

# COLLOQUIUM BY DAVID SCHANZER

*MODERN TERRORISM: IS THE UNITED STATES STUCK INSIDE A "FOREVER WAR" (AND SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT CHINA TOO)?*

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TIME: 5:00-6:15 PM, WEDNESDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2018

Venue: academic building 1079

*Modern Terrorism: Is the United States Stuck Inside a "Forever War" (and some thoughts about China too)?*

**Speaker:** David Schanzer, Associate Professor of the Practice at the Sanford School of Public Policy and Director of the Triangle Center on Terrorism and Homeland Security at Duke University.

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**ABSTRACT:**

The United States has been in a direct militarized conflict with al Qaeda, ISIS and likeminded groups for over 16 years. Is there a path to "victory" and "defeat" of the enemy? Or should the war be deemed unwinnable and ended? Professor David Schanzer answers both of these questions in the negative – arguing that the U.S. has no choice but to continue executing a counterterrorism campaign that involves the use of military force, but is highly unlikely to achieve any type of recognizable "victory" or end of this conflict in the foreseeable future.

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**BIO:**

David Schanzer is an Associate Professor of the Practice at the Sanford School of Public Policy and Director of the Triangle Center on Terrorism and Homeland Security at Duke University. Before coming to Duke, Schanzer served as Minority Staff Director for the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Homeland Security, Legislative Director for Senator Jean Carnahan, Special Counsel for the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, and Counsel to Senators Joe Biden, Jr. and William S. Cohen. He is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School. Schanzer is the lead author of two National Institute of Justice funded studies "The Challenge and Promise of Using Community Policing Strategies to Prevent

Violent Extremism” (2015) and “Anti-Terror Lessons of Muslim Americans” (2010). He has appeared on international, national and local media analyzing counterterrorism and homeland security issues. Professor Schanzer is teaching policy analysis this semester at Duke Kunshan University in the International Masters of Environmental Policy program.

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