



Peace Operations Training Institute®

Self-Paced E-Learning



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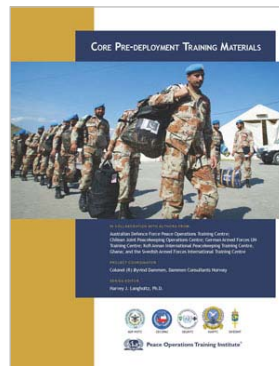
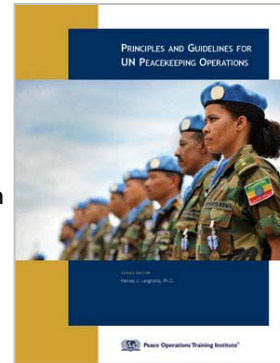
on Peace Operations for U.S. Military Personnel

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Recommended Starter Courses:

Principles and Guidelines for UN Peacekeeping Operations

Developed in consultation with the Peacekeeping Best Practices Section of the UN Department of Peacekeeping Operations Policy, Evaluation and Training Division, this course is based on the internal DPKO/DFS publication *United Nations Peacekeeping Operations: Principles and Guidelines*, which is more widely known as the *Capstone Doctrine*. This course comprehensively defines and promulgates available peacekeeping doctrine, definitions, procedures, and policy. It introduces the concept and evolution of UN Peacekeeping, explains the decision process that precedes the deployment of a peacekeeping operation, and then the planning process to implement that decision.



personnel – military, police, and civilian – who serve on UN peacekeeping missions. This course was developed as a guide to students navigating the official CPTMs through a joint project between POTI and five national training centres. The course follows the four-unit structure of the original CPTMs for convenient cross-

Core Pre-deployment Training Materials

The Core Pre-deployment Training Materials (CPTMs) were designed by the UN Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO) to provide the common and essential training required for all

Curriculum

- Principles and Guidelines for UN Peacekeeping Operations **Free**
- Core Pre-Deployment Training Materials (CPTMs) **Free**
- Implementation of the UN Security Council Resolutions (SCRs) on the Women, Peace, and Security Agenda in Africa **Free**
- Implementation of UN SCRs on the Women, Peace, and Security Agenda in Asia and the Pacific **Free**
- Implementation of UN SCRs on the Women, Peace, and Security Agenda in Latin America and the Caribbean **Free**
- Ebola Virus Disease: Awareness and Precautions for Peacekeeping Personnel **Free**
- An Introduction to the UN System
- Commanding UN Peacekeeping Operations
- Conduct of Humanitarian Relief Operations
- Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration (DDR)
- Ethics in Peacekeeping
- Gender Perspectives in UN Peacekeeping
- History of UN Peacekeeping 1945-1987
- History of UN Peacekeeping 1988-1996
- History of UN Peacekeeping 1997-2006
- Human Rights
- Human Rights and Peacekeeping
- International Humanitarian Law
- Logistical Support to UN Peacekeeping Operations
- Operational Logistical Support
- Advanced Topics in UN Logistics (COE)
- Methods and Techniques for Serving on a Peacekeeping Mission as a UN Military Observer
- Mine Action and Explosive Hazard Management
- Protection of Civilians
- Peacekeeping and International Conflict Resolution
- Preventing Violence Against Women
- Security for UN Peacekeepers
- United Nations Civil-Military Coordination (UN-CIMIC)
- United Nations Police

All courses are available in English, with varied availability in Arabic, French, Portuguese, and Spanish. Visit the website for complete details.



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Welcome

In cooperation with the U.S. Army Peacekeeping and Stability Operations Institute (PKSOI), the Peace Operations Training Institute (POTI) is proud to provide members of the U.S. Armed Forces with e-learning on UN Peacekeeping Operations.

Changes in the strategic and operational environment and mission sets require a greater understanding of UN-PKO, not just in working alongside UN field missions in conflict and PKO settings, but also in building the capacity of partner troop contributing countries through security sector assistance and other theater cooperation activities. These courses are ideal for forces involved in engagement activities in theater security cooperation settings. Among these are Civil Affairs and Regionally Aligned Forces.

POTI is a U.S.-based non-profit organization which provides several free courses on UN-PKO subjects. The multi-lingual curriculum is in use by military units, national peacekeeping training centers, UN peacekeeping missions, academic institutions, humanitarian organizations and individuals.

POTI provides globally accessible, self-paced, online, on-demand courses on peace support, humanitarian relief, and security operations in 194 countries. POTI is a member of the International Association of Peace Training Centres (IAPTC) and is “welcomed” each year in the annual report of the United Nations Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations (C-34) to provide distance learning training to UN peacekeepers.

There are three ways to gain access to the courses – through the PKSOI website; through the Army Training Network/Regionally Aligned Forces Training Program, which requires a DoD Common Access Card (CAC); or through the POTI/PKSOI landing page:

www.peaceopstraining.org/programs/pksoi/.

Free Online Courses for U.S. Military Personnel

POTI has a 29 course curriculum, six courses are available free of charge. The free courses are:

- *Principles & Guidelines for UN Peacekeeping Operations*
- *Core Pre-deployment Training Materials (CPTM)*
- *Ebola Virus Disease: Awareness and Precautions for Peacekeeping Personnel*
- *Implementation of the UN Security Council Resolutions on the Women, Peace, and Security Agenda in Africa*
- *Implementation of the UN Security Council Resolutions on the Women, Peace, and Security Agenda in Asia and the Pacific*
- *Implementation of the UN Security Council Resolutions on the Women, Peace, and Security Agenda in Latin America and the Caribbean*



Major Ralph Jay Johnson III, US Army, is pictured above holding the COTIPSO certificate he earned in 2014. A link to his thesis, “Medical Aspects of Peacekeeping Operations: Trends and Courses of Action”, is available on the COTIPSO theses page:

<http://www.peaceopstraining.org/cotipso/theses/>.

Self-Paced – Online – On Demand

All aspects of study with POTI can be completed online. Students are able to sign up for courses, access texts, submit examinations, receive graded results, and be issued Certificates-of-Completion, at their convenience, at their own pace.

The POTI self-paced curriculum is open to all students of peacekeeping and humanitarian relief; there are no educational or professional requirements to become a student or sign up for courses. POTI has the most experience providing online learning on peace support, humanitarian relief, and security operations to individuals worldwide. During 2014, more than 36,000 people studied POTI courses.

Two levels of certification available:

- **Individual courses:** Students earn a Certificate-of-Completion for each completed course.
- **Peace Operations Specialized Training (POST) Certificate:** Earned by completing a topic-specific eight-course sequence and comprehensive examination. Topics available are Military Studies; Police Studies; Civilian Service; Gender Awareness; Logistical Support; and Human Rights.

Staff members are available to answer questions and provide student support via telephone (+1 757-253-6933) and email; help@peaceopstraining.org.

UN peacekeeping operations... are “a critical element of prevention and deterrence, as well as a traditional conflict response.”

- 2014 Quadrennial Defense Review