

International Peacekeeping II

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Class meets in the Old Building, Arlington, Rm 268, 4:30PM to 7:00PM on Thursdays.

The full course is two semesters in length. This second half may be taken out of sequence without great loss of content, just some in continuity. The Fall segment will be mostly theoretical in content while the Spring segment will focus more on the pragmatic - the how to - of Peace Operations.

Class Requirements:

- 1) (10%) Paper proposal and proposal presentation. This proposal will be for the course research paper. A ten minute formal presentation will be required in class.
- 2) (45%) A significant research paper, 20 - 30 double spaced pages, with references.
- 3) (20%) Completion of second UNITAR-POCI Course, details below.
- 3) (20%) Weekly monitoring of an active peace operation, either UN or non-UN. This monitoring will include a short update in class each week and a written update (preferably 250 words), via email prior to class each week. The weekly updates may be posted on the WWW.
- 4) (5%) Class participation. The class is run as a seminar; full and active participation is expected of all students.

Texts: One text for this class will be obtained through the UNITAR-POCI course detailed below. Jett, Dennis C., 1999, *Why Peacekeeping Fails*, St. Martin's Press, New York and Rieff, David, 2002, *A Bed for the Night*, Simon And Schuster, Frankfurt, GE. Specific readings will be assigned during the course of the semester.

Process: The classroom times will be used to present an overview of the topic areas and to highlight additional readings. Full lectures will be the exception rather than the norm. This class will be run as a participative seminar; we expect candid and frequent participation from every student. But remember: Emotional arguments are less meaningful than factual ones. Back up your opinions. The normal class will start with 45 - 60 minutes of student reports on their monitored missions, followed by the topical discussion or a guest speaker.

Special Activities: Each semester on the Monday following the last class, a field trip is taken to the United Nations and selected papers are presented to the Department of Peacekeeping Operations senior executives. Each year, students may be given the opportunity to accompany the Pearson Peacekeeping Centre's Peacekeeping Management, Command and Staff Course's field trip to an active Peace Operation depending on the schedule at the Pearson Centre.

Correspondence Course: This semester we will continue with the inclusion of a correspondence course into the regular syllabus. This course: *The History of UN PKO following the Cold War*, by F.T. Liu, may be obtained via <http://www.wm.edu/unpeacek/index.html> and will cost \$125. The course must be completed and the graded certificate turned in prior to the class on the 10th of April, 2003. Since this course will require significant time outside of the classroom, two periods are designated as compensatory time for this course. Therefore, there will be no class on the 27th of February or the 17th of April. (NOTE: You probably cannot wait for the compensatory time to do the work!)

Plagiarism: All work must be your own. Inappropriate use of the work of others without attribution is plagiarism and a George Mason University Honor Code violation punishable by expulsion from the University. All students should familiarize themselves with this honor code provision (<http://www.gmu.edu/facstaff/handbook/aD.html>). To guard against plagiarism and to treat students equitably, written work may be checked against existing published materials or digital data bases available through various plagiarism detection services. Accordingly materials submitted to all courses must be available in electronic format.

Spring Semester 2003

01: 23 January	A review of the theory: The Conceptual Model of Peace Operations Assignment of monitoring missions King
02: 30 January	A review of the theory continued. First mission presentation. Davis
03: 06 February	Speaker: The Diplomat in Peace Operations Ambassador Timothy Carney
04: 13 February	Speaker: Training for Peacekeeping Professor Andrea de Guttry
05: 20 February	Speaker: Civil Military Interactions Major General Mike Beasley
06: 27 February	Compensatory Time, No Class
07: 06 March	Paper Proposal Presentations
XX: 13 March	Spring Break (11 - 15 March), No Class
08: 20 March	Speaker: The role of Humanitarians in Conflict Resolution Mr. Dayton Maxwell
09: 27 March	Speaker: The Use of Information In Peace Operations Mr. Larry Wentz
10: 03 April	Speaker: The role of elections in the Peace Process Mr. Jeff Fischer
11: 10 April	Speaker: International Police in Peace Operations Mr. Robert Perito Correspondence Certificates Due
12: 17 April	Compensatory Time, No Class (Cornwallis Group)
13: 24 April	Student Presentations
14: 01 May	Student Presentations
XX: 05 May	Visit United Nations
XX: 08 May	All Papers due