

# Marine Advisor Course (MAC)

COURSE DETAILS	
MC CID:	N03KYK3
LENGTH:	26 Days (20 Training Days)
LOCATION:	Fort Story, VA
TYPE TRAINING:	Individual/Unit
MASL:	N03KYK3
NUMBER OF STUDENTS:	Up to 24 Students
REPORTING TIME:	0830

FY16 and FY17 RESIDENT SCHEDULE			
MAC 2-16	March 28	thru	April 22
MAC 3-16	May 2	thru	May 27
MAC 4-16	July 10	thru	August 7
MAC 5-16	September 12	thru	September 30
MAC 1-17	January 9	thru	February 3
MAC 2-17	March 6	thru	March 31
MAC 3-17	June 5	thru	June 30
MAC 4-17	July 10	thru	August 4

**\*COURSE DATES MAY BE REFINED TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE OPERATING FORCES**



## PURPOSE

This program of instruction provides a Marine with the knowledge and skills required to be a Foreign Security Force (FSF) Advisor and/or serve as a member of a Security Cooperation (SC) Team. The target audience for the Marine Advisor Course is a Sergeant or above serving in a SC capacity, Marines deploying ISO a SC mission, and Marines deploying as an advisor to a Foreign Security Force.

## SCOPE

The four-week Marine Advisor Course provides fundamental advisor skills, training management, and force protection training to prepare Marines for overseas Security Cooperation missions. Through formal instruction and immersive environment scenario training, students learn to analyze and apply operational culture to their mission, build and maintain relationships and rapport with FSF counterparts, recognize and mitigate cultural stress, develop and implement training plans, understand USG objectives and plans for an assigned region or country, and conduct force protection while deployed in partner nations. Students graduate prepared to teach, coach, and advise a Foreign Security Force in order to develop its organizational capability and capacity in accordance with US Government, Service, and FSF objectives. Portions of the course are classified **Secret**.

## PREREQUISITES

Students are required to complete the following on line courses:

- a. Unit Training Management: Platoon (E5-E6, O1-O2) (Marinet Course Code-UT03AO0000)
- b. Unit Training Management: Battalion (E7-E9, O3-O5) (Marinet Course Code-UT05AO0000)
- c. Range Safety (Marinet Course Code-RTAMRSOAA)
- d. DISAM: Security Cooperation Familiarization Course ([www.disam.dsca.mil](http://www.disam.dsca.mil) Course Code SCM-FA-OL)
- e. USMC Cyber Awareness Training (Marinet Course Code-CYBERM0000)
- f. SERE 100.1 ([Joint Knowledge Online](#) (J3TA-US022))
- g. Joint Anti-Terrorism Level 1 (Marinet Course Code-JATLV10000)
- h. Advising Foreign Security Forces 101 Course ([Joint Knowledge Online](#)-J7SN-US333)
- i. RCLF Culture 101 (Marinet Course Code- CLRCULT01A)
- j. Human Rights Awareness Education ([Joint Knowledge Online](#)-J3SN-US649-HB) (For SOUTHCOM AO)

### **Special guidance:**

Visit MCSCG website to find the Command Screening Checklist (CSC) and reporting instructions. Students must arrive with the CSC ***completed and endorsed by a BN CO or above***, have all prerequisites met, and possess the appropriate gear needed for course in accordance with the reporting instructions. Students must also bring a copy of the completion certificates to the first day of the course.

## SECURITY CLEARANCE

### **SECRET CLEARANCE IS MANDATORY!!**

Students are required to have a valid Secret Clearance. Security clearance verification must be done for all participants who require access to classified spaces, materials or briefs. The primary means for transmitting the visit request is via Joint Personnel Adjudication System (JPAS). The SMO Code 200031FN5.

Security clearance verification must contain the following information: Full name; rank, grade, or rate; date and place of birth; social security number; citizenship of proposed student; name and address of the activity to be visited; date and duration of the proposed visit; security clearance of proposed visitor, investigation type, date of investigation; and phone number and verifying signature of the Security Manager (if Faxed). The fax number to MCSCG is (757) 962-4431.

## QUOTA CONTROL

All personnel that wish to attend the MAC, please contact:

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## Course Overview

### Advisor Skills Annex

This annex provides a student with knowledge and skills necessary to be an affective advisor to a FSF and how to effectively engage FSF counterparts. The Marine receives instruction on Introduction to Security Cooperation, The Advisor: An Introduction, Recognizing Culture Shock, Non-Verbal Communication, Establishing Cross-Culture Relationships, Employing Interpreters, and Negotiating Differences. Each class contains practical application exercises and evaluation. This annex culminates with a performance examination with actual role players and a written examination.

### SC Execution Planning Annex

This annex provides a student with the knowledge and skills necessary to analyze national level guidance and mission guidance to begin the development of a training plan that will support training objectives. The Marine will receive instruction on Foreign Disclosure, Introduction to Security Cooperation Planning process, Problem Framing, Functional Based Advising, Functional Advising Problem Framing, and Designing a Plan. Each class contains practical application exercises. This annex culminates with a written examination.

### Training Management Annex

This annex provides a student with the skills needed to develop, deliver, and evaluate training for a Foreign Security Force. The Marine receives instruction on Develop Training, Deliver Training, Evaluate Training, and Range Operations. This annex culminates with a field fire exercise and written examination.

### Force Protection Annex

This annex provides a student with force protection skills that may be needed while conducting operations in a Security Cooperation environment. The Marine receives instruction on Emergency Action Planning, Insider Threat, Surveillance Awareness, Counter Elicitation, Apprehension Avoidance, SERE B Modified, and SERE 250. Each class contains practical application exercises and evaluation. This annex culminates with a written examination.

### Foreign Weapons

This annex provides students with the familiarization of foreign weapons they may encounter on an SC deployment. The Marine receives instruction on AGS-17, AK Series Weapons, DShK, FN FAL, G3, G36, Galil, M-60 Machinegun, Negev, PKM, RPD, RPG, RPK, SPG-9, SVD, Tavor TAR 21, and the TT33. Each class contains practical application exercises. This annex culminates with a written examination.