# **Course Syllabus**

1. **Program of Study** Bachelor of Arts (Social Science)

Faculty/Institute/College Mahidol University International College

2. Course Code ICSO 374 Course Title Revolution, Terrorism and the State

3. Number of Credits 4 (Lecture / Lab) (4-0)

**4. Prerequisite** (s) None

**5. Type of Course** Major elective for IS concentration

6. Trimester / Academic Year TBA

## 7. Course Description

A brief historical survey of revolution and terrorism; Theories of revolution and terrorism; A critical examination of political theory regarding the rights and wrongs of revolt and terrorism; The relationship between the modern state, revolution and terrorism.

## 8. Course Objective (s)

- 1) To introduce students to the obligations of states.
- 2) To study why revolutions occur.
- 3) To study why terrorism occurs.
- 4) To arrive at a clear idea of what terrorism is.

#### 9. Course Outline

Week	Topic		Instructor
	Lecture	Hour	mstructor
1	Introductory; The established state (old regime and its problems)	4	Jones
2	The revolutionary situation and how it comes about; the role of force	4	
3	Insurrections, popular uprisings, coups d'etat and liberation wars	4	
4	Universal harmony (the honeymoon); Terror and Thermidor	4	
5	Theories of revolution revisited	4	
6	Terror, terrorism, state sponsorship (concepts and definitions)	4	
7	The role of guerilla warfare (Che Guevara); Carlos Marighella and the use of terrorism in revolution	4	
8	Case studies of terrorism The ethics of terrorism	4	
9	Revolutionary, terrorist and criminal; National and international terrorism	4	
10	Counter - terrorism measures; Legal, strategic and tactical considerations	4	
11	The dialectics of terror / terrorism; Goals, objectives and agendas	4	
	Total	44	

## 10. Teaching Method (s)

Lecture and discussion.

## 11. Teaching Media

Texts, transparencies, videos.

### 12. Measurement and evaluation of student achievement

The standard scale of 90 - 100 = A, 85 - 89 = B+, 80 - 84 = B, etc. 60 is required to pass.

### 13. Course evaluation

Grading will be based on two in - class exams (45% each) and contribution to discussion 10%.

### 14. Reference (s)

- 1. Crane Brinton, Anatomy of a Revolution, Vintage, 1965 New York (text)
- 2. Jonathan Barker, No Nonsense Terrorism, New Internationalist, 2002, London (text)
- 3. David Whittaker, *The Terrorism Reader*, Rutledge, 2002 London (reference)
- 4. Articles by Che Guevara and Carlos Marighella (handouts)

### 15. Instructor (s)

Eugene Jones

### 16. Course Coordinator

Eugene Jones