

Advanced Planning for Integrated Missions

Course Overview

AIM: To prepare participants with an understanding of the multi-dimensional/multi-disciplinary environment of complex peace operations in order that they can more effectively perform their roles and functions as the planning and managing staff members of an AU/UN mission.

This is an accelerated and intensive learning opportunity focused on planning in an integrated mission.

The primary purpose of this course is to support participants in reinforcing/enhancing their understanding of the critical issues in planning and leading complex peace operations. Participants will focus on grappling with key questions pertaining to security, humanitarian operations, legal and ethical issues and mission credibility and success.

This will be managed by providing participants with a immersive and challenging learning environment where they will be guided and mentored by the PPC's experienced team of facilitators.

The ultimate objective is to have participants understand the inter-connectivity of the various actors and activities involved in complex peace operations, and thus be able to develop sound plans that reflect this reality.

The course is constructed in two one-week modules:

Module 1:	Aspects of Complex Peace Operations
Module 2:	Mission Planning Practicum

The first module will focus the participants on the strategic analysis of contemporary conflict and peace operations, including the broader processes of humanitarian aid, rule of law, codes of conflict and discipline. This emphasis during the first module is on developing analytical tools and then using them to practice problem solving on relevant integrated mission issues.

In the second module, participants undertake the task of developing multi-disciplinary planning design. Through a combination research, discussion and problem-solving, they seek to address key mission planning challenges for specific contemporary complex operations.

The targeted participant is an upper-level career officer, either in the police or military (Lt. Col – Col.) or humanitarian or development workers in middle-leadership positions.

Ideally, participants will have recent mission experience, or are planning on deploying in the near future.