

# CJ394E01 Terrorism Syllabus



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<b>Academic Term &amp; Year</b>	<b>Spring 2019/2020 (Jan – May 2020)</b>
<b>Course Prefix &amp; Number</b>	CJ394E01
<b>Course Title</b>	Terrorism
<b>Time &amp; Location of Class Meeting</b>	Online
<b>Instructor's Contact Information</b>	
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<b>Office Hours:</b>	Mondays 10:00am – 12:00pm; 2:00 – 3:30pm Tuesdays 2:00 – 5:00pm Wednesdays 10:00am – 12:00pm; 2:00 – 3:30pm or By Appointment at least 6 hours in Advance
<b>Office Phone Number:</b>	662-254-3368
<b>E-Mail Address:</b>	Canvas E-Mail (Preferred) or <a href="mailto:jliu@mvsu.edu">jliu@mvsu.edu</a>
<b>Course Prerequisites</b>	
<b>Technology Skills</b>	Basic computer skills, working within Windows system environment, navigating the internet, and familiarity with E-mail.
<b>Course Description</b>	A survey of the history of national and international terrorism. Motives of terrorists, operational strategies and control strategies.
<b>Expected Student Learning Outcomes</b>	This course is designed to acquaint students with: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. the history of terrorism;</li> <li>2. the factors and types of terrorism;</li> <li>3. the basic skills of investigation of terrorism.</li> <li>4. the perspective of technology, policy, and law</li> </ol>

	on controlling terrorism.
<b>Course Requirements</b>	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Jonathan R. White, <i>Terrorism and Homeland Security</i> , 9 <sup>th</sup> Edition (Cengage Learning, 2017). ISBN-13: 978-1305633773. ISBN-10: 1305633776.
<b>Class Attendance Policy:</b>	<p>You are expected to log in regularly (daily, perhaps several times per day) to submit assignments, check grades, personal messages, and view course materials.</p> <p>Student(s) who fail to participate in the online course during a course week will be deemed absent for that week. The absence will be annotated as <u>absent unexcused</u> (AU), unless the professor has been informed beforehand and deemed the absence as <u>absent excused</u> (AE). The professor shall report all absences to the main campus as required. A student who has not participated for 7 consecutive days regardless if the absences were deemed AU or AE shall be recommended for administrative withdrawal to the main campus. In a traditional classroom just because a student contacts the professor and is excused from a scheduled class meeting does not mean the student is given credit for participation or attendance. The student is still annotated as AU or AE. <b>The online classroom shall be no different in this respect.</b> It is the professor's sole discretion as to what he/she shall consider AU or AE.</p>
<b>Submission of Assignments:</b>	<p><b>Scheduled assignments MUST be completed and successfully submitted through the Canvas Assignment Tool</b> (drop box) by due date and time. Assignments automatically become unavailable after the due date/time expires.</p> <p>All assignments MUST be keyed using MS Word or saved as a .DOC or DOCX file and no multiple submissions will be allowed.</p> <p><b>1. DISCUSSIONS</b></p> <p>All discussions are assigned as short essays and corresponding interactive discussions.</p> <p><b>Submit all of your short discussion essays as an</b></p>

**attached file.**

Topics, Guidelines, and Rubric for discussion essays will be issued separately.

The Rubric (Online Discussion Rubric) is applied for all discussion essays.

Interactive discussions may not be bound by the Rubric but should be clear at least without grammar, spelling, or typing errors.

**Do NOT submit interactive discussion as an attached file.**

## **2. QUIZZES**

All quizzes consist of multiple choice questions.

**Be certain to read ALL pertinent materials prior to taking quizzes. Not doing so will certainly lead to disappointing results.**

## **3. CLASS REPORT**

**Submit Class Report as an attached file.**

Students are required to write a **Class Report** on a topic addressing issues concerning **terrorism and control**. The paper should fully discuss the issue or topic to the comprehension of a lay person.

**Guidelines & Topics of Class Report will be issued separately.**

The paper is to follow the APA style. For information on APA style, consult:

<http://www.wisc.edu/writing/handbook/DocAPARefereces.html>.

The **Class Report** must consist of a minimum of 6 different citations from at least 2 different hard-copied academic journals and/or research books in the APA format. It must be **6 double-spaced pages**.

The textbook of this course can be used as a

	<p>required reference book for this report.</p> <p>Please note that spelling, punctuation, sentence structure, grammar, and the general content will factor prominently in determining the report grades. Please note that plagiarism (making intellectual use of material that originated with another author without citing the source) is a serious intellectual offense and will be addressed accordingly, that is to the highest punitively academic degree. Any act of plagiarism may result in an automatic “F” grade.</p>								
<p><b>Make-up Policy:</b></p>	<p>Make up maybe allowed, depending on the circumstances with an excuse as the University policies (institutionalized in The MVSU Student Handbook) defined. Following the University policies, it is at the professor’s discretion to grant the students’ request for make-up before or, on some occasions, after the deadlines of quizzers, exams, or assignments.</p>								
<p><b>Course Drops/Incompletes:</b></p>	<p>Students not completing the course for any reason are required to submit official drop notices to the Registrar’s Office prior to the deadline date. <b>This is your responsibility.</b> Failure to comply with the procedure <u>WILL</u> result in your receiving a letter grade of “F”.</p>								
<p><b>Cheating and Plagiarism Policy:</b></p>	<p>Cheating in any fashion will not be tolerated, including but not limited to plagiarizing another’s words, work or ideas on individual class assignments.</p> <p>To address the situation of plagiarism, the University has implemented <i>Turnitin</i> to fight plagiarism and improve reading, writing, and research skills. <i>Turnitin</i> is a comprehensive plagiarism prevention system that lets faculty quickly and effectively check all students’ work. Results are based on exhaustive searches of billions of pages from both current and archived instances on the Internet.</p> <p>Plagiarism will result in at least a failing grade for the assignment(s) and/or course.</p>								
<p><b>Evaluation Procedures</b></p>	<table border="1" data-bbox="813 1717 1455 1892"> <tr> <th colspan="2" data-bbox="813 1717 1455 1787"><b>Evaluation Standards/Grading Scale:</b></th> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="813 1787 1084 1822">Total Points</td> <td data-bbox="1084 1787 1455 1822">100</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="813 1822 1084 1858">A</td> <td data-bbox="1084 1822 1455 1858">90 – 100%</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="813 1858 1084 1892">B</td> <td data-bbox="1084 1858 1455 1892">80 – 89%</td> </tr> </table>	<b>Evaluation Standards/Grading Scale:</b>		Total Points	100	A	90 – 100%	B	80 – 89%
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	F	Below 60%
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	<b>Assessments &amp; Points of Evaluation</b>	
	The final grade will be determined by evaluating the following Assessments.	
	<b>Assignments for Assessments/Evaluation</b>	<b>Points</b>
	Six short Class Discussion Essays and Corresponding Interactive Discussions (Each is worth 4 points)	<b>24</b>
	Six Class Quizzes (Each is worth 6 points)	<b>36</b>
	One Middle-Term Exam Quiz	<b>10</b>
One Final Exam Quiz	<b>20</b>	
One <b>Class Report</b>	<b>10</b>	
<b>Total Points — 100</b>		
<b>Online Communication Observation of “Netiquette”:</b>	<p>Students MUST use the course email for contact with the instructor and other members of the class.</p> <p>All your Online communications should be composed with fairness, honesty and tact. What you put into an Online course reflects on your level of professionalism.</p>	
<b>Technical Problems:</b>	<p>If you experience technical/computer difficulties (<i>need help downloading browsers or plug-in, logging into your course, using your course web site tools, or experience errors or problems while in your online course</i>), contact campus support <b>662-254-3114</b> as well as your instructor.</p>	
<b>Course Access</b>	<p>Access Canvas course at <a href="https://mvsu.instructure.com/login/canvas">https:// mvsu. instructure. com/login/canvas</a> or <a href="http://www.mvsu.edu">www.mvsu.edu</a> click on Canvas for detailed instructions regarding assignments.</p>	

<p><b>Teaching/Learning Strategies</b></p>	<p>The primary instructional model for this course is collaborative learning.</p> <p>Specifically, the professor will set course content, course objectives, and methods of classroom assessment. The course will incorporate the following instructional strategies: class discussion, online activities, assigned readings, quizzes, and/or individual projects. Students are encouraged to actively participate in activities, ask questions, and contribute comments for discussion. Students are also encouraged to offer input regarding instructional strategies and assignments.</p> <p>Most importantly, it is students' responsibility to be active learners and to ask for clarification when they have any questions. In order to be successful in the class, it is important that students must read the assigned material, submit assignments and participate in discussions of what they have read. The goal of this approach is to develop a safe learning environment that addresses a variety of learning styles, promotes critical thinking, and fosters creativity.</p>																				
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<p><b>ADA Statement</b></p>	<p>Mississippi Valley State University is committed to providing reasonable accommodations for students with a documented disability. If a student has a disability that qualifies under the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) and requires accommodations, he/she should contact the Services for Students with Disability Office to obtain this</p>																				

	<p>service. Disabilities covered by the ADA may include learning, physical, psychiatric, vision, hearing, or chronic health disorders. Students who are uncertain if their condition/disability is qualified should contact the SSD Office.</p> <p>Mrs. Kathy Brownlow/ ADA Coordinator  Social Science Building Office 105  Phone/e-mail: 662-254-3443, kbrownlow@mvsu.edu.</p>
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### Course Schedule

Weeks (Jan - May 2020)	Topics/Readings (Including Related Video Watching) /Assignments	Time (Expect A Student Will Spend for the Topics)
Week 1 (January 13 – 17) <a href="#">January 13 Classes Begin.</a>	<p><b>Topics:</b> The Shifting Definition of Terrorism</p> <p><b>Required Readings:</b> <a href="#">Chapter 1</a></p>	3 Hours (180 Minutes)
Week 2 (January 20 – 24) <a href="#">January 21 - Martin L. King Holiday.</a>	<p><b>Topics:</b> The Shifting Definition of Terrorism Practical Criminology, Radicalization, &amp; Types of Terrorism</p> <p><b>Required Readings:</b> <a href="#">Chapters 1 &amp; 2</a></p> <p><b>Assignment:</b> Class Discussion Essay 1</p>	4 Hours (240 Minutes)
Week 3 (January 27 – 31) <a href="#">January 28 Registration Closes</a> <a href="#">Last Day to Drop/Add Courses.</a>	<p><b>Topics:</b> Terrorist Financing &amp; Money Laundering</p> <p><b>Required Readings:</b> <a href="#">Chapter 3</a></p> <p><b>Assignment:</b> Class Quiz 1</p>	3 Hours (180 Minutes)
Week 4 (February 3 – 7)	<p><b>Topics:</b> Terrorism &amp; the Media</p> <p><b>Required Readings:</b> <a href="#">Chapter 4</a></p> <p><b>Assignment:</b> Class Discussion Essay 2</p>	3 Hours (180 Minutes)
Week 5 (February 10 – 14)	<p><b>Topics:</b> Force Multipliers, Gender Roles, &amp; Tactics</p> <p><b>Required Readings:</b> <a href="#">Chapter 5</a></p>	3 Hours (180 Minutes)

	<b>Assignment:</b> Class Quiz 2	
Week 6 (February 17 – 21)	<b>Topics:</b> Long Term Separatist Terrorism <b>Required Readings:</b> <a href="#">Chapter 6</a> <b>Assignment:</b> Class Discussion Essay 3	4 Hours (240 Minutes)
Week 7 (February 24 – 28)	<b>Topics:</b> Nationalistic & Endemic Terrorism <b>Required Readings:</b> <a href="#">Chapter 7</a> <b>Assignment:</b> Class Quiz 3	3 Hours (180 Minutes)
Week 8 (March 2 – 6) <a href="#">Middle-Term Exam Week.</a>	<b>Middle-Term Exam Week</b>  Middle-Term Exam Quiz  Cover: <a href="#">Chapters 1 – 7</a>	3 Hours (180 Minutes)
Week 9 (March 9 – 13)	<b>Spring Break</b>	4 Hours (240 Minutes)
Week 10 (March 16 – 20) <a href="#">March 18 – 20 Online Registration and Academic Advisement Begins for Summer I, Summer II 2018-19 &amp; Fall 2019-20.</a>	<b>Topics:</b> Background to the Middle East <b>Required Readings:</b> <a href="#">Chapter 8</a> <b>Assignment:</b> Class Quiz 4	3 Hours (180 Minutes)
Week 11 (March 23 – March 27) <a href="#">March 28 Last Day to Withdraw from a Class.</a>	<b>Topics:</b> Nationalistic & Endemic Terrorism Background to the Middle East  <b>Required Readings:</b> <a href="#">Chapters 7 – 8</a>  <b>Assignment:</b> Class Discussion Essay 4	4 Hours (240 Minutes)
Week 12 (March 30 – April 3) <a href="#">April 4 Last Day to Withdraw from the University.</a>	<b>Topics:</b> Terrorism in Israel & Palestine <b>Required Readings:</b> <a href="#">Chapter 9</a> <b>Assignment:</b> Class Quiz 5	4 Hours (240 Minutes)
Week 13 (April 6 – 10) <a href="#">April 11</a>	<b>Topics:</b> Terrorism in Israel & Palestine	3 Hours (180 Minutes)



<p>Founder's Day Convocation Research Day. April 8 – 12 Founder's Week</p>	<p>Revolutionary &amp; Counterrevolutionary Terrorism</p> <p><b>Required Readings:</b> Chapters 9 &amp; 10</p> <p><b>Assignment:</b> Class Discussion Essay 5</p>	
<p>Week 14 (April 13 – 17) April 19 Good Friday</p>	<p><b>Topics:</b> Jihadist Networks Domestic Terrorism</p> <p><b>Required Readings:</b> Chapters 11 &amp; 12</p> <p><b>Assignment:</b> Class Quiz 6</p>	<p>33 Hours (1980 Minutes - <b>Research Paper</b> needs at least 30 hours during the period from posting the guidelines to your final submission.)</p>
<p>Week 15 (April 20 – 24) April 22 Easter Monday (Classes Resume at 6:00pm) April 23 – 25 Final Exam for Seniors.</p>	<p><b>Topics:</b> Introduction to Homeland Security</p> <p><b>Required Readings:</b> Chapter 13</p> <p><b>Assignments:</b> Class Discussion Essay 6</p> <p><b>Class Report – Due on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020</b></p>	<p>No Assignments</p>
<p>Week 16 (April 27 – 30) Final Exam for Non-Seniors &amp; due May 1.</p>	<p><b>Final Exam Quiz for Graduating Seniors</b> Cover: Chapters 1 - 13</p>	<p>3 Hours (180 Minutes)</p>
<p>Week 17 (May 4 – 8)</p>	<p><b>Final Exam Week</b> Final Exam Quiz Cover: Chapters 1 - 13</p>	<p>4 Hours (240 Minutes)</p>
<p><b>Total Time: 81 Hours (5040 Minutes)</b></p>		
<p><b>Final Comments</b></p> <p>This syllabus is not a contract. It is only a guideline. The professor reserves the right to make changes and additions (depending on the needs and level of the class) to this syllabus at her/his discretion. If changes are necessitated during the term of the course, you will be notified of changes via Canvas mail.</p>		