MA in Terrorism, Security and Radical Right Extremism (subject to validation)

Taught by Richmond in partnership with The Centre for Analysis of the Radical Right

Summary

This MA is a unique opportunity for students to gain an in-depth knowledge of the theories, debates and practical issues associated with radical right extremism, one of the top security concerns today for governments on a global scale. Combined with a broader exploration of terrorism and security, it will equip students either for further study or a career in specialist roles such as counter-terrorism or positions within a wide range of international relations organisations.

Programme Structure

The MA in Terrorism, Security and Radical Right Extremism is structured as follows:

Fall Semester - Three core courses (12 credits)

- Insurgency, Civil War, and Terrorism
- Security & Insecurities: Bodies, Identities, Images
- Evolutions in Radical Right Ideology

Spring Semester - Three core courses (12 credits)

- Research Methodology
- Contemporary Radical Right Politics and Parties
- Countering Terrorism, Extremism and Hate Crimes

Summer Semester (12 credits)

Internship and/or Research Thesis

Programme Information

Duration

One year full-time.

September to September.

Location

Kensington facility. Additionally, off-site locations may be used in London as part of the practical element of the programme, as well as trips overseas (COVID-19 permitting).

Entry requirements

US Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution, or UK first degree, with minimum second-class honours, or an overseas equivalent as determined by the University. Relevant work experience is welcomed and may, on occasion, be accepted in lieu of a first degree, but is not required.

Scholarships

See richmond.ac.uk for details of scholarships available.

Contact details

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Appendix A: Select Programme Intern Partners (Subject to Availability)

The Centre for Analysis of the Radical Right is the leading network of scholars and practitioners working on right-wing extremism. Interns have the opportunity to learn and develop experience across several work strands, including publications, podcasting and updating Fellows. Available for May 2022 start.

The Institute for Strategic Dialogue (ISD) is an independent, non-profit organisation dedicated to safeguarding human rights and reversing the rising tide of polarisation, extremism and disinformation worldwide. Interns will be integrated into a number of projects across ISD and learn about countering violent extremism, social cohesion and/or disinformation, data analysis and report writing qualitative and quantitative research methods.

Rantt Media is an independent media company that seeks to create community through common understanding with journalism and conversation. Interns will garner experience in content creation, marketing, and social media. Available for May 2022.

Fair Observer is an independent, nonprofit media organization that engages in citizen journalism and civic education. With fact-checking and a rigorous editorial process, we provide diversity and quality in an era of echo chambers and fake news. Internships include commissioning and editing content and producing multimedia features.

Tech Against Terrorism works to support the global tech industry in tackling terrorist use of the internet whilst respecting human rights. With the support of Public Safety Canada, Tech Against Terrorism is currently building the Terrorist Content Analytics Platform, which interns may be able to assist in developing.

Human Rights First is a non-profit, non-partisan international human rights organization with a track record of success in delivering change that has made a meaningful difference in people’s lives. Interns will learn open source research skills and aid the organization in investigating extremism in the military and veteran communities in the U.S. Interns will learn open source research skills and aid the organization in investigating extremism in the military and veteran communities in the U.S.
The Khalifa-Ihler Institute is a global peace-building organization working for thriving and inclusive communities. Our key focus rests in the prevention of violence and the celebration of diversity as an integral aspect of thriving communities. Interns have the possibility to work on projects on different topics, such as education in countering hate-speech online and analysis of the global far-right.

The Global Internet Forum to Counter Terrorism (GIFCT) brings together the technology industry, government, civil society, and academia to foster collaboration and information-sharing to counter terrorist and violent extremist activity online. As such, GIFCT is seeking a part-time spring intern to support its research, programming, and technological activities.