



Course Syllabus
Modern Peace-Support Operations

Moderna fredsfrämjande insatser

Course Code	2KR013	Main Field of Study	War Studies
Valid from Semester	Spring 2022	Department	Department of War Studies and Military History
Education Cycle	Advanced level	Subject	War Studies
Scope	7.5	Language of Instruction	The teaching is conducted in English.
Progression	A1N	Decided by	Swedish Defence University
Grading Scale	Fail, Pass, Pass with Distinction	Decision date	2022-01-01
Revision	1.0		

Entry Requirements

Accepted to the Master's Programme in Politics and War. For freestanding course: Bachelor of Science Degree in Military Studies or Bachelor's degree worth 180 credits, of which 90 credits are in war studies or equivalent.

Course Content and Structure

The course focuses on modern examples of the international community's efforts to prevent or deter armed conflicts. These efforts take many forms, such as attempts to enter into negotiations and financial sanctions, but questions about the use of force (or threats thereof) to prevent another's use of force are often raised in relation to military interventions in particular. The course covers decision-making regarding international operations at both the national and the international level (including decisions in different international organisations). The course also touches on questions about the composition, tasks and effectiveness of the intervening units. Throughout the course, the ethical dimensions of interventions are problematised – from norms of obligation to protect and the Westphalian order.

Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the course, the student shall be able to:

- critically compare different theories about military interventions
- independently identify different challenges in international peacekeeping operations
- analyse decision-making about operations, approaches and organisational learning in international peacekeeping operations
- problematise different ways of evaluating the benefits and effectiveness of international operations
- evaluate arguments about international peacekeeping operations based on ethical considerations

Type of Instruction

The course is conducted through lectures, self-studies and seminars.

Assessment

Examination

Scope: 7.5

Grading Scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with Distinction

Assessment takes place through both active and constructive participation in mandatory seminars and through a written assignment.

At the examiner's discretion, absence from mandatory seminars can be made up by submitting a written supplementary assignment.

The examiner may decide to allow supplementation in order to achieve a passing grade.

Examination papers submitted after the deadline will not be graded unless special circumstances exist that are acceptable to the examiner. After announcement of the supplemental task, the student has three days for supplementation, unless special circumstances exist that are acceptable to the examiner.

Grading

Grades are set according to a three-grade scale: Pass with Distinction (VG), Pass (G) and Fail (U).

To earn the grade Pass with Distinction (VG) in the course, the student must actively and constructively participate in mandatory components and earn a grade of Pass with Distinction (VG) on the written assignment.

To earn the grade Pass (G), the student must actively and constructively participate in mandatory components and earn a grade of Pass on the written assignment.

Grading criteria are specified in the course description.

Restrictions in Number of Examinations

There is no limit on the total number of examination opportunities.

Restrictions Concerning Degree

The course cannot be part of a degree with another course whose content matches the content of this course in whole or in part.

Transitional Provisions

When a course is no longer provided or when the content of a course has been significantly altered, the student has the right to be examined in accordance with this course syllabus once per semester over a period of three semesters.

Miscellaneous

The course is given as an elective course within the Master's Programme in Politics and War. It can also be given as a freestanding course.

The course is given in English.

On completion of the course, an evaluation will be conducted under the auspices of the course director and will serve as the basis for any changes to the course.

If a student has a decision from the Swedish Defence University on special educational support due to a disability, the examiner may decide on alternative forms of examination for the student.



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