

**NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY
ADJ 244 –TERRORISM RESPONSE PLANNING (3 CR.)**

Course Description

Builds an understanding of terrorism, and the past, present and future national international responses to terrorism and the defense against it. Teaches the knowledge and skills necessary to assist State and local emergency managers in planning for and managing a response to a terrorist incident. Lecture: 3 hours per week

General Course Purpose

The objective of this course is to examine basic concepts and principles of terrorism preparedness and response, as well as to identify some specific practical considerations. The course will review past, present and future national and international response to terrorism and the defense against it. It will review case studies including plausible scenarios, typical first response activities and examine national, state and local emergency plans for managing a response to a terrorist incident.

Course Prerequisites/Corequisites

This course does not require a prerequisite but it is recommended that students have successfully completed or tested at ENG 111 level and have basic computer literacy skills.

Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, the student should be able to:

- Identify some plausible terrorist scenarios
- Describe the main initial first response activities (for both public health and public safety)
- Identify practical issues that should be part of an emergency response plan
- Understand the historical origins of national and international terrorist threats as well as their response plans

Major Topics to be Included

- History of terrorism and terrorism threat plans
- Bomb Threat/Incident Management
- Hazard and Vulnerability Assessment: Assessing the Terrorism Threat and Risk
- Mitigation and Prevention: anti-terrorism Strategies and Activities Based
- On Hazard and Vulnerability Assessment
- Terrorism Response Plan Development: Counter-terrorism Strategies and Tactics
- Incident Command System (ICS)
- Crisis Monitoring and Management
- First Responder Awareness
- Terrorism Planning and Annex Development
- Development of First Responder Field Operations Guides
- Development of Emergency Operations Center Staff Position Guides
- Terrorist Hazard and Vulnerability Assessments complete with GIS Mapping
- Mitigation Planning and Strategies for the Terrorist Threat
- Design and Procedures for Community "Crisis Monitoring" for Terrorist Activities