



Anti-Terrorism Officer (ATO) Course

Special 2-Week Webinar Program

29 November – 10 December 2020



Background

On 29 November-10 December 2020, the S2 Institute, in conjunction with the International Association of Counterterrorism and Security Professionals (IACSP), will be presenting a special 2-week webinar edition of the 40-hour S2 Anti-Terrorism Officer (ATO) Course using the Zoom web conferencing system.

This special course will be conducted over the two-week period, Sundays-Thursdays, according to the following daily time schedule:

US Eastern Standard Time	08:00-11:00
Central European Time	14:00-17:00
Eastern European Time/Cairo	15:00-18:00
Gulf Central Time	17:00-20:00

The S2/IACSP Anti-Terrorism Officer (ATO) Course is designed to prepare security and law enforcement professionals for assignments involving the protection of facilities against terrorist attack. This program provides a detailed exploration of contemporary terrorist methods and essential skills and knowledge that all anti-terrorism personnel should possess.

Who Should Attend?

Security Professionals, Military Force Protection Personnel, Homeland/Internal Security Professionals, and Police Personnel Assigned to Anti-Terrorism Activities

Learning Objectives

Students attending the S2/IACSP Anti-Terrorism Officer Course will acquire the following skills and competencies:

- Recognizing risks associated with contemporary terrorism including an in-depth understanding of contemporary terrorist modus operandi
- Identifying general security requirements essential to reducing terrorism related risk
- Assessing facility risks and utilizing risk management principles in anti-terrorism planning
- Implementing Operations Security (OPSEC) and protective counterintelligence principles to impair terrorists' ability to gather target intelligence, including:
 - Implementing appropriate sound information security principles
 - Recognizing possible attempts to collect target intelligence
 - Documenting suspicious activity
 - Investigating and analyzing trends of suspicious activity
- Performance-based physical security design as applicable to anti-terrorism
- Screening and searching entrants at facility and building entry points, including:
 - Implementing facility access control procedures
 - Questioning entrants and identifying behavioral signs of deception
 - Recognizing indications of falsified or altered identity documents
 - Safely searching hand-carried objects at access control points
 - Safely searching vehicles at access control points
 - Using technical aids for conducting search and screening
- Identifying hazardous devices, possible device components, and risks associated with hazardous devices
- Recognizing indications of terrorist attack or impending terrorist events, including:
 - Recognizing possible hazardous device deliveries
 - Screening mail and deliveries for indications of potential hazards
 - Recognizing indications of chemical or biological attack
- Safely responding to terrorist incidents and facility-level security response planning:
 - Bomb threats
 - Suspicious hand-carried objects
 - Suspicious vehicles (Possible vehicle bomb deliveries)
 - Suspicious mail
 - Unopened mail
 - Possible contaminated mailings (after opening)
 - Post-Blast Response
 - Chemical/Biological/Radiological attack (Indoor Aerosol/Vapor)
 - Chemical/Biological/Radiological attack (Outdoor Aerosol/Vapor)
 - Chemical/Biological/Radiological attack (Covert)

What Will You Receive?

In addition to 40-hours of instruction, all students participating in the S2/IACSP Anti-Terrorism Officer Course will receive the following:

- Certificate of Completion suitable for framing
- Course notebook PDF including over 250 pages of slides and reference material
- Digital library archive including security assessment tools and calculators and over 20,000 pages of reference documents related to course topics.
- 1-Year Membership in the International Association of Counterterrorism and Security Professionals (IACSP), including one-year subscription to Counterterrorism & Homeland Security International magazine.
- Application Fee Waiver for the IACSP Certified Anti-Terrorism Officer (cATO) certification (US\$30 value)

IACSP Certified Anti-Terrorism Officer (cATO®) Professional Certification



In addition to providing 40-hours of instruction on topics essential to protecting facilities against terrorist attack, the S2/IACSP Anti-Terrorism Officer (ATO) course is designed to prepare program participants for independent certification through the International Association for Counterterrorism and Security Professionals Certified Anti-Terrorism Officer (cATO®) Program. In order to be awarded with the IACSP cATO™ certification, eligible candidates are required to complete and successfully pass a 100-question examination based on content included in the IACSP/S2 Institute ATO course.

Information about the IACSP Certified Anti-Terrorism Officer application, examination, and certification process is available online: www.catocertification.org.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Attending the S2/IACSP Anti-Terrorism Officer course does not guarantee award of IACSP cATO® certification. All course graduates pursuing certification after attending the program must meet essential eligibility criteria and complete the independent application and certification process including successful completion of the cATO® examination.

About the Instructor



Craig S. Gundry, PSP, cATO®

Craig Gundry is the S2 Institute's lead instructor for anti-terrorism subjects and the Vice President of Special Projects for Critical Intervention Services (CIS). Mr. Gundry is responsible for directing CIS consulting and training projects pertaining to terrorism, critical infrastructure security, and managing risks of mass homicide.

Prior to joining CIS, Mr. Gundry was the President of Palladium Media Group, a company specializing in consulting on explosive, chemical, and biological terrorism. Mr. Gundry's expertise in anti-terrorism began as a specialist in force protection and anti-terrorism with the United States Army.

Mr. Gundry is the author of the acclaimed Bomb Countermeasures for Security Professionals CD-ROM and numerous publications on terrorism-related topics. Mr. Gundry is also a court-qualified expert witness on physical security and risk management and provides frequent expert commentary on terrorism and weapons of mass destruction issues for news media organizations including Al-Jazeera, BBC, CNN, The Blaze, and Fox News Network.

As an instructor, Mr. Gundry has been training security and public safety professionals in terrorism-related issues for over 19 years. His previous students have included over 3,000 security professionals, facility managers, military personnel, police officers, and government officials from over 50 nations.

How does the webinar system work?

1. During the week prior to the class, you will receive instructions for participating in the webinar through the Zoom video conferencing system.

The confirmation email will include a list of Zoom access links and conference codes for each day of the program. You will also receive a link for downloading the course notebook in PDF format and the ATO reference documents archive.

2. On Sunday, 29 November, all participants will log into the system fifteen minutes prior to the class start for a roll call and group introduction before the class begins. To join the session, simply use the provided link or enter the date-specific conference code for the meeting when Zoom is first launched.
3. The instructor will manage the meeting including display of the MS PowerPoint presentation for the program. During the lecture session, student microphones will be muted. A ten-minute break will be conducted every hour. During each break, students will have the option of participating in a question and answer session.
4. After the program concludes on Thursday, 10 December 2020, you will receive a scanned PDF of your Certificate of Completion. The original copy will be sent by trackable mail.

Enrollment

Tuition: USD \$1,100 *(Group discounts available. Contact us for details.)*

To enroll in the S2/IACSP Anti-Terrorism Officer (ATO) Course, use our secure online registration and payment system:

http://www.s2institute.com/content/_pages_advanced/_courses/ato_webprgm20.php

Students may also enroll by completing the attached enrollment form and returning it by email to: ashley@s2institute.com

Questions regarding enrollment may be submitted to the S2 Institute by email: info@s2institute.com