The Center for Civil-Military Relations (CCMR) conducts a peacekeeping training course entitled “Peacekeeping Operations Instructors Course” (PKOIC). The PKOIC targets national training center instructor cadres (or, if a national center does not exist, then unit trainers) and intensively covers key "Core Pre-deployment Training Modules" (CPTMs) issued by the United Nations Integrated Training Service/Department of Peacekeeping Operations (e.g., Command and Control, Disarmament-Demobilization-Reintegration, Human Rights, Humanitarian Assistance).

The aim of the course is to enhance the knowledge base and instructor skills of peacekeeping trainers in United Nations (UN) peacekeeping essential topics. Upon completion of the course, participants will be well versed in UN issues in general and can train other peacekeeping instructors on UN polices and procedures (or train unit personnel directly on these issues). Upon completion of the course, participants have a thorough understanding of the characteristics and complexities of integrated UN missions and can successfully participate in them. The course is ideally suited for Captain through Colonel ranks (or civilian equivalents). CCMR conducts this course through the United States (US) Global Peace Operations Initiative (GPOI) program.

Course Details: The PKOIC can be conducted in residence at the Naval Postgraduate School (MASL P179048) or in a participating country through a Mobile Education Team (MET) as a national (MASL P309392) or a regional (MASL P279392) course. If regional or in-residence, participants are invited from other participating countries in the area or worldwide to attend the PKOIC. The duration of the training is 12 calendar days inclusive of weekend/cultural/social programs. Participants could use GPOI funding, IMET/EIMET or be self-funded.

Course Methodology: The training methodology includes presentations from Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) in conjunction with group discussions, plenary discussions, and classroom exercises. The focus of group discussions and exercises will be problem solving based on a fictitious peacekeeping operation scenario or standalone problems related to various aspects of peacekeeping operations.

Course Instructors: The resource staff for the course consists of three to four SMEs and one senior SME.

Participants: The optimum course size is 30 students. These individuals are identified from countries worldwide. Previous peacekeeping experience is desirable but not required.