Linda M. Reynolds Terrorism Studies Scholarship

Call for Applications, 2021-22

The Center on Terrorism at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY, is pleased to invite applications for the Linda M. Reynolds Terrorism Studies Scholarship for the 2021-22 academic year.

The scholarship provides $2,000 annually to be used for tuition, fees and other educational expenses. The scholarship will be disbursed in two $1,000 installments during the fall 2021 and spring 2022 semesters.

The scholarship is open to full-time or part-time graduate students, enrolled in the Advanced Certificate in Terrorism Studies at the commencement of the scholarship. To be eligible, students must be in good academic standing and able to commit up to 40 hours in the fall and spring semesters of the scholarship.

The scholarship offers a range of educational benefits. This includes providing administrative support and research assistance to John Jay faculty at the Center on Terrorism.

The deadline for applications is July 1, 2021. Further information, including how to apply, is provided below. Please email terrorism@jjay.cuny.edu with any queries.

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About Linda M. Reynolds

Linda M. Reynolds received her M.A. in Criminal Justice from John Jay College in 1980. She began her criminal justice career that same year as a Probation Officer in the New York Supreme Court’s Pre-Sentence Investigations Unit. In 1987 she was selected to head the Manhattan Warrants and Field Services Unit, eventually being promoted to Assistant Director of the Field Services and Warrant Investigations Units for the boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn and Staten Island. During her tenure, she was selected to become a certified Firearms and Police Instructor.
In 1990, Ms. Reynolds was appointed Chief Deputy Sheriff in the New York City Sheriff’s Office, the first African-American and woman in the history of the United States to be appointed to such leadership roles. She was the Sheriffs’ Office Armourer and Chief Firearms Instructor.

Chief Reynolds participated in the response, rescue and recovery operation at Ground Zero following the 9/11 terrorist attacks. “Being a first responder at the World Trade Center, and seeing the towers collapse and people dying, that’s something that stays with you for a lifetime,” says Chief Reynolds. Understanding the missed connections and opportunities that led to deadliest attacks on American soil, she vowed to do something about it.

Chief Reynolds retired from the NYC Sheriff’s Office and is currently self employed as a security consultant. She established the Linda M. Reynolds Terrorism Studies Scholarship to help train future leaders to better understand terrorism and develop strategies and policies for countering and preventing it.

About the Center on Terrorism

The Center on Terrorism was founded in the wake of the September 11, 2001 attacks, during which the College lost 67 students and alumni members. The Center is the only university-based entity devoted to terrorism research and education in the New York City area. The Center hosts the Friday Seminar Series which brings to John Jay leading researchers and practitioners active in the field of terrorism studies and counter-terrorism. The series is linked to John Jay’s Advanced Certificate in Terrorism Studies which offers a distinctive graduate-level program of study for those seeking to enhance their credentials and better understand terrorism and counter-terrorism.

About the Scholarship

Award Amount: $2,000 annually to be used for tuition, fees and other educational expenses. The scholarship will be disbursed in two $1,000 installments during the fall and spring semesters

Educational Benefits:
1. Experiential internship opportunity providing administrative and research support to John Jay faculty at the Center on Terrorism
2. Develop planning, coordination and outreach skills by supporting the Center on Terrorism’s Friday Seminar Series and other events
3. Provide research assistance for faculty at the Center on Terrorism developing and undertaking projects on terrorism and counter-terrorism
4. Continuing education through seminars and events, including networking with researchers, practitioners, John Jay faculty and administrators, and alumni
Eligibility:
- Full-time or part-time graduate student
- Enrolled in the Advanced Certificate in Terrorism Studies at the commencement of the scholarship
- Minimum good academic standing
- Ability to commit to up to 40 hours per fall and spring semesters to the internship

How to Apply
- Visit the [John Jay Scholarships site](https://www.johnjay.cuny.edu/scholarships) and search for the Linda M. Reynolds Terrorism Studies Scholarship
- Complete the John Jay College General Scholarship Application
- Provide your résumé or CV
- Arrange for two letters of recommendation (at least one letter from a John Jay professor)
- Submit a 500-word essay, answering the following questions:
  1. Why did you select your particular major or program?
  2. How will your studies allow you to achieve your academic and professional goals?
  3. How will the Scholarship allow you to attain these goals?
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