

2018 CTC AIAD Descriptions

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI)

FBI Kansas City Division Joint Terrorism Task Force

The Kansas City Division is a mid-sized FBI office and its Joint Terrorism Task Force ("JTTF") currently consists of both international and domestic terrorism squads. The JTTF's focus is on the investigation of persons and organizations which are suspected of crimes and, as appropriate, supporting prosecution efforts against them. As such, the daily focus is more tactical, rather than operational or strategic. What that means on a day-to-day basis is a bit hard to predict. While we have several long-term investigations, our work also depends on what's come in the door recently: if it's urgent, we have to drop those long-term projects to deal with the more urgent matters. Nonetheless, our general aim is to give interns a well-rounded exposure to the post-9/11 operating environment.

To do that, we have interns do the work we do, within reason, i.e., not putting them in danger or making them testimonial witnesses. In the past, cadets have done guided analytic work and research, gone with us to interview a human source and collected evidence. More specifically, the 2014 interns were able to be on-site observers of a court-ordered search, although it should be understood the timing of such opportunities clearly is dependent on operational - not training - needs. In the intervening two years, that case has further developed and the 2016 interns were able to work with us as we - and an interagency team - refined an investigative and prosecution strategy against the investigative subject. As a consequence, the interns were given assignments that involve interaction with the public. For example, a key element for proving the case will turn on when a small business ceased to operate. On a hunch, we sent the interns to a county courthouse to interview officials with the appraiser's office. They did so skillfully and returned with a public record which memorializes the business owner's representation that certain personal property should not be subject to taxation because the business ceased to operate in the year prior to the period for which the tax was being assessed. With that evidence in hand, we also sent the interns to a suburban city hall to conduct parallel interviews of the office that issues municipal business licenses. That interview reinforced the information from the county and will be highly persuasive if a trial becomes necessary. In this same case, the 2016 interns also analyzed imagery of several search locations and identified temporal inconsistencies which were evident from their study of photos taken at different times.

Additionally, we schedule field trips for the interns - both to see how CT theory translates into practice and to provide some exposure to DoD operations. As for the former, we try to give them some understanding of how the counter-terrorism mission is split between Homeland Security (we've gone to the airport to get an orientation on TSA's operations, but have also met with the people at Secret Service who are responsible for identifying and evaluating critical infrastructure, as well as visiting a fusion center), the private sector (we've met with the financial intelligence unit at a local bank holding company for a money laundering orientation), the FBI (we also book orientation time with all the non-JTTF squads) and the U.S. Attorney's Office (in the past, interns have witnessed the entry of a guilty plea by a co-conspirator to an attempted bombing of Fort Riley, Kansas, had an office call with the criminal chief of a U.S. Attorney's Office and sat in on a brown bag luncheon on evaluating witness credibility). Additionally, pop-

up field trip opportunities present themselves, so interns have gone to regional hostage negotiation competitions and built - and detonated - an improvised explosive device at a field training exercise for bomb technicians. As for DoD field trips, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas is nearby, so interns have toured the U.S. Disciplinary Barracks (the military's maximum security prison where Major Nidal Hassan is serving his sentence) and been exposed to the operations of the Army's Command and General Staff College, there. In 2016, interns were also able to visit an unmanned aerial vehicle squadron at nearby Whiteman AFB and discuss how their kinetic operations support forces currently deployed overseas.

FBI New York Joint Terrorism Task Force

The New York Office is the largest and most active Field Division in the FBI. The Counterterrorism Division of the New York Office is the host to the original Joint Terrorism Task Force. Formed in 1980, it has grown in size and scope since that time to currently encompass members from 53 different agencies, over 500 people, under one roof addressing both domestic and international terrorism matters both here in the homeland and abroad. The JTTF's focus is on the investigation of persons and organizations which are suspected of crimes and, as appropriate, supporting prosecution efforts against them. The JTTF's sole focus is to keep the American public safe and uphold the Constitution. The intent is to expose Cadets to the post-9/11 counterterrorism operating environment, develop a deeper understanding of the interrelated nature of networked authorities to refine mitigation options and lay the groundwork for a budding professional network beyond strictly military lanes.

In order to accomplish these goals, interns will work side by side with Agents, Intelligence Analysts, Task Force Officers and support personnel on matters currently being addressed by the Task Force. The Cadets will take part in multi-agency operational briefings and strategy sessions, foreign liaison activity, special event planning and execution and exposure across the full depth of the counterterrorism work being done in New York which incidentally, makes up approximately 20% of the CT work nationally. Cadets will accomplish guided analytic work and research, human intelligence collection and evidence retrieval.

The New York JTTF has robust relationships across the Counterterrorism spectrum in New York. As such, Cadets will interact with numerous agencies and departments during their time here to include DIA, JSOC, CIA, DSS, DHS, DoS as well as NY State Police, Port Authority Police and NYPD in both NYPD Intel Division as well as the Counterterrorism Bureau. This exposure and ability to directly interact will provide a rich and unique experience for the Cadet intern seeking to understand the interagency contributions in a CT context beyond a strictly military application model.

FBI Counterterrorism Fly Team

Background: On June 21, 2002, the FBI Director announced to Congress the establishment of the Fly Team as a significant counterterrorism initiative under the reorganization plan to refocus the Bureau's mission and priorities following the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

What is it exactly? A small, highly trained cadre of counterterrorism investigators—including special agents and intelligence analysts—based at FBI Headquarters who stand ready to deploy anywhere in the world on a moment's notice.

Fly Team mission: To bring the FBI's strategic and tactical counterterrorism capabilities to bear in partnership with other U.S. government agencies and foreign partner-nation entities in critical overseas locations to detect, penetrate, and disrupt terrorist networks.

What specific training and skills do Fly Team members have?

- Counter-terrorism subject matter expertise;
- Advanced interview and interrogation;
- Human intelligence operations;
- Evidence collection and sensitive site exploitation;
- Digital media exploitation and forensics;
- Explosive post blast investigations;
- Biometrics;
- Advanced tactical and force protection skills;
- Advanced medical training;
- Tactical evasive driving;
- Hostage survival and resistance training;
- Foreign language skills (Arabic, French, Somali, Spanish);
- Foreign weapons knowledge and proficiency; and
- Advanced surveillance techniques.

Any cadet that conducts an internship with us should expect to get involved in some of this training.

FBI Chicago Field Office

The program attempts to give the Cadet interns a broad introduction to the FBI's four major investigative programs Criminal, Counter Terrorism, Cyber, and Foreign Counter Intelligence as well as many of the collateral duties an FBI Special Agent could be involved with (Evidence Response, SWAT, Crisis Management, Crisis Negotiation, etc.). During the three weeks the Cadet will be in Chicago they will be assigned to an Organized Crime squad. As such they will be expected to contribute by doing research and other projects in support of some of our Organized Crime cases. These cases vary in scale and complexity as the squad is responsible for investigating Russian, Asian, African, Middle Eastern, and Italian Organized Crime to name a few. The case projects will be the backdrop for the rest of the program.

At the beginning of the internship Cadets are provided a calendar which lists times of the various events they will get exposed to during their time in Chicago. Each day, the Cadets are exposed to either a new program or a new collateral duty - often multiple in the same day. No day is the same because each event varies. Sometimes they won't be in the office the entire day and other days they will be in the office the entire day and have time to work on the case project.

An example of what might be considered a more typical day would be arriving at 8:30a and starting work on their case project. At 10a they would meet with our Human Intelligence (HUMINT) Team to go over source recruitment and handling. Lunch time and location would be at the discretion of the HUMINT Team Leader. After lunch the Cadets would then get an orientation from a Cyber Squad on how they run their investigations and some of the techniques

they use. Should there be time after lunch before the Cyber Squad orientation or time after the Cyber Squad orientation and the end of the day the Cadets would fill the time working on their assigned case project for the Organized Crime squad. Another day the Cadets might be out with the Crisis Management coordinator observing and assisting with a training event involving various Federal, State, and Local agencies.

FBI Washington Field Office

The AIAD at the Washington Field Office (WFO) will give the Cadets a broad introduction to the FBI's five major investigative missions: Criminal, Counter Terrorism, Cyber, Counter Intelligence and Intelligence. In addition to this, it will also expose the Cadets to the collateral missions of the FBI and the assignments and positions FBI Special Agents have to conduct these missions (Evidence Response, SWAT, Crisis Management, Crisis Negotiation, etc.).

For the AIAD, the Cadets will be assigned to the WFO Safe Streets Task Force - the drug and violent crime task force consisting of the FBI, ATF, US Park Police, Washington DC Metropolitan PD, Prince George's County PD and Arlington County PD. As such they will be expected to contribute by doing research and other projects in support of some of our violent crime and narcotics investigations. In addition to assisting ongoing criminal investigations, the Cadets will be briefed on previous cases for teaching purposes and case studies on how FBI criminal investigations are conducted.

The Cadets will also be partnered up with Special Agents on other squads that investigate different violations and will be briefed on their missions and on previous and ongoing investigations.

At the beginning of the program, the Cadets will be provided a calendar which lists dates and times of the various events they will get exposed to during their time at WFO. Each day, the Cadets will be exposed to either a new program or a new collateral duty - often multiple in the same day. The schedule will be fluid based on WFO's operational tempo and the availability for briefings and mission assistance and observation.

FBI Phoenix Division

The AIAD at the FBI Phoenix Division will give the Cadets a broad introduction to the FBI's major investigative missions to include Criminal and Counter Terrorism (Domestic and International). In addition to this, it will also expose the Cadets to the collateral missions of the FBI.

For the AIAD, the Cadets will be assigned to one or more investigative missions with ability to rotate among the different teams or squads to get a full sense of the scope of the FBI's day-to-day operations. Cadets will be expected to contribute by doing research and other projects in support the squads and the teams they work with. Given the fast paced nature of the FBI office and the ever evolving cases they undertake, cadets will experience a variety of different investigations that may not be determined until they arrive or may change at a moment's notice. Cadets will shadow agents during investigations and will go out in the field. They will be able to watch and take part in searches once scenes have been secured but will not be put in harm's way or in a position which would require them to be forced to testify.

Ultimately, cadets can be assured that they will be busy and will contribute to the overall success of the division.

OTHER INTERAGENCY

National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC)

The National Counterterrorism Center's (NCTC) Directorate of Intelligence (DI) provides internship opportunities geared toward a cadet's interests and career goals. The DI focuses on regional, tactical, and strategic intelligence to produce integrated and interagency-coordinated analytic assessments on terrorism issues and we provide warnings, alerts, and advisories as appropriate. Cadets will learn about analyzing intelligence and creating intelligence reports and bulletins for senior US government officials. Depending on the interest of the Cadet, they could focus on cyber, technical, or chemical CT, extremism, CT strategy, or a specific region in the world. If they are interested in the support aspect of Intelligence, we also have opportunities in production and other multimedia specialties. Interested cadets can find more information on Counterterrorism in our "Counterterrorism Guide" (<https://www.nctc.gov/site/index.html>) and go to <https://www.nctc.gov/overview.html> to learn more about the NCTC mission.

White House – National Security Council

Cadets will work for one of two directorates: Middle East or South & Central Asian Affairs and will be treated as a detailee rather than an intern. Cadets will be expected to research and complete multiple information memoranda on a variety of subjects which will internally support the efforts of senior directors and deputy advisors to the President as well as the National Security Advisor. Cadets will learn about the interagency process and will be expected to coordinate with several agencies to compile the information necessary to complete these supporting documents. Cadets will attend meetings and complete readout reports based on the meetings which will inform biweekly reports sent to the National Security Advisor. Cadets could also be expected to set-up read ahead packets for senior leader meetings with visitors.

New Jersey Office of Homeland Security & Preparedness

Interns will be exposed to all facets of the State homeland security and preparedness mission. They will interact with senior government officials and various government agencies as well as receive training and career development opportunities. Cadets will be expected to make a capstone presentation at the end of their AIAD. Cadets will have the opportunity to work in one of several bureaus, to include:

Analysis Bureau – Produces accurate, timely, and actionable intelligence that aims to detect and deter terrorist activity in New Jersey. (Suggested Majors: Political Science, Criminal Justice, International Relations, Economics)

Collection & Dissemination Bureau – Aims to protect New Jersey residents and infrastructure by providing communities, the private sector, and federal, state, county and local law enforcement with information tailored to address a variety of hazards. The Bureau focuses on soft targets where many people gather, such as malls, casinos, stadiums and arenas. The Bureau encourages

reciprocation and engages new partners, especially to increase suspicious activity reporting. As such, the Bureau manages a 24/7 Counterterrorism Watch operation that works collaboratively with the state fusion center to gather, process and share Suspicious Activity Reports with law enforcement agencies at the local, county, state and federal levels. (Suggested Majors: Political Science, Criminal Justice, Communications, International Relations)

Communications Office – Charged with engaging internal and external stakeholders to enhance visibility and public awareness of NJOHSP’s programs and initiatives. (Suggested Majors: Communications, Marketing, Graphic Design)

Grants Management Bureau – Charged with the efficient and effective management and administration of federal and state homeland security funding to enhance New Jersey’s capability to prevent, protect, respond and recover from acts of terrorism and other catastrophic incidents. (Suggested Majors: Business, Finance, Accounting, Homeland Security)

Infrastructure Protection & Training Bureau – Responsible for developing, administering, and coordinating training and exercises for Homeland Security and Preparedness stakeholders, while supporting the protection, preparedness and resiliency of New Jersey’s critical infrastructure and key resources through the implementation of the National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP) in cooperation with federal, state, local and private sector partners. (Suggested Majors: Criminal Justice, Homeland Security, Law and Public Safety)

Interoperable Communications Bureau – Responsible for managing and implementing the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) and JerseyNet – a mobile, deployable, and interoperable public safety broadband network for public safety first responders. Key partners are NJOHSP, the New Jersey Office of Information Technology, and the New Jersey State Police. (Suggested Majors: Business Administration, Homeland Security, Communications)

Information Technology Bureau – Charged with managing all networks and computer systems at NJOHSP; including providing audio, video, and programming services for in-house applications and Geographic Information Systems products. (Suggested Majors: Computer Science, Information Systems, Geographic Information Systems, Network Administration)

New Jersey Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Cell – Within NJOHSPs Cybersecurity Division, the New Jersey Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Cell (NJCCIC) is the State’s one-stop shop for cybersecurity information sharing, threat analysis and incident reporting, bringing together analysts and engineers to promote statewide awareness of local cyber threats and widespread adoption of best practices. (Suggested Majors: Computer Science, Engineering, Information Security, Cybersecurity)

Operations Bureau – Detects and deters terrorist activity in New Jersey through intelligence collection and law enforcement strategies. (Suggested Majors: Criminal Justice, Political Science, Psychology, Homeland Security)

Preparedness Bureau (Newark, NJ) – Monitors, researches, and analyzes relevant homeland security trends to implement strategic recommendations for enhancing the State’s overall preparedness. (Suggested Majors: Homeland Security, Urban Planning, Public Policy)

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Intelligence Agency, Defense Combating Terrorism Center

The Defense Intelligence Agency's Defense Combating Terrorism Center is interested in qualified applicants from West Point to participate in a 4-6 week internship at a national-level intelligence agency. Interns from West Point will have the opportunity to work alongside professional civilian and military intelligence analysts focused on trans-regional counterterrorism analysis.

The incumbent serves as an Intelligence Specialist (Terrorism) with responsibility of performing complex studies and analysis related to terrorism intelligence for a geographic area of responsibility. As such, the incumbent applies a wide range of intelligence analytic skills to monitor, assess, and report on all-source strategic and operational intelligence pertaining to counterterrorism; or terrorist financing operations, internal security, methods, organizational facilities, and personalities involved in terrorism financing production, processing and flow; or terrorist tactics and operational capabilities to include internal security, organizational facilities, and personalities involved in terrorism tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTP) in a designated geographical area to support national-level counterterrorism planning and operational missions of U.S. and host-nation customers. In conjunction with senior analysts, develops and/or recommends complex analytical approaches to problems and situations for which data are incomplete, controversial, or which no precedents exists.

Cadets interested in the Military Intelligence Branch, or the Army Foreign Area Officer program would greatly benefit from exposure to the strategic intelligence development cycle. Cadets will gain an understanding of how intelligence supports US policymakers and analytic structures and processes.

National Security Agency (NSA) – Counterterrorism Division

- Assist in the assessment and refinement of partner counterterrorism interactions: Identifying key areas of collaboration and knowledge gaps; recommending areas of emphasis for the Agency and with key partners.
- Counter - Unmanned Aerial Systems (C-UAS): Work with DoD partners and Agency organizations to understand problem-areas and recommend approaches to countering adversarial uses of C-UAS.
- Assessing the FY’18 CT Strategy and begin the preparation of the FY’19 CT Strategy.

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