SOC 4445 Virtual (As of June 2020)

Title: SOF Design and Innovation Advanced Course (Virtual)

Abbreviation: SDIA(V)

Number: SOC 4445-V

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Director: Zweibelson, Ben

Description:

This course, conducted in a 'flipped classroom' adult learning configuration virtually and online over a six week “adult-learning paced” structure, provides advanced military design education for students interested in organizational change, innovation, creativity and disruptive thinking for SOF applications in complex emergent contexts. Students build on SOC 3440 lessons and apply additional theory towards designing in teams (virtually, using online design collaboration software). They use a wide range of multi-disciplinary design concepts virtually in a flexible, adaptive methodology for fostering reflective practitioners and change agents across the SOCOM enterprise. SOC 3440 attendance is a pre-requisite for SOC 4445. This virtual version requires students to commit 5-7 hours per week for online, adult-learning at their own pace with 2x required online live design collaboration events per week, plus 1x senior design sponsor online live engagement on Friday for weeks 2-6. *Previously called Design Thinking for Practitioners*

Audience:

Action officers from USSOCOM, the TSOCs, and the components who will participate in special operations design teams or apply design thinking towards complex challenges. SOF professionals requiring methods and techniques for critical thinking, creativity, and how to foster innovation as well as organizational change will benefit from this course.

Remarks: N/A

Accreditation:

JSOU is currently an accredited educational institution accredited through the Accrediting Council for Continuing Education & Training (ACCET) - a national accrediting agency recognized by the Department of Education.

Prerequisites: SOF Design and Innovation Basic Course (SOC 3440). By exception, SOC 2440 (SOF Design and Innovation 4-day Inquiry Course).

Materials:

Students will gain access to the JSOU Blackboard SOC 4445 content 14 days prior to Day 1 of this course for all pre-course requirements. During the six-week period, students will use Blackboard for access to all design content as well as frequent interaction with students and design facilitators. Students will use collaboration design software online to engage in team design live events (virtual, distance) and present their progress weekly to design sponsors over audio/video conference call engagement sessions. A hard

copy of the SOC 4445 student guide will be mailed to all registered students in time for Day 1 of this online course.

Category: Center for Design and Innovation

Type: Open Nomination

Classification: Unclassified

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Duration: Six weeks online virtual/distance plus two weeks pre-course review/refresher prior to Day 1.

Distance Learning: Two weeks review of SOC 3440 and other design content prior to SOC 4445 Day 1.

Days to Complete: Six weeks.

CEU Value:

Semester Hour Value: 0.00

PDSCode: 1FM