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Dear Mike,

I am pleased to tell you about Thomas Edison State College's new online Master of Science in Homeland Security degree program. This 36-credit program is offered completely online and is designed for adults interested in leadership positions in the fields of homeland security and emergency preparedness.

The curriculum focuses on domestic and global issues in security, and developing competencies in theory, analysis, practice and policymaking. Course work examines law enforcement, terrorism, intelligence, legal issues, emergency management, cybersecurity, biosecurity and public administration issues. Graduates will be prepared to guide and supervise day-to-day operations and strategic planning and other operations where decision making is critical.

As a student, you will gain an in-depth understanding of the roles of technology, intelligence and law in establishing protection policies and procedures required to respond to and mitigate threats and disasters.

I've enclosed a brochure that includes more information about the program and hope you contact us to learn more. We are happy to speak with you about this new program or to answer any questions you may have. Please contact us at (888) 442-8372 or *gradstudies@tesc.edu*.

We look forward to helping you achieve your educational and professional goals.

Sincerely,

Henry van Zyl, DEd
Acting Dean, Heavin School of Arts and Sciences

> ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the Master of Science in Homeland Security degree program is competitive and based on a qualitative review of a candidate's application. All applicants must possess a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution. A written essay is evaluated critically and used to assess a potential student's ability to succeed in and benefit from the program.

You *can* do this

TO LEARN MORE about the Master of Science in Homeland Security degree program or to speak with an admissions counselor, please contact us at (888) 442-8372 or *gradstudies@tesc.edu*.

TO APPLY ONLINE or review complete graduate admissions requirements, visit *www.tesc.edu/apply*.

> ABOUT THOMAS EDISON STATE COLLEGE

Established in 1972, Thomas Edison State College is one of New Jersey's 11 senior public institutions of higher education and one of the oldest institutions in the country designed specifically for adults. The College has pioneered the use of the latest technology to develop flexible, high-quality educational programs for self-directed adults and is a national leader in the assessment of adult learning. *Forbes* magazine identified the College as one of the top 20 schools in the nation in the use of technology to create learning opportunities for adults. Thomas Edison State College is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, 3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104 (267-284-5000) and has been selected by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) as a participating institution of the Yellow Ribbon GI Education Enhancement Program, a provision of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008.

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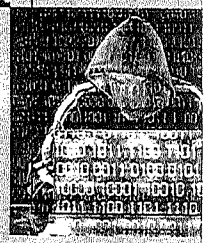

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Be Prepared

Preparing the Next Generation of Leaders in Homeland Security

The Master of Science in Homeland Security (MSHS) is designed for adults interested in leadership positions in the fields of homeland security and emergency preparedness.

The program focuses on domestic and global issues in security and developing competencies in theory, analysis, practice and policymaking. Graduates will be prepared to guide and supervise daily operations, strategic planning and decision making and gain an in-depth knowledge of the current major questions, debates and methodologies in this interdisciplinary field.

The 36-credit program is offered completely online and has been designed to work around the unique needs of working adults. Students can complete the program in less than two years without sacrificing their careers and personal responsibilities.

> COURSES AND CURRICULUM

The Master of Science in Homeland Security degree program examines domestic and global issues in security. Graduates develop competencies in theory, analysis, practice and policymaking and gain an in-depth understanding of the roles of technology, intelligence and law in establishing protection policies and procedures and in responding to and mitigating threats and disasters, whether natural or anthropogenic.

	Credits	
CORE COURSES		**24**
> HLS-500 Terrorism and Homeland Security in the U.S.	3	
> HLS-501 Natural Disasters	3	
> HLS-510 Protecting the Homeland: Balancing Security and Liberty	3	
> HLS-615 Domestic and Global Intelligence for Security Management	3	
> HLS-620 Preparedness: Prevention and Deterrence	3	
> HLS-625 Technology and Information Security	3	
> HLS-630 Protecting the Homeland: Response and Recovery	3	
> HLS-640 Administration and Finance for Security Professionals	3	
ELECTIVES IN HOMELAND SECURITY *(students select two of the following courses)*		**6**
> HLS-610 The Psychology and Sociology of Disaster	3	
> HLS-611 International Legal and Ethical Issues	3	
> HLS-645 Pandemics, Bioterrorism and Biosecurity	3	
CORE ADVANCED LEVEL COURSE		**6**
> HLS-650 Capstone in Homeland Security	6	
TOTAL		**36**

> WHY CHOOSE US

> *Why Earn a Master of Science in Homeland Security at Thomas Edison State College?*

> You will develop competencies critical to personal and professional growth and gain leadership skills that employers value.

> Our program fits your busy life. You'll take flexible, high-quality online courses at your own pace guided by mentors who are subject matter experts that specialize in working with adult students.

> In addition to online courses, you can transfer graduate credits and earn credit for professional training and college-level knowledge you have acquired outside the classroom.

> *Learning Outcomes*

After successfully completing the Master of Science in Homeland Security program, graduates will be able to:

> Analyze terrorism as it relates to the United States and internationally.

> Strategize plans to address disasters and threats to security.

> Apply statutory and constitutional legal principles to implementation of national and global security strategies.

> Debate the relationship between security versus personal and societal freedom.

> Analyze response and recovery efforts in homeland security at the local, state, federal and tribal levels.

> Analyze national and global intelligence mechanisms, security procedures and organizations and the interplay among them and between them and public institutions.

> Evaluate critical resources and key infrastructures that are potential targets of security risk.