

# Diversified Education on CTBT in Beijing Language and Culture University

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## COURSES, LECTURES AND RELATED ACTIVITIES ON CTBT

For more than ten years, two regular courses entitled “A introduction of International Security” and “Arms Control & International Security” have been held in the School of International Relations of the Beijing Language and Culture University. The former is for undergraduate students and the latter for graduate students. Following participation by the course organizer in the CTBTO Academic Forum in 2012, CTBT online courses were purposefully integrated into the regular courses.

Three major approaches to teaching the CTBT have emerged:

(i) A three-week period introducing the background, history, achievements of, and obstacles facing the CTBT, while students are required to read broadly about the CTBT verification regime, mainly using materials from the CTBTO website



“The Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty is of milestone significance for promoting nuclear non-proliferation and nuclear disarmament. I hope we can continue to advocate the significance of CTBT to the public and strive for an early ratification.”  
——Jie Zuo, graduate

(ii) Discussion and debate on specific questions in class



(iii) Students are encourage to take part in CTBTO online courses. Through diversified teaching, the CTBT has attracted more and more young students’ attention. Nearly one hundred students, 80% of the total number in the classes, have registered for the CTBTO online courses since this approach was introduced; most of them obtained the final certificates. One student was given the opportunity to attend the CTBTO 2016 course in Vienna. Some students chose CTBT related topics to finish their dissertations and some of them continue to study on CTBT after graduation.



“The course is really thought provoking, which has brought many ideas to my mind. And I want to search and better understand the relationship between CTBT and other treaties; how can CTBT to promote world development universally; and how to promote FMCT with the progress of CTBT, and how can nuclear weapon states and non-nuclear weapon states work together without any discrimination.”

——Xiaoli Zhang, graduate



## CTBT RELATED RESEARCH

Besides education on CTBT, some related research have been done & doing which focus on nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation, such as North Korea nuclear issue, Iranian nuclear issue, international nuclear non-proliferation regime, IAEA, and so on. CTBT is a core issue in those research programs.

