



## Martha Crenshaw

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### Bio

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#### BIO

Martha Crenshaw is a senior fellow at CISAC and FSI and a professor of political science by courtesy at Stanford. She was the Colin and Nancy Campbell Professor of Global Issues and Democratic Thought and professor of government at Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn., where she taught from 1974 to 2007. She has written extensively on the issue of political terrorism; her first article, "The Concept of Revolutionary Terrorism," was published in the *Journal of Conflict Resolution* in 1972. In 2011 Routledge published *Explaining Terrorism*, a collection of her previously published work. With Gary LaFree, she is the author of *Countering Terrorism* (Brookings Institution Press, 2017).

She served on the Executive Board of Women in International Security and is a former President and Councilor of the International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP). She coordinated the working group on political explanations of terrorism for the 2005 Club de Madrid International Summit on Democracy, Terrorism and Security. In 2005-2006 she was a Guggenheim Fellow. From 2005 to 2017 she was a lead investigator with the National Center for the Study of Terrorism and the Response to Terrorism (START) at the University of Maryland, funded by the Department of Homeland Security. In 2009 she was awarded a grant from the National Science Foundation/Department of Defense Minerva Initiative for a project on "mapping terrorist organizations." She serves on the editorial boards of the journals *International Security*, *Political Psychology*, *Security Studies*, *Dynamics of Asymmetric Conflict*, *Orbis*, and *Terrorism and Political Violence*. She recently served as a member of the Committee on Evaluating the Effectiveness of the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture of the National Academies of Science.

#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Emeritus Faculty, Acad Council, Center for International Security and Cooperation

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

- Honorary doctorate, Ghent University (2016)
- Woodrow Wilson Fellow, Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (1967)
- Fellowship for Independent Study and Research, National Endowment for the Humanities (1977-1978)
- Fellow, Richardson Institute for Conflict and Peace Research (London) (1977-1978)
- Fellowship (declined), American Council of Learned Societies (1982-1983)
- Postdoctoral Fellowship, Russell Sage Foundation (1982-1983)
- Research Grant, Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation (1987-1988)
- Project Grant, Ford Foundation (1987-1989)
- Scholar, Institute for East-West Security Studies (1987-1988)

- Outstanding Alumna Award,, Newcomb College (1989)
- Pew Faculty Fellowship, Wesleyan University (1992-1993)
- Research Grants, United States Institute of Peace (1995-1996, 1998)
- Award for Teaching Excellence, Wesleyan University (1995)
- Nevitt Sanford Award for Distinguished Scientific Contribution, International Society of Political Psychology (2004)
- Fellowship, John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation (2005)
- Jeanne Knutson Award in Recognition of Long-Standing Service to the Society, International Society of Political Psychology (2005)
- National Science Foundation Award, NSCC/SA "Mapping Terrorist Organizations", National Science Foundation (2009-2012)
- Distinguished Scholar Award, International Studies Association International Security Section (2016)

## PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Ph.D., University of Virginia (1973)
- B.A., Newcomb College of Tulane University (1967)

## LINKS

- FSI Page: [http://fsi.stanford.edu/people/martha\\_crenshaw/](http://fsi.stanford.edu/people/martha_crenshaw/)

## Research & Scholarship

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### CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

As a lead investigator with the National Center for the Study of Terrorism and the Response to Terrorism (START) at the University of Maryland, funded by the Department of Homeland Security, Martha Crenshaw analyzed failed and foiled terrorist plots against the United States and its allies by jihadist groups since 1993. A dataset including events in the United States, the EU, and NATO countries follows the GTD coding rules.

### PROJECTS

- Mapping Militants - Stanford University (2009 - present)

## Publications

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### PUBLICATIONS

- **Countering Far-Right Anti-Government Extremism in the United States.** *Perspectives on terrorism (Lowell, Mass.)*  
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- **Terrorism Research: The Record** *INTERNATIONAL INTERACTIONS*  
Crenshaw, M.  
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- **The Long View of Terrorism** *CURRENT HISTORY*  
Crenshaw, M.  
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- **Will Threats Deter Nuclear Terrorism?** *Deterring Terrorism*  
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- **Explaining Terrorism: Causes, Processes, and Consequences**  
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- **Consequences of Counterterrorism, The**  
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- **The Consequences of Counterterrorism**  
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The Russell Sage Foundation.2010
- **Intimations of Mortality or Production Lines? The Puzzle of "Suicide Terrorism" *POLITICAL PSYCHOLOGY***  
Crenshaw, M.  
2009; 30 (3): 359-364
- **Trajectories of Terrorism: Attack Patterns of Foreign Groups That Have Targeted The United States, 1970-2004 *Criminology & Public Policy***  
Crenshaw, M., LaFree, G., Yang, S.  
2009; 8 (3): 445-473
- **The Debate over "New" vs. "Old" Terrorism *Conference on Values and Violence - Intangible Aspects of Terrorism***  
Crenshaw, M.  
SPRINGER.2008: 117–136
- **What Should This Fight Be Called? Metaphors of Counterterrorism and Their Implications. *Psychological science in the public interest***  
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2007; 8 (3): 97-133
- **"Explaining suicide terrorism: A review essay" *SECURITY STUDIES***  
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- **Coercive Diplomacy and the Response to Terrorism *The United States and Coercive Diplomacy***  
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- **Terrorism and International Conflict *Handbook of War Studies***  
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- **Encyclopedia of World Terrorism**  
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- **Why Violence is Rejected or Renounced : A Case Study of Oppositional Terrorism *The Natural History of Peace***  
Crenshaw , M.  
Vanderbilt University Press .1996
- **The Effectiveness of Terrorism in t he Algerian War *Terrorism in Context***  
Crenshaw , M.  
1995
- **Terrorism in Context**  
edited by Crenshaw , M.  
Pennsylvania University State Press .1995
- **Terrorism in Africa**  
edited by Crenshaw , M.  
G.K. Hall/Maxwell Macmillan International,.1994

- **Crisis in Algeria** *Mediterranean Politics*  
Crenshaw, M.  
1994 ; 1: 191-211
- **Organized Disorder : Terrorism, Politics and Society** *The Democratic Imagination and the Social Science Persuasion*  
Rist , R. C.  
Transaction Press.1994
- **Political Violence in Algeria** *Terrorism and Political Violence*  
Crenshaw , M.  
1994 ; 6 (3): 261-280
- **Current Research on Terrorism : The Academic Perspective** *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism*  
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- **How Terrorists Think : Psychological Contributions to Understanding Terror ism** *Terrorism : Roots, Impact, Responses*  
Crenshaw , M.  
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- **How Terrorism Declines** *Terrorism and Political Violence*  
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- **The Logic of Terrorism : Terrorism as the Product of Strategic Choice** *Origins of Terrorism : Psychologies, Ideologies, Theologies, States of Mind*  
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- **Questions to be Answered, Research to be Done, Knowledge t o be Applied** *Origins of Terrorism : Psychologies, Ideologies, Theologies, States of Mind*  
Crenshaw, M.  
Cambridge University Press .1990
- **On Terrorism and Counterterrorism** *Security and Arms Control*  
Crenshaw , M.  
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- **Terrorism and International Cooperation**  
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- **The Subjective Reality of the Terrorist** *Current Perspectives on International Terrorism*  
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- **The Psychology of Political Terrorism** *Political Psychology: Contemporary Problems and ISsues*

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Wesleyan University Press .1983
- **THE CAUSES OF TERRORISM** *COMPARATIVE POLITICS*  
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- **WHY VIOLENCE SPREADS - THE CONTAGION OF INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM** *INTERNATIONAL STUDIES QUARTERLY*  
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- **Defining Future Threat: Terrorists and Nuclear Prol iferation** *Terrorism : Interdisciplinary Perspectives*  
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- **The Concept of Revolut ionary Terrorism** *Journal of Conflict Resolution*  
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