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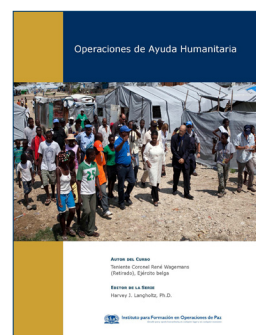
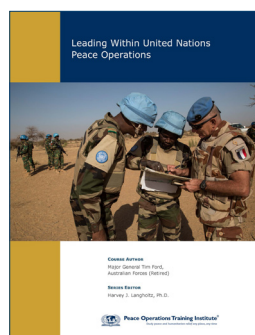
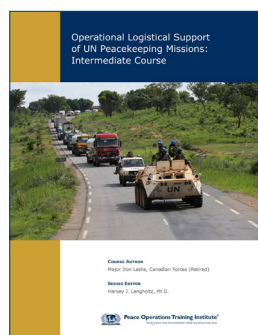
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## POTI Adds New Courses, Translations to Curriculum

Students at the Peace Operations Training Institute now have fresh opportunities to study peacekeeping topics. The Institute's curriculum added four courses in autumn 2018. Two courses are updates to existing POTI courses.

*Operational Logistical Support of UN Peacekeeping Missions: Intermediate Course* by Major Don Leslie (retired) of the Canadian Armed Forces is an update to the 2011 course of the same name. This updated course includes new material on recent developments in United Nations peacekeeping logistics, including the Global Field Support Strategy and the Umoja project. *Leading Within United Nations Peace Operations* by Major General Tim Ford (retired) of the Australian Forces is a revision to the 2012 course *Commanding United Nations Peacekeeping Operations*. The updated course is applicable to civilian, military, and police appointments and covers issues for personnel at the strategic, operational, and tactical levels.

The Institute also added two new translations to its curriculum. The course *Operaciones de Ayuda Humanitaria* is the Spanish translation of the 2017 POTI course *Humanitarian Relief Operations* by Lt. Col. René Wagemans of the Belgian Army. This course includes definitions and principles, recent doctrine on humanitarian relief activities, and new examples of humanitarian relief operations. The course *Apoyo logístico a las operaciones de mantenimiento de la paz de las Naciones Unidas: Introducción* is the Spanish translation of the 2014 POTI course *Logistical Support to United Nations Peacekeeping Operations: An Introduction* by Major Rod Little (retired) of the Canadian Armed Forces. This edition of the course provides the background and rationale behind UN peacekeeping logistics and contemporary information on UN peace operations.



For more information on these courses and the rest of the Institute's curriculum, visit [www.peaceopstraining.org/courses/](http://www.peaceopstraining.org/courses/).

## Upcoming Releases

- New Revision:  
*Preventing Violence Against Women and Promoting Gender Equality in Peacekeeping*
- New Translation:  
*El papel de la Policía de las Naciones Unidas en las operaciones de paz*
- New Translation:  
*Appui logistique aux opérations de maintien de la paix des Nations Unies : Une introduction*

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The number of times POTI students achieved a score of 90 per cent or higher on examinations between January and November 2018.

## Coming Soon: *Peacebuilding*

POTI is pleased to announce the upcoming addition of a new course to its curriculum. *Peacebuilding* by Dr. George F. Oliver examines the development of peacebuilding in United Nations peace operations from its beginnings in the 1960s through its application in modern settings. Dr. Oliver is a professor at the United States Naval War College and previously served in the US Army, including an assignment as the Military Adviser to the US Ambassador to the United Nations.



## Institute Staff Attend Annual IAPTC Conference

The Peace Operations Training Institute (POTI) was pleased to send staff members to the twenty-fourth annual conference of the International Association of Peacekeeping Training Centres (IAPTC), which was hosted by the New Zealand Defence Force in partnership with the New Zealand Police, Ministry of Defence, and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade. The theme of the conference was “innovative capacity building for effective peace operations”, which focused on emerging challenges in the contemporary peacekeeping environment. Other topics discussed included pedagogy, conduct and discipline, the role of female peacekeepers, and security within missions. This international event is a crucial piece of the foundation of peacekeeping training, as it provides an opportunity for trainers to coordinate and consolidate their efforts.

A key component of the 2019 IAPTC conference was an additional day devoted to new developments in training for UN Police and a panel during the conference on the Police Strategic Guidance Framework. The police component of United Nations peace operations has increased substantially since the end of the Cold War, and ensuring training reaches this population has become paramount. The Institute and its partners strive to serve this need.



**Thank you for your work each day in the interest of peace. We at the Institute wish you a joyful holiday season and health, happiness, and peace in the New Year.**





## From the Desk of the Executive Director, Dr. Harvey Langholtz



*Dr. Langholtz*

It is our pleasure and honour here at the Peace Operations Training Institute (POTI) to collaborate with and serve peacekeeping training institutions and individual peacekeepers worldwide. I'm sure you can see that satisfaction in the staff photo in this newsletter.

This newsletter includes a list of our newly released translations and course updates. It is our goal to provide up-to-date training materials in as many languages as possible. To accomplish this, we collaborate with UN agencies, course authors who are recognized as experts in their fields, and a team of translators who specialize in UN documents and language use.

In addition to our recently released updates, the Institute will release our newest course on peacebuilding in January 2019. While most of the training we provide is designed for peacekeepers on the ground, the peacebuilding course takes a broader and longer look at conflict resolution and conflict prevention.

It is always my personal pleasure to attend the annual convention of the International Association of Peacekeeping Training Centres (IAPTC). The New Zealand Ministry of Defence graciously hosted this year's conference in Auckland, New Zealand. Each year at IAPTC we meet with Commandants of national peacekeeping training centres as well as other key officials in the UN peacekeeping training community. It is gratifying to meet directly with our institutional partners from every continent, learn from each other, plan together, and discuss our shared goals. Peru will host the 2019 IAPTC conference, and we are looking forward to that.

Most of all, as 2018 ends and 2019 begins, I am gratified to see the global demand for the e-learning POTI provides. In 2018, the Institute again exceeded 100,000 enrolments. As might be expected, most POTI students come from the largest troop- and police-contributing countries, often enrolling through the programmes we provide through national peacekeeping training centres and UN, African Union, European Union, or hybrid missions. Of course, we are equally honoured to reach those individual peacekeepers from the smallest of nations and most remote regions of the world.

On behalf of all of us here at POTI, I wish you a happy holiday season and a New Year of peace and good health.