



**James Martin Center
for Nonproliferation Studies**
Middlebury Institute of International Studies
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Issues in Chemical and Biological Nonproliferation: Short Course for Practitioners

The James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies (CNS) announces the second course in its 2015 series designed for practitioners in the field of nonproliferation of weapons of mass destruction. The series is being offered to US Government personnel, including fellows working at US Government agencies. Washington-based officials from a number of foreign embassies will also be invited to participate.

This course is intended for professionals with modest previous experience in the field of chemical and biological weapons issues and is also open for applicants who have completed the introductory course in the 2015 series. This course will be offered on **May 4-8, 2015**, at the Washington, DC, office of CNS.

The course will cover:

- characteristics of chemical and biological weapons, with case histories of key state and sub-national actor weapons programs;
- major traditional and non-traditional disarmament and non-proliferation tools, addressing their past and present implementation challenges;
- advances in science and technology, along with the policy challenges they present for preventing the proliferation of these weapons;
- major issues in health security; and
- issues associated with the deliberate use of chemical and biological weapons, including attribution of responsibility and response.

The course will involve a mix of lectures and panels, with ample opportunity for interaction with the instructors. The course will be taught by senior CNS staffers and expert guest speakers. Classes will run from 9 AM to 5 PM daily, with a one-hour break for lunch. Participants will receive a certificate of completion at the conclusion of the course.

Application Procedure

To apply, interested individuals should send the following materials to **cnsdc@miis.edu**:

(1) Short bio/resume/CV; (2) Letter of nomination from their organization; and (3) One paragraph describing their past experience in the field and explaining how the course would support their professional duties and development.

Application deadline: **April 20, 2015**. Successful applicants will be notified shortly thereafter.

Additional Information

The next course in the series will be "Issues in Nuclear Nonproliferation," scheduled for July 6-10, 2015. [Date has been corrected]

The courses are being offered free of charge to qualified applicants.