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Professional Summary

Internationally recognized scholar of security studies with leadership and management experience involving diverse teams of professional and support staff, public speaking, media interviews, strategic planning and assessment, and curriculum development. Highlights include:

- Editor-in-Chief (2025-present) of the scholarly journal [Terrorism and Political Violence](#).
- Published over 20 books and dozens of articles and reports on security studies-related topics including terrorism, homeland security, digital influence warfare, counterterrorism, weapons of mass destruction, defense politics, and organizational knowledge transfer.
- Developed and launched the MA/MS degree program in Security Studies (2012), and a Ph.D. program Terrorism Studies option (2014) at the University of Massachusetts Lowell
- Founded the Center for Terrorism and Security Studies at the University of Massachusetts Lowell (2013) and served as its Interim Director (2015-2016).
- Served as a member of the academic leadership team at the U.S. Military Academy that launched the Combating Terrorism Center at West Point; served as Director of Terrorism Studies (2004-2010); developed and implemented new Minor in Terrorism Studies program.
- Launched the international peer-reviewed journal [Perspectives on Terrorism](#) (2007), with Alex Schmid and Robert Wesley; served as Associate Editor (2010-2012), Co-Editor (2012-2022) and Editor-in-Chief (2023-2025) of this scholarly journal.
- Guest lectured at Princeton, Dartmouth, Georgetown, St. Andrews, JSOU, JFK School for Special Warfare (Ft. Bragg), UNICRI Research Institute (Algiers), Raytheon Corp., FBI Senior Executive Retreat, Joint Forces Command, George C. Marshall European Center For Security Studies, National Defense Intelligence University, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, Army Science Board and many other institutions and organizations in the U.S., Europe and Latin America.

Academic Appointments

2013-Present **Professor**, School of Criminology & Justice Studies, UMass Lowell

2011-2013 **Associate Professor**, School of Criminology & Justice Studies, UMass Lowell

2010-2011 **Visiting Associate Professor**, Department of Criminal Justice, UMass Lowell

2004-2010 **Associate Professor**, Department of Social Sciences, U.S. Military Academy

2001-2004 **Assistant Professor**, Department of Social Sciences, U.S. Military Academy
1998-2001 **Adjunct Instructor**, Department of Political Science, Franklin Pierce
University

Administrative and Professional Positions

- 2023-Present **Director**, Graduate Program in Security Studies, UMass Lowell
2015-2016 **Interim Director**, Center for Terrorism & Security Studies, UMass Lowell
2013-2017 **Director**, Graduate Program in Security Studies, UMass Lowell
2004-2010 **Director of Terrorism Studies**, U.S. Military Academy (West Point, NY)
2001-2004 **Assistant Dean for Academic Assessment**, U.S. Military Academy
1998-2001 **Special Assistant to the President for Planning and Strategic Analysis**, Franklin Pierce University (Rindge, NH)
1996-1998 **Director of Technology**, National Center for Urban Partnerships (New York)
1994-1996 **Policy Analyst**, Massachusetts Board of Higher Education (Boston)

Other Affiliated Positions

- 2010-present **Visiting Professor**, Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy, Tufts University
2025-present **Editor-in-Chief**, *Terrorism and Political Violence* (academic journal)
2023-present **Senior Fellow**, International Center for Counterterrorism, the Hague (the Netherlands)
2023-present **Proposal Reviewer**, DHS Center for Accelerating Operational Efficiency
2023-present **Editor-in-Chief**, *Perspectives on Terrorism* (academic journal); also served as Associate Editor (2010-2012) and Co-Editor (2012-2022)
2020-2022 **Member of the Academic Research Working Group**, Global Internet Forum for Combating Terrorism
2020-Present **Subject Matter Expert** for the European Observatory of Online Hate
2020-Present **Advisory Board Member** of the Detect then Act initiative
2010-2019 **Senior Fellow**, Joint Special Operations University

Education

- 1998 **Ph.D.**, *Higher Education Administration*, Boston College
1994 **M.A.**, *International Development Education*, Stanford University
1993 **B.S.**, *Foreign Service*, Georgetown University
1991 **A.A.**, *Liberal Arts*, De Anza College

Academic and Professional Publications

Books and Monographs

- 2022 Forest, James. J.F. *Digital Influence Mercenaries: Profits and Power Through Information Warfare*. Annapolis, MD: Naval Institute Press. ISBN: 9781682477229.
2021 Forest, James. J.F. *Digital Influence Warfare in the Age of Social Media*. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger Security International/ABC-CLIO. 324 pages. ISBN: 9781440870095.
2019 Forest, James. J.F. *The Terrorism Lectures (3rd Edition)*. Los Angeles, CA: Nortia Press. 412 pages. ISBN: 9781940503165.

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- 2015 Forest, James. J.F. *The Terrorism Lectures (2nd Edition)*. Los Angeles, CA: Nortia Press. 390 pages. ISBN: 9781940503066.
- 2014 Forest, James. J.F. *U.S. Military Deployments to Africa: Lessons from the Hunt for Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army*. Tampa, FL: JSOU Press. 86 pages. ISBN: 9781933749891. Available online at: <https://jsou.edu/Press/PublicationDashboard/108>
- 2014 Meservey, Joshua, James J.F. Forest and Graham Turbiville. *Countering the al-Shabaab Insurgency in Somalia: Lessons for U.S. Special Operations Forces*. Tampa, FL: JSOU Press. 145 pages. ISBN: 9781933749853. Available online at: <https://jsou.edu/Press/PublicationDashboard/114>
- 2013 Forest, James. J.F. (ed.) *Intersections of Crime and Terror*. London: Routledge. 190 pages. ISBN: 9780415639613.
- 2013 Forest, James J.F., Russell Howard and Joanne Moore (eds.) *Homeland Security and Terrorism: Readings and Interpretations (2nd Edition)*. New York: McGraw-Hill. 586 pages. ISBN: 9780078026294.
- 2012 Forest, James. J.F. *The Terrorism Lectures*. Los Angeles, CA: Nortia Press. 421 pages. ISBN: 9780984225293.
- 2012 Forest, James. J.F. *Countering the Terrorism Threat of Boko Haram in Nigeria*. Tampa, FL: JSOU Press. 176 pages. ISBN: 9781933749709. Available online at: <https://jsou.edu/Press/PublicationDashboard/132>
- 2012 Forest, James J.F. and Russell Howard (eds.) *Weapons of Mass Destruction and Terrorism (2nd Edition)*. New York: McGraw-Hill. 821 pages. ISBN 9780078026225.
- 2009 Forest, James. J.F. (ed.) *Influence Warfare: How Terrorists and Governments Fight to Shape Perceptions in a War of Ideas*. Westport, CT: Praeger Security International. 396 pages. ISBN: 9780313347313.
- 2008 Wilson, Isaiah III and James. J.F. Forest (eds.) *Handbook of Defence Politics: International and Comparative Perspectives*. London: Routledge. 469 pages. ISBN: 9781857434439.
- 2008 Howard, Russell and James J.F. Forest (eds.) *Weapons of Mass Destruction and Terrorism*. New York: McGraw-Hill. 598 pages. ISBN: 0073379700.
- 2007 Forest, James. J.F. (ed.) *Countering Terrorism and Insurgency in the 21st Century* (3 volumes). Westport, CT: Praeger Security International. 1,923 pages. ISBN: 0275990343.
- 2007 Forest, James J.F. (ed.). *Terrorism and Political Islam: Origins, Ideologies, and Methods*. A Counterterrorism Textbook for the New Agent Training Program of the FBI Academy, Quantico, VA. Washington, DC: FBI Counterterrorism Division, 652 pages.

- 2006 Forest, James. J.F. and Matthew V. Sousa. *Oil and Terrorism in the New Gulf: Framing U.S. Energy and Security Policies for the Gulf of Guinea*. New York: Lexington Press. 329 pages. ISBN: 0739109898.
- 2006 Forest, James. J.F. (ed.) *Teaching Terror: Strategic and Tactical Learning in the Terrorist World*. Boulder, CO: Rowman & Littlefield. 306 pages. ISBN: 0742540782.
- 2006 Forest, James. J.F. (ed.) *Homeland Security: Protecting America's Targets* (3 volumes). Westport, CT: Praeger Security International. 1,528 pages. ISBN: 027598768X.
- 2006 Forest, James J.F. and Philip G. Altbach (eds.) *International Handbook of Higher Education* (2 volumes). Dordrecht, the Netherlands: Springer Press. 1,660 pages. ISBN: 1402040113.
- 2005 Forest, James. J.F. (ed.) *The Making of a Terrorist: Recruitment, Training and Root Causes* (3 volumes). Westport, CT: Praeger Security International. 1,257 pages. ISBN: 0275985431.
- 2005 Howard, Russell, James J.F. Forest and Joanne Moore (eds.) *Homeland Security and Terrorism: Readings and Interpretations*. New York: McGraw-Hill. 492 pages. ISBN: 0071452826.
- 2002 Forest, James. J.F. and Kevin P. Kinser (eds.) *Higher Education in the United States: An Encyclopedia* (2 volumes). Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO Publishing. 831 pages. ISBN: 1576072487.
- 2001 Forest, James. J.F. *I Prefer to Teach: An International Study of Faculty Preference*. New York: Routledge. 289 pages. ISBN: 041593057X.
- 1998 Forest, James. J.F. (ed.) *University Teaching: International Perspectives*. New York: Garland Publishing. 458 pages. ISBN: 081532460X.

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- 2019 Forest, James J.F. "Crime-Terror Interactions in Sub-Saharan Africa," *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism* (October). <https://doi.org/10.1080/1057610X.2019.1678881>
- 2015 Asal, Victor, James J.F. Forest and Brian Nussbaum. "Why do Ethnopolitical Organizations Turn to Crime?" *Global Crime* 16(4). <https://doi.org/10.1080/17440572.2015.1081818>
- 2015 Idler, Annette I. and Forest, James J.F. "Behavioral Patterns among (Violent) Non-State Actors: A Study of Complementary Governance." *Stability: International Journal of Security and Development* 4(1). <http://dx.doi.org/10.5334/sta.er>
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- Forest, James J.F. "Threats from terrorists and other violent nonstate actors", in *Intermodal Maritime Security*, edited by Gary Gordon and Richard Young. London: Elsevier
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 - Dolnik, Adam and James J.F. Forest. "Conclusion and a Look to the Future," in *Weapons of Mass Destruction and Terrorism (2nd Edition)*, edited by James J.F. Forest and Russell Howard. New York: McGraw-Hill.
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- 2009 Forest, James J.F. "Sub-Saharan Africa," in *American National Security (6th edition)*, edited by Michael Meese and Suzanne Nielsen. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins Press, p. 443-461.
- Fishman, Brian and James J.F. Forest. "WMD and the Four Dimensions of Al-Qa'ida," in *Unconventional Weapons and International Terrorism: Challenges and New Approaches*, edited by Magnus Ranstorp and Magnus Normark. London: Routledge, p. 29-49.
 - Forest, James J.F. "Military Education: New Paradigms for a Post-9/11 World," in *The Impact of 9/11 on Psychology and Education*, edited by Matthew Morgan. London: Palgrave, p. 239-252.
 - Forest, James J.F. "Terrorist Use of WMD," in *The World's Most Threatening Terrorist Networks and Criminal Gangs*, edited by Mike Kindt, Jerrold Post and Barry Schneider. New York: Palgrave MacMillan, p. 93-119.
 - Forest, James J.F. and Frank Honkus, III, "Introduction," in *Influence Warfare: How Terrorists and Governments Fight to Shape Perceptions in a War of Ideas*, edited by James J.F. Forest. Westport, CT: Praeger Security International, p. 1-25.

- Geltzer, Joshua A. and James J.F. Forest, “Conclusion: Assessing the Conceptual Battlespace,” in *Influence Warfare: How Terrorists and Governments Fight to Shape Perceptions in a War of Ideas*, edited by James J.F. Forest. Westport, CT: Praeger Security International, p. 343-356.
- 2008
- Forest, James J.F. “Knowledge Transfer and Shared Learning Among Armed Groups,” in *Armed Groups: Studies in National Security, Counterterrorism, and Counterinsurgency*, edited by Jeffrey Norwitz. Newport, RI: Naval War College, p. 269-289.
 - Forest, James J.F. “Conclusion,” in *Combating Terrorism: The Northern Ireland Experience*, edited by James Dingley. London: Routledge, p. 280-301.
 - Forest, James J.F. and Sammy Salama. “Jihadist Tactics and Targeting,” in *Jihadists and Weapons of Mass Destruction: A Growing Threat*, edited by Gary Ackerman and Jeremy Tamsett. Washington, DC: CRC Press, p. 81-97.
 - Forest, James J.F. “Modern Threats to Aviation Security,” in *Aviation Security Management*, edited by Andrew Thomas. Westport, CT: Praeger Security International, p. 98-121.
 - Forest, James J.F. and Aaron Danis. “Terrorism and the Road Ahead,” in *Weapons of Mass Destruction and Terrorism*, edited by Russell Howard and James J.F. Forest. New York: McGraw-Hill, p. 513-530.
 - Wilson, Isaiah III and James J.F. Forest. “Introduction to the Politics of Defence,” in *Handbook of Defence Politics: International and Comparative Perspectives*, edited by Isaiah Wilson, III and James J.F. Forest. London: Routledge, p. 1-9.
- 2007
- Forest, James J.F. and Jarret Brachman. “Terrorist Sanctuaries in the Age of Information: Exploring the Role of Virtual Training Camps,” in *Denial of Sanctuary: Understanding Terrorist Safe Havens*, edited by Michael Innes. London: Praeger Security International, p. 124-138.
 - Forest, James J.F. “Introduction to the Study of Terrorism and Counterterrorism,” in *Terrorism and Political Islam: Origins, Ideologies, and Methods*. A Counterterrorism Textbook for the New Agent Training Program of the FBI Academy, Quantico, VA, edited by James J.F. Forest. Washington, DC: FBI Counterterrorism Division, p. 5-16.
 - Forest, James J.F. “The Terrorist Attacks of 9/11: A Brief Review of Impact and Response” in *The Integration and Management of Traumatized People After Terrorist Attacks*, edited by Suat Begeç. Amsterdam: IOS Press, 2007, p. 167-197.
 - Forest, James J.F. “Strategic and Tactical Considerations: An Introduction,” in *Countering Terrorism and Insurgency in the 21st Century: Volume One*, edited by James J.F. Forest. Westport, CT: Praeger Security International, p. 1-27.
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Other Scholarly Activities

- Editor-in Chief, *Terrorism & Political Violence*, 2024-present. [This journal is consistently ranked as the top journal in terrorism studies, according to SNIP, SCOPUS CiteScore, SJR and other citation metrics.] <https://www.tandfonline.com/journals/ftpv20>
- Editor-in Chief, *Perspectives on Terrorism*, 2022-2025. [This journal is consistently ranked as one of the top 3 journals in terrorism studies, and publishes 4 issues per year. With over 9,600 email subscribers and over 150,000 online readers worldwide, it is the mostly widely-distributed publication in the field of terrorism studies. ISSN 2334-3745.] <https://pt.icct.nl/>
- Co-Editor, 2013-2022: *Perspectives on Terrorism*.
- Associate Editor, 2010-2012: *Perspectives on Terrorism*.
- Series Editor, 2008-2013: *Praeger Security International Guides to Terrorists, Insurgents and Armed Groups*.
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Guest Editor, *Perspectives on Terrorism* 6(5), Special Issue on Decision-Making within Terrorist Organizations (September 2012). Online at: <https://pt.icct.nl/issue/volume-vi-issue-4-5-2012>

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Guest Co-Editor (with Jenifer Giroux), *Perspectives on Terrorism*, 5(3) Special Issue on Africa (August 2011). Online at: <https://pt.icct.nl/issue/volume-v-issue-3-4-2011>

Courses Developed and Taught

Fletcher School, Tufts University (graduate level)

Modern Terrorism & Counterterrorism

University of Massachusetts Lowell (undergraduate level)

Terrorism (Domestic & International)

Advanced Seminar on Weapons of Mass Destruction

Capstone Course

Honors Thesis Supervision

Directed Study

University of Massachusetts Lowell (graduate level)

Contemporary Security Studies

Comparative Terrorism & Counterterrorism

Overview of Homeland Security

Terrorism Networks

Counterterrorism Policies and Strategies

Advanced Seminar on Security Studies

Capstone Research Projects

Doctoral Dissertation Supervision

U.S. Military Academy (undergraduate level)

International Relations

Terrorism & Counterterrorism

Comparative Politics

Information Warfare

Politics & Security of Sub-Saharan Africa

Franklin Pierce University (undergraduate level)

U.S. Social Policy

Awards and Other Professional Recognition

- Department of the Army, Superior Civilian Service Award, June 30, 2010
- Department of the Army, Commander's Award for Public Service, August 1, 2005
- Department of the Army, Commander's Award for Civilian Service, July 30, 2004
- Department of the Army, Achievement Medal for Civilian Service, January 15, 2003
- Boston College, Mary T. Kinnane Award for Excellence in Higher Education, May 1998

Non-Teaching Activities (Consulting and Other Professional Experience)

Government Reports and Congressional Testimony

- 2010 Forest, James J.F. "The Role of the Military in Combating Violent Extremism." Testimony before the Senate Armed Services Committee hearing on emerging threats. (March 10, 2010)
- 2006 Felter, Joseph, Jarrett Brachman, James Forest et al. *Harmony and Disharmony: Exploiting al-Qa'ida's Organizational Vulnerabilities*. West Point, NY: Combating Terrorism Center, United States Military Academy (February 14, 2006). PDF copy available online at: <https://ctc.usma.edu/harmony-and-disharmony-exploiting-al-qaidas-organizational-vulnerabilities/>

Court Expert Testimony

- 2013 Served as expert witness in 9/11-related court case (May – September 2013) *Cantor Fitzgerald v. American Airlines, Inc*
- 2011 Served as expert witness in 9/11-related court case (March - November 2011) *Bavis v. United Airlines, Inc. et al., 02-CV-7154(AKH)*

Invited Seminar and Workshop Presentations

- 2024: "Terrorism and Weapons of Mass Destruction," Georgetown University, February 8
- 2023: "Strategic Dimensions of Counterterrorism," Princeton University, April 17
- 2023: "The Future of US Military Engagement in the Middle East," JFK School for Special Warfare, Ft. Bragg, NC (sponsored by 3rd Special Forces Group), January 10
- 2019: "Crime and Terrorism in sub-Saharan Africa," TRAC Conference on Terrorism, Radicalisation and Organised Crime (Minas Gerais, Brazil), September 24
- 2017: "Intersections of Terrorism and Organized Crime in West Africa," (Moderator and Presenter), Nexus Initiative Summit, United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (Algiers, Algeria), October 25
- "Terrorism and Counterterrorism," Osher Life Long Learning Institute (Medford, MA), October 30
 - "Terrorism and Counterterrorism," World Affairs Council of New Hampshire (Portsmouth, NH), September 13
 - "Future of Terrorism", Intelligence Community Summit (Washington, DC), May 5
 - "Violent Extremism" (Moderator and Presenter), Diplomatic Simulation on Countering Violent Extremisms, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and convened at Tufts University (Medford, MA), March 11
 - "Terrorism & Radicalization" One Day University (New York City, NY), March 24
- 2016: "Terrorism & Weapons of Mass Destruction," (professional development seminar) Raytheon Corp. (Burlington, MA), October 20
- 2015: Beto Lecture, Sam Houston State University: "Apocalypse Not: the Limited Threat of Terrorism with Weapons of Mass Destruction." (Huntsville, TX), February 6.
- 2012: "The Crime-Terror Landscape," Plenary session of the Trans-Atlantic Dialogue on Combating Crime-Terror Pipelines, co-sponsored by the United Kingdom and the United States (Washington, DC), June 24-25.
- "The Post-bin Laden Counterterrorism Security Environment." Keynote address, Counterterrorism Fellowship Program Seminar, Joint Special Operations University (Tampa, FL), February 4.

- 2011: "Influence Warfare: Navigating the Influence Landscape in the Age of Social Media." Keynote address, NATO Joint Special Operations Conference (Orlando, FL), October 31.
- "The Evolution of Homegrown Terrorism: From Leaderless Resistance to Leaderless Jihad." Homeland Security Management Institute (Rochester, NY), June 6.
 - "The Future of Terrorism." International Security Forum (Zurich, Switzerland), May 31.
 - "The Vulnerabilities of Terrorist Networks." National Defense Intelligence College (Washington, DC), May 2 (classified presentation).
 - "Modern Terrorism: Global Inspiration, Local Action." Bridgewater State College conference on Connecting Global Crime to Local Impact (Bridgewater, MA), March 30.
- 2010: "Influence Warfare: Countering Al Qaida's Efforts to Shape Perceptions." Joint Forces Command (Norfolk, VA), February 24 (classified presentation).
- "Understanding Al Qaida's 'Influence Warfare' Vulnerabilities." Counterterrorism Summit (New York City), March 5.
- 2009: "Terrorism as a Product of Choices and Perceptions." CATO Institute Conference on "Shaping the New Administration's Counterterrorism Strategy" (Washington, DC) January 12.
- 2008: "Combating Terrorist Networks." New Jersey Law Enforcement Personnel Training Seminar (Trenton, NJ), September 10.
- "WMD and Terrorism." Homeland Security Management Institute (Rochester), June 19.
 - "A History of Terrorism." Tufts University (Bedford, MA), May 21 (guest lecture).
 - "WMD and Terrorism." Asia Pacific Center for Strategic Studies, (Honolulu) March 17.
 - "The Darkest Terror: Weapons of Mass Destruction." Annual Antiterrorism Conference, Department of the Army (Orlando, FL), January 29.
 - "Contemporary Terrorism and Ideologies of Violence." University of St. Andrews (Scotland), January 24 (guest lecture).
- 2007: "Countering Linkages Between Terrorist and Criminal Networks." International Threat Convergence Workshop co-sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and the Swiss Government (Zurich, Switzerland), March, 5.
- "Terrorism and Security Challenges in sub-Saharan Africa." International Development Conference, Harvard University (Cambridge, MA), April 20.
 - "Contemporary Terrorism." New Jersey Homeland Security Conference (Newark, NJ), April 10.
 - "Global Terrorism and the Internet." Homeland Security Management Institute (Rochester, NY), April 30.
 - "Terrorist and Criminal Networks." Network Sciences Workshop, U.S. Military Academy, (West Point, NY), October 23.
 - "Exploiting Terrorist Network Vulnerabilities." Summer Workshop on Teaching Terrorism, University of Maryland (College Park, MD), June 11.
 - "Terrorism: History, Strategy and Root Causes." Defense Institute for International Legal Studies (Newport, RI), December 3.

- 2006: “Means and Places of Radicalization.” FBI Senior Executive Retreat (West Point, NY), August 20 (keynote address).
- “Understanding the Roots of Terrorism.” Army Science Board Meeting (West Point, NY), September 18.
 - “Combating Terrorism Networks: Agency Theory and Teenage Exploits.” 1st International Symposium on Countering Global Insurgency (Ft. Walton, FL), May 2.
 - “Terrorism and National Resilience: Lessons Learned from the Attacks of 9/11.” NATO Center of Excellence for the Defense Against Terrorism (Ankara, Turkey), April 23.
 - “Beyond the IED: Future Trends in the Study of Terrorism and Education of Military Officers.” International Conference of the National Security Studies Center (Haifa, Israel), January 10 (keynote address).
 - “Strategies and Causes of Terrorism.” Defense Institute for International Legal Studies, (Newport RI), December 2.
- 2005: “Terrorists as Strategic Actors.” Near East/South Asia Center, “Seminar on Combating Terrorism in the New Security Environment” (Washington, DC), April 13.
- “Understanding Terrorism and Counterterrorism.” Medical Strategic Leadership Program (Ft. Sam Houston, TX), July 20.
 - “Understanding Terrorism.” Summer Workshop on Teaching Terrorism, (Williamsburg, VA), July 17.
 - “Terrorist Threats and Vulnerabilities in Africa.” Africa Center for Strategic Studies, “Junior Officers Counterterrorism Seminar,” (Ft. McNair, VA), November 15.
 - “Terrorist Motivations.” Defense Institute of International Legal Studies Seminar, “Legal Aspects of Combating Terrorism,” (Newport, RI), December 5.
- 2004: “Terrorism and Terrorists: The Strategic View.” U.S. Coast Guard Academy, Senior Leadership and Management Course, (New London, CT), January 30.
- 2000: “Strategic Development Initiatives and Developing a Learning Organization.” Workshop presentation for the Boston College Administrative Fellows Program, October 20.

Selected Papers Presented at Academic Conferences

- 2024 “Policy Implications of Russia’s Digital Influence Efforts Against Ukraine,” Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association in San Francisco, CA.
- 2024 “Digital Influence Mercenaries and their Impact on Global Security,” Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association in San Francisco, CA
- 2019 “Crime and Terrorism in sub-Saharan Africa”, Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA
- 2018 Forest, James. J.F. “Terrorism in 2028: What Do We Need to Prepare for Today?” Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, CA.
- 2015 Forest, James J.F. “Trends in Counterterrorism: State and Non-State Dimensions.” Annual Joint Conference of the International Security and Arms Control Section of

- the American Political Science Association and the International Security Studies Section of the International Studies Association, Springfield, MA.
- 2014 Forest, James J.F. "US Special Operations Forces and the Search for Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army," Monterey Terrorism Research & Education Program's 2014 Conference on Terrorism & Counterterrorism in Africa (March 7, 2014). Also served as Moderator for a separate panel on "Counterterrorism in Africa: A Whole of Government Approach."
- 2013 Forest, James J.F. "Lessons Learned from the Hunt for Joseph Kony and the Lords Resistance Army." Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Forest, James J.F. and John T. Picarelli. "Convergence, Transformation, Nexus, Hybrid, or Other? A Proposal for Research to Inform Policies on Transnational Organized Crime and Terrorism." Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, CA.
- 2012 Forest, James J.F. "Factors that Impact Terrorist Group Deliberations about WMD." Annual Joint Conference of the International Security and Arms Control Section of the American Political Science Association and the International Security Studies Section of the International Studies Association, Durham, NC.
- Forest, James J.F. "Terrorism in Nigeria: The Case of Boko Haram." Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL.
 - Asal, Victor, Brian Nussbaum and James J.F. Forest, "Political Organizations that Turn to Crime: A Cross-National Comparison." Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL.
 - Idler, Annette and James J.F. Forest, "Crime and Complementary Governance in the Andean Region." Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL.
 - Forest, James J.F. "Kidnapping by Terrorist Groups: Ideology, Geography and Victims." Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Diego, CA.
 - Forest, James J.F. "Community Leadership and Counterterrorism in Nigeria: The Case of Boko Haram." Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Diego, CA.
 - Idler, Annette and James J.F. Forest, "Non-State Actors and Zones of Competing Governance in the Andes Borderlands Region." Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Diego, CA.
- 2011 Forest, James J.F. "Global Trends in Terrorist-Related Kidnapping." Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of Criminology, Washington, DC.
- Forest, James J.F. "Engaging Non-State Actors in Zones of Competing Governance." Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Montreal, Canada.
- 2010 Forest, James J.F. "Collaboration between International Organized Crime and Terrorist Networks." Annual Joint Conference of the International Security and Arms Control Section of the American Political Science Association and the

- International Security Studies Section of the International Studies Association, Providence, RI.
- Forest, James J.F. "Influence Warfare in the 21st Century: Reflections on al-Qaida's Struggles to Influence our Thoughts and Behavior." Annual Joint Conference of the International Security and Arms Control Section of the American Political Science Association and the International Security Studies Section of the International Studies Association, Providence, RI.
 - Forest, James J.F. "Connecting Scholars and Practitioners: The Combating Terrorism Center at West Point." Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, LA.
 - Forest, James J.F. "Influence Warfare and Homeland Security: The Challenges of Shaping Perceptions in a Liberal Democracy." Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Newport, RI.
 - Forest, James J.F. "Al-Qaida's Influence in Sub-Saharan Africa: Myths, Realities and Possibilities." Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Newport, RI.
- 2009 Forest, James J.F. "The Future of the Global 'Information Battlespace.'" Annual meeting of the International Studies Association–Northeast, Baltimore, MD.
- Forest, James J.F. "Educational Challenges of Homeland Security in an Open Society." Annual Meeting of the Northeast Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2004 Forest, James J.F. "Teaching Terror: Knowledge Transfer in the World of Terrorism." Annual Joint Conference of the International Security and Arms Control Section of the American Political Science Association and the International Security Studies Section of the International Studies Association, Washington, DC.
- Forest, James J.F. and Matthew V. Sousa "National Security and Energy Security in West Africa: A Chance to Get it Right." Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston, MA.

Examples of Institutional Service

University of Massachusetts Lowell

- Chair, School Personnel Committee
- Chair, Faculty Search Committee
- Member, College Personnel Committee
- Member, Faculty Senate (2-year term)
- Chaired 4 dissertation committees and served as a member of 4 others
- Supervised 6 honors thesis projects

U.S. Military Academy

- Chair, Curriculum Development Committee
- Advisor, Truman Scholar Applicants
- Advisor, Rhodes Scholar Applicants
- Faculty Advisor, West Point Mountaineering Club
- Faculty Advisor, West Point Whitewater Kayak Club

Professional References: Different lists of references are available upon request, one for faculty positions and others for administrative positions or government (security clearance-related) jobs.