warfare. We will cover three structures in relation to these concepts. Inside terrorist organisations and their support groups: Profiles of the most active terrorist groups - case studies. The structure of the international system and international counter-terrorist measures. Victims of terrorism and their national and transnational support organisations.</p>				
<b>Learning and teaching methods of delivery:</b>	<b>Weekly contact:</b> 1-hour lecture, 1.5-hour tutorial per week + advertised office hours, plus online teaching materials.			
<b>Assessment pattern:</b>	Coursework = 100%			
<b>Module coordinator:</b>	Dr F P Lehr			
<b>Module teaching staff:</b>	Various			

<b>IR5922 Terrorism after 1945</b>				
<b>SCOTCAT Credits:</b>	30	SCQF Level 11	<b>Semester</b>	1
<b>Academic year:</b>	2018/9			
<b>Planned timetable:</b>	2.00 pm Thu (seminar) and 3.00 pm - 4.00pm (tutorial) Thu			
<p>This module will provide students with an overview of the evolution, characteristics, and decline of terrorist movements and campaigns since 1945 by looking at different forms of terrorism (ethnic, religious, social-revolutionary) as well as the responses that both states and international organisations have developed in order to cope with it. The module will also address state and state-sponsored terrorism and the problems that arise once a state actor is involved in terrorism. Moreover, it will examine why and under what circumstances terrorism and antiterrorism responses have been successful. Finally, students will take part in a simulation of UN antiterrorism negotiations in which they will represent a country, research this country's experience with and stance on terrorism and advance the respective government's key interest regarding a comprehensive UN antiterrorism convention.</p>				
<b>Learning and teaching methods of delivery:</b>	<b>Weekly contact:</b> 2-hour seminar + advertised office hours			
<b>Assessment pattern:</b>	Coursework = 100% (including presentation worth 20%)			
<b>Module coordinator:</b>	Dr B Blumenau			

**For Optional modules see: International Relations optional modules 2018-2019**