

PSS301 Countering Violent Extremism in Southeast Asia

Level: 3

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JAN

Synopsis:

PSS301 Countering Violent Extremism in Southeast Asia covers specific topics pertaining to terrorism in Southeast Asia. By understanding the evolution of radicalism and terrorism within the region, students will be able to gain deeper knowledge on cultural issues and considerations in combating terrorism in Southeast Asia. This course also covers de-radicalisation, crime diversion and rehabilitation strategies.

Topics:

- Introduction to insurgency, radicalisation/terrorism in Southeast Asia
- Origins, magnitude and evolution of the threat
- Radicalism in Southeast Asia
- Threat of homegrown radicals
- Theories related to radicalisation in Southeast Asia
- Psychological aspects of radicalisation and de-radicalisation
- Online radicalisation
- Challenges in addressing radicalisation
- Counter radicalisation measures
- Effectiveness and challenges
- Rehabilitation and community partnership
- Strategies and outcomes

Textbooks:

Acharya, A.: Whither Southeast Asia Terrorism? (2015) 1st Edition World Scientific Publishing Co
ISBN-13: 9781783263899

Gunaratna, R.: Handbook of Terrorism in the Asia-Pacific 1st Edition Imperial College Press
ISBN-13: 9781783269969

Learning Outcome:

- Examine the different terror threats facing Southeast Asia
- Distinguish contributing factors leading to radicalisation
- Assess counter terrorism measures
- Explore strategies based on the theoretical understanding of radicalisation in Southeast Asia
- Compare the different terror groups specific to Southeast Asia
- Identify ways to prevent radicalisation and assess effectiveness of intervention programmes

Assessment Strategies (Daytime Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	PRE-COURSE QUIZ 1	5
	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 1	20
	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 2	20
	DISCUSSION BOARD 1	5
Overall Examinable Components	Written Exam	50
Total		100