Lamar Institute of Technology



Guest Lecturer Noel Whelan, M.A. K.M.S.T.A.

International Counter Terrorism & Security Advisor

From Dublin, Ireland

Noel is returning to Southeast Texas on a national tour to lecture on anti and counter terrorism. Mark your calendar to come listen to an expert on combating terrorists. You will be instructed by a man with years of military experience having served in Irish defense forces & British military, where he lectured to senior officer's and military intelligence on insurgency/counter insurgency techniques, tactics and strategies & Terrorism both anti (prevention) and counter (responding to) Terrorism. Noel has firsthand experience protecting critical infrastructure with over 20 years experience dealing with anti and counter terrorism methods. Noel holds a Master of Arts degree in Terrorism & Security from the University of Leeds United Kingdom. He has lectured to LIT Homeland Security majors in the past. Noel also has taught members of the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department SWAT team, and lectured to members of the United States Coast Guard.

Seminar Outcomes: Terrorism & State Responses

In this lecture, Noel begins by examining the causes and effects of international terrorism and the risks potential terrorists may have to undertake before an attack. As the search for an acceptable International definition continues, Noel discusses why it's important to develop a pragmatic approach to countering terrorists as well as an intellectual understanding of the phenomenon to guide operations. In his lecture Mr. Whelan also discusses who has the potential to become a terrorist and how we can differentiate between an Insurgent and a terrorist. By analyzing the difference, you will see why terrorists seek to create mass casualties by attacking the Civilian population of a state and their desire to gain legitimacy for their crimes. Before a state begins to counter terrorism with a response, counter terrorism personnel must learn to assess what motivates terrorists and the risks of countering terrorism. This will allow the state to minimize casualties by introducing effective counter measures before responding because "Brute force without wisdom falls beneath its own weight."

Open to: Military Personnel, Law Enforcement, Prison Officers, Private and Corporate Security, Homeland Security, Maritime and Shipping Personnel, Fire and Emergency Services, Finance Officers, Petrochemical Managers, and Students

When: November 4, 2013 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Where: Lamar Institute of Technology - Multi-Purpose Center Rm 159

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How: Reserve your space by calling 409 839-2967

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