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COURSE OUTLINE

1. COURSE PREFIX and NUMBER: **ADJ 234** CREDIT HOURS: 3
2. COURSE TITLE: **Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism**
3. PREREQUISITES: ADJ 100, Survey of Criminal Justice; ADJ 107, Survey of Criminology or equivalent
4. COURSE DESCRIPTION: Surveys the historical and current practices of terrorism that are national, transnational, or domestic in origin. Includes biological, chemical, nuclear, and cyber-terrorism. Teaches the identification and classification of terrorist organizations, violent political groups, and issue-oriented militant movements. Examines investigative methods and procedures utilized in counter-terrorist efforts domestically and internationally. Lecture 3 hours per week.
5. CONTENT: (Major Headings)
 - a. Origins of Terrorist Groups Historically and Presently
 - b. Past and Future Terrorist Activities and Weapons
 - c. Criminal Justice Efforts to Control Terrorist Activities Domestically and Internationally
 - d. Actions that Can Be Taken to Minimize Terrorist Activities in the Local, State, National, International Arenas
6. GENERAL COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

 - a. differentiate between terrorism and other criminal activity.
 - b. identify and differentiate terrorist organizations, violent political groups, and issue-oriented militant movements.
 - c. identify the potential terrorist activities in the future to include biological, chemical, nuclear, and cyber-terrorism.
 - d. identify those organizations--locally, nationally, and internationally--that have a role in counter-terrorist efforts.
 - e. identify those measures that will assist in limiting the effects of terrorist activities at the local, state, national, and international levels.