Unitar Online Catalogue

Milestones in UN Peacekeeping [PTP.2016.05E]

Type:	Course
Location:	Web-based
Date:	4 Feb 2016 to 31 Dec 2016
Duration:	1 Days
Thematic Area:	Peacekeeping
Website:	http://www.unitar.org/ptp
Price:	$0.00
Event Focal Point Email:	ptp@unitar.org

BACKGROUND

UNITAR Peacekeeping Training Programme, in partnership with the Universitat Oberta de Catalunya, offers a short course on the History of UN Peacekeeping. This course can be taken in conjunction with the UNITAR Peacekeeping Training Programme course Introduction to Peace Operations for credit in the International Master Degree in Conflictology at the Universitat Oberta de Catalunya. This course offers an overview of the history of UN peacekeeping from the founding of the United Nations in 1945 up to present day and presents current trends in peacekeeping that may shape the future.

EVENT OBJECTIVES

The goal of the course History of UN Peacekeeping is to provide a panoramic overview of the pivotal events in the history of UN peacekeeping that have shaped its present form.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Describe the beginnings of UN peacekeeping;
- Identify the four generations of UN peacekeeping operations and the main characteristics of each.

CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

The course is composed of four lessons:

- Lesson 1: First Generation Peacekeeping: The Cold War (1945 – 1987)
- Lesson 2: Second Generation Peacekeeping: Following the Cold War (1988 – 1996)
- Lesson 3: Third Generation Peacekeeping: Peace Support Operations (1997 – present)
- Lesson 4: Fourth Generation Peacekeeping: The Next Twist

The average work time is estimated at 4 hours.

METHODOLOGY

The course is a self-guided, self-paced, web-based course that is on-going and can be accessed at any time. The material is presented in text format with visual aids and web-based reference resources. Multiple choice quizzes at the end of each lesson serve a dual function of assessing and evaluating the students' understanding and retention and provide a further didactic function by reviewing the content.

TARGETED AUDIENCE

Primary audience: The course is designed for anyone who has an interest and curiosity in the history of peacekeeping.

Secondary audience: The course is geared towards any professionals who would like to earn credit towards a Master's degree in Conflictology parallel to their careers.

Participants are not expected to have prior experience in or knowledge of peacekeeping operations. However, as this is a course for university credit, participants must:

- Have a university degree in a relevant area with proven interest in protection of civilians (BA or equivalent) or the equivalent working experience in a relevant field (2 to 4 years);
- Have good command of English language (reading and writing);
- Be computer literate.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

UNITAR recommends the following as a minimum in hardware and software to take our e-Learning courses. Please consult your Network Administrator or Systems person to ensure that you have the following:

- Platform: Windows 95, 98, 2000, NT, ME, XP or superior; MacOS 9 or MacOS X; Linux
- Hardware: 64 MB of RAM, 1 GB of free disk space
- Software:
  - Adobe Acrobat Reader (click here to download for free)
  - Adobe Flash Player (click here to download for free)
  - Microsoft Office (Windows or Mac) or Open Office (click here to download for free)
- Browser: Internet Explorer 7 or higher (click here to download for free); it works better with Firefox 3.6 or higher (click here to download for free)
- Note that JavaScript, Cookies and Pop-ups must be enabled

- Modem: 56 K

You will receive an email with the detailed information on how to access the course within 48 hours from the registration.