

**Course Name - course code**

**International Peace Operations – Semester 1 – LW 5123 (updated Jul 24))  
Irish Centre for Human Rights  
School of Law  
Academic year 2024.25**

**LL.M. in International Peace Operations, Humanitarian Law and Conflict  
Other LL.M. programmes at Irish Centre for Human Rights**

**Provisional Course Outline/Syllabus – Subject to change**

<b>Objective</b>	<b>Aim:</b> the aim of this course is to critically analyze the principles of peacekeeping and apply these to a number of contemporary and past missions.			
<b>Lecturers</b>	<b>Name</b> Prof Ray Murphy	<b>Office</b> Irish Centre for Human Rights	<b>Ext</b> 3081	<b>E-mail</b> ray.murphy@universityof galway.ie
<b>Times</b>	<b>Semester</b> Seminars	<b>Day</b> Thursday	<b>Time</b> 10 am to 1 pm	<b>Venue</b> Irish Centre for Human Rights or alternative venue on campus
<b>Overall Learning Outcomes</b>	Upon completion of this course you will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discuss and evaluate the principles of peace support operations;</li><li>• Explain the difference between traditional peacekeeping, peace enforcement; enforcement action under the UN Charter, and peace support operations;</li><li>• Critically evaluate the political framework for peace operations.</li><li>• Examine and critically assess the UN Charter, command and control of authorized and approved UN operations;</li><li>• Critically analyse the Use of force under international law and its relevance to peacekeeping;</li><li>• Critically analyze and discuss a number of contemporary and past peace operations;</li><li>• Explain the legal basis and framework governing peace support operations;</li><li>• Critically discuss the political constraints on peace support operations;</li><li>• Examine the role of regional organizations such as NATO and the EU in peace support operations;</li><li>• Compare and contrast peacekeeping operations around the world;</li><li>• Critically evaluate civilian-military relations on peace support missions.</li></ul>			
<b>Format</b>	The course comprises a combination of seminars as well as guest lectures and the possibility of a field trip.  This is a 10 credit course for students taking the LL.M. in peace support operations. It is also an optional 10 credit course for students taking other LL.M. programmes. Students are expected to read material in advance, and to			

**Course Name - course code**

	<p>engage in debate and discussion of the relevant issues during seminars.</p> <p align="center"><b>THERE WILL BE A VISIT TO THE IRISH DEFENCE FORCES IN OCTOBER. THIS WILL INCLUDE TALKS ON PEACEKEEPING AND IHL ISSUES BY DEFENCE FORCES PERSONNEL, ALONG WITH A DISPLAY OF WEAPONS YOU ARE LIKELY TO ENCOUNTER IN THE FIELD.</b></p>
<b>Programme(s)</b>	LL.M. programmes, full-time and part-time
<b>Course Material</b>	<p>A course web is available at <a href="http://blackboard.nuigalway.ie">http://blackboard.nuigalway.ie</a></p> <p>Additional resources available at media services</p>
<b>Core Texts in bold</b>	<p><b>General reading:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Paul D. Williams with Alex J. Bellamy, <i>Understanding Peacekeeping</i>, 3rd Edition, (2021) Polity publishers, Cambridge.</b> ISBN 13 978-0-7456-8671-4; 978-0-7456-8671-1 (pb)</li> <li>• <i>Documents on the Law of UN Peace Operations</i> (OUP), Bruce Oswald, Helen Durham, and Adrian Bates.</li> <li>• <i>Advanced Introduction to International Conflict and Security Law</i>, N D White, (Elgar publishers, 2014)</li> <li>• <i>Annual Review of Global Peace Operations</i> for the years 2006 to 2010. Published by Center on International Cooperation, NYU/Lynne Rienner, Boulder Colorado, USA and <b>Richard Gowan and Ryan Rappa, <i>Global Peace Operations Review 2018</i>, Centre on International Cooperation NYU 2019.</b></li> <li>• Oxfam, <i>Protection of Civilians in 2010- Facts, figures and the UN Security Council Response</i>, May 2011 – <a href="http://www.oxfam.org">www.oxfam.org</a></li> <li>• Alain Doss, <i>Great Expectations: UN Peacekeeping, Civilian Protection and the Use of Force</i>, Geneva Centre for Security Policy, GSPC Geneva Papers – Research Series No. 4, December 2011 <a href="http://reliefweb.int/report/world/great-expectations-un-peacekeeping-civilian-protection-and-use-force#.T404Fqtlibk.email">http://reliefweb.int/report/world/great-expectations-un-peacekeeping-civilian-protection-and-use-force#.T404Fqtlibk.email</a></li> <li>• <b>Koops, McQueen, Tardy, Williams, <i>The Oxford Handbook of United Nations Peacekeeping Operations</i>, Oxford University Press, 2015. 341.584 OXF</b></li> <li>• <b>Christian Henderson, <i>The Use of Force and International Law</i>, CUP, 2018, esp. Chapter 5 on UN Peacekeeping and the Use of Force pp.167-202.</b></li> <li>• Meredith, M., <i>The State of Africa – a history of fifty years of independence</i>, London: Free Press, 2005.</li> <li>• <b>International Commission on Intervention and State Sovereignty (ICISS), <i>The Responsibility to Protect</i>, Vols. I and II, International Development Research Centre, 2001.</b></li> <li>• Leuven Manual on the International Law Applicable to Peace Operations, CUP 2017.</li> <li>• Murphy, R. <i>UN Peacekeeping in Lebanon, Somalia and Kosovo: Legal and Operational Issues in Context</i>, Cambridge University Press, 2007.</li> <li>• Simma, Bruno et al (eds.), <i>The Charter of the United Nations – A Commentary (1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>. Or 3<sup>rd</sup>. Edition)</i>, Chapter VI on Pacific Settlement of Disputes and Chapter VII on Action with respect to</li> </ul>

## Course Name - course code

- Threats to the Peace, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012).
- **Thakur, R, *United Nations, Peace and Security*, CUP, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ed 2017.**
  - White, N. and Klassen, K.(eds), *The UN, human rights and post-conflict situations*, (Manchester University Press, 2005).
  - C. Lekha Sriram, O. Martin-Ortega and J. Herman, *War, Conflict and Human Rights*, Routledge (2010).
  - ***Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response*, The Sphere Project, Geneva Switzerland – see [www.sphereproject.org/](http://www.sphereproject.org/)**
  - Wills, S., *Protecting Civilians – The Obligations of Peacekeepers*, Oxford: OUP, (2009).
  - Adebajo, A. *UN Peacekeeping in Africa*, Lynne Rinner, 2012.
  - Burke, Rosin. *Sexual Exploitation and Abuse by UN Military Contingents: Moving beyond the Current Status Quo and Responsibility under International Law*, Brill/Nijhoff, (2014).
  - Weiss, Thomas G. and Daws, Sam, *The Oxford Handbook on the United Nations*, Oxford University Press, 2007
  - **Wolfrum, R (ed), *Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law*, Oxford University Press, (2012) available electronically through NUI Galway library.**
  - *Pathways for Peace Inclusive Approaches to Preventing Violent Conflict*, UN World Bank 2018.
  - SIPRI, *ASSESSING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF EUROPEAN UNION CIVILIAN CSDP MISSIONS INVOLVED IN SECURITY SECTOR REFORM*, The Cases of Afghanistan, Mali and Niger, (Jair van der Lijn, Gretchen Baldwin, Romain Malejacq, Adam Sandor, Pauline Poupart, Makama bawa Oumarou and Saidou Oumarou Mahamane), 2024.

### United Nations Reports

Check UN website for Secretary General's reports to the Security Council and Security Council resolutions and mandates.

- *UN Security Council Handbook- a user's guide to practice and procedure*, Security Council Report, 2019.
- UN Security Council, *UN Secretary-General's Annual Report on Protection of Civilians, 14 May 2024*. Doc. S/2024/385.
- UN, Policy: *The Protection of Civilians in United Nations Peacekeeping*, UN Dept of Peace Operations Ref. 2019.17 (2019).
- UN, Policy 25 Oct 2019, *Authority, Command and Control in United Nations Peacekeeping Operations*, Dept of Peace Operations/Dept of Operational Support, Ref. 2019.23. (2019).
- UN Policy, *Joint Mission Analysis Centres (JMAC)*, UN Dept of Peace Operations Ref. 2020.06 (2020).
- 
- United Nations, *United Nations Infantry Battalion Manual (UNIBAM)* (2 nd ed.), Department of Peacekeeping Operations. 2020.
- *Report of the High-level Independent Panel on Peace Operations on uniting our strengths for peace: politics, partnership and people*,

**Course Name - course code**

**A/70/95-S/2015/446, 17 June 2015-** sometimes referred to as HIPPO Report.

- UN Women, *Preventing Conflict, Transforming Justice, Securing the Peace - A Global Study on the Implementation of United Nations Security Council resolution 1325*, 2016.
- ***United Nations Peacekeeping Operations, Principles and Guidelines***, UN, Dept. of Peacekeeping Operations/Dept of Field Support, New York, 2008 ('Capstone Document') (available on line).
- *Handbook on United Nations Multidimensional Peacekeeping Operations*, UN 2003.
- *Comprehensive report on strengthening the capacity of the United Nations to manage and sustain peace operation-* Report of the Secretary-General, A/61/858 13 April 2007.
- E. Eide, A. Kaspersen, R. Kent, K von Hippel, *Report on Integrated Missions – Independent Study for the Expanded UN ECHA Core Group*, May 2005.
- In larger freedom: towards development, security and human rights for all – Report of the Secretary General, UN Document A/59/2005, 21 March 2005.
- Ban Ki-moon, 'Implementing the Responsibility to Protect: Report of the Secretary-General', A/63/677, 12 January 2009.
- *A more secure world: our shared responsibility*, *Report of the High-level Panel on Threats, Challenges and Change*, UN Document A/59/565, 2 December 2004.
- *Secretary-General's Bulletin on Observance by UN forces of international humanitarian law*, UN Document ST/SGB/1993/3 of 6 August 1999, 1 June 1994.
- *Report of the Commission of Inquiry established pursuant to Resolution 885 (1993) to investigate attacks on UNOSOM II personnel*, UN Document S/1994/653.
- *Report of the Secretary-General on Administrative and Budgetary Aspects of the Financing of United Nations Peacekeeping Operations*, UN Document A/51/389.
- *Report of the Secretary-General on the implementations of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations*, UN Document A/56/732, 21 December 2001.
- *A Review of United Nations Peacekeeping*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed., New York: United Nations, 1996.
- United Nations, *Managing Arms in Peace Processes: Somalia*, New York: United Nations Institute Disarmament Research, 1995.
- United Nations, *Report of the Panel on UN Peacekeeping Operations (Brahimi Report)*, UN, A/55/305-S/2000/809, 23 August 2000.
- Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to General Assembly resolution 53/35 - The fall of Srebrenica, General Assembly A/54/549, 15 November 1999.
- Report of the Independent Inquiry into the action of the United

**Course Name - course code**

	<p>Nations during the 1994 genocide in Rwanda, Security Council S/1999/1257, 16 December 1999.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• United Nations, <i>The United Nations and Somalia 1992-1996</i>, The United Nations Blue Book Series, Vol. VIII, New York: United Nations, 1996.</li><li>• United Nations, <i>Secretary-General's Report on the Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict</i>, S/1999/957 of 8 September 1999.</li><li>• Report of the Military Staff Committee, General Principles Governing the Organisation of the Armed Forces Made Available to the Security Council by Member Nations of the UN, UN Security Council Official Reports Supp. (no.1), UN Document. S/336, 1947.</li><li>• Peacekeeping Best Practices – Best Practices Unit, Department of Peacekeeping Operations.</li><li>• S. Chesterman, 'The Use of Force in UN Peace Operations', 2004.</li><li>• Handbook on United Nations Multi-dimensional Peacekeeping Operations, 2003.</li></ul>
	<p><b>Reading:</b> Relevant articles from <i>International Peacekeeping</i> (Frank Cass) and <i>Journal of International Peacekeeping</i> (Martinus Nihof- formerly <i>Yearbook of International Peacekeeping</i> (Kluwer).</p> <p><b>Websites:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Providing for Peacekeeping</li></ul> <p><a href="http://www.providingforpeacekeeping.org/">http://www.providingforpeacekeeping.org/</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>UN Action for Peacekeeping A4P-</b> <a href="https://peacekeeping.un.org/en/action-for-peacekeeping-a4p">https://peacekeeping.un.org/en/action-for-peacekeeping-a4p</a></li><li>• UN Peacekeeping Best Practices Unit – <a href="http://www.peacekeepingbestpractices.unlb.org">www.peacekeepingbestpractices.unlb.org</a></li><li>• Insights into what is going on in the UN Security Council; <a href="http://www.whatsinblue.org/">http://www.whatsinblue.org/</a></li><li>• U.N. Wire is sponsored by the United Nations Foundation (<a href="http://www.unfoundation.org">www.unfoundation.org</a>) and its sister organization, the Better World Fund (<a href="http://www.betterworldfund.org">www.betterworldfund.org</a>), which are dedicated to supporting UN efforts on behalf of the environment, population stabilization and children's health.</li><li>• Reports from <i>International Crisis Group (ICG)</i> website: (<a href="http://www.crisisweb.org">www.crisisweb.org</a>) and <a href="http://www.rand.org">www.rand.org</a> and <a href="http://www.reliefweb.int">www.reliefweb.int</a> <a href="http://www.cic.nyu.edu/">http://www.cic.nyu.edu/</a> -</li><li>• <b>Centre on International Cooperation (CIC)</b> at NYU; <a href="http://hsrgroup.org/">http://hsrgroup.org/</a> - Human Security Monitor <a href="http://www.providingforpeacekeeping.org">www.providingforpeacekeeping.org</a>.</li></ul> <p>There you can find the thematic papers, the individual country profiles, the list of experts, as well as a complete database of all TCC/PCC contributions since 1990 Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations – <a href="http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/ctte/CTTEE.htm">http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/ctte/CTTEE.htm</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reports <a href="http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/ctte/spcmt_rep.htm">http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/ctte/spcmt_rep.htm</a></li><li>• <b>EU External Action Service – Conflict Prevention</b> -</li></ul>

## Course Name - course code

[http://eeas.europa.eu/cfsp/conflict\\_prevention/index\\_en.htm](http://eeas.europa.eu/cfsp/conflict_prevention/index_en.htm)

- **Peace Operations Monitor** – civilian monitoring of complex peace operations – [www.pom.peacebuild.ca/](http://www.pom.peacebuild.ca/)  
[www.unitedinpeacekeeping.org](http://www.unitedinpeacekeeping.org) – US based website on peacekeeping
- **Uppsala Conflict Data Programme** – <http://www.pcr.uu.se/research/UCDP/>
- **Geneva Academy War Report (started 2013)**  
<https://www.geneva-academy.ch/our-projects/our-projects/armed-conflict/detail/30-the-war-report>

**UN-INSTRAW** launched its new resource on [Gender Training for Peacekeepers](#) in 2007. The interactive resource aims to facilitate gender mainstreaming in peacekeeping operations. It presents an overview of pre-deployment and in-mission gender training provided to peacekeeping personnel and includes information and resources for institutions interested in incorporating gender issues onto their training agenda.

Visit the web resource at <http://www.un-instraw.org/jdata/en/gender-training-for-peace-keepers.html>

- [www.conflictmonitors.org](http://www.conflictmonitors.org) -The Conflict Monitors provide concise and current information on peace and security issues in Afghanistan and Pakistan.
- The Dag Hammarskjold Library of the United Nations has launched a new web blog (web log), UN Pulse, an alert to just-released UN online information, major reports, publications and documents. UN Pulse at <http://unhq-appspub-01.un.org/lib/dhlrefweblog.nsf> is accessible from the Library's web page as well.
- Human security reports from the Human Security Centre [www.humansecuritybrief.info](http://www.humansecuritybrief.info) and [www.humansecurityreport.info](http://www.humansecurityreport.info)
- **Response to natural disasters** – see [www.sphereproject.org/](http://www.sphereproject.org/)
- CDA Collaborative Learning Projects, *The Do No Harm Handbook* (The Framework for Analyzing the Impact of Assistance on Conflict) A Product of the Do No Harm Project (Local Capacities for Peace Project) (revised 2004) - <http://www.cdainc.com/dnh/docs/DoNoHarmHandbook.pdf>

### Arms controls web sites:

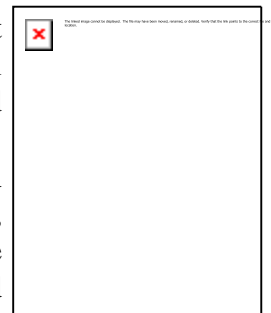
#### ICRC:

<http://www.icrc.org/eng/war-and-law/weapons/small-arms-availability/index.jsp>

Stockholm International Peace Research Institute:  
<http://www.sipri.org/>

#### UN Office of Disarmament Affairs:

<http://www.un.org/disarmament/convarms/ArmsTradeTreaty/>



## Course Name - course code

	UNIDIR: <a href="http://unidir.org/html/en/home.html">http://unidir.org/html/en/home.html</a>  <b>Geneva Academy of IHL/HR</b> Blog <a href="http://armstradetreaty.blogspot.com/">http://armstradetreaty.blogspot.com/</a> Control arms campaign: <a href="http://www.controlarms.org/home">http://www.controlarms.org/home</a>
<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Assignments and dissertation</b> - Assessment/examination will be based on a written assignment of five thousand words (excluding footnotes and bibliography). Date for submission is in the LLM guidelines.

### Other Information:

The following is a list of topics that it is planned to cover during the semester. This is provisional. These may change and may not be dealt with in the sequence outlined.

#### Topic 1

Introduction to the LL.M. in International Peace Support Operations and general discussion on the course requirements and related topics. Definition of terms and concepts. Prescribed reading. Historical background and introduction to principles of peacekeeping;

#### Required reading:

- **Brief Introduction to UN peacekeeping on the UN website.**
- UN, *Protection of Civilians in United Nations Peacekeeping Handbook*, UN Department of Peacekeeping, 2020.
- UN Action for Peacekeeping A4P- <https://peacekeeping.un.org/en/action-for-peacekeeping-a4p>
- Richard Gowan and Ryan Rappa, *Global Peace Operations Review 2018*, Centre on International Cooperation NYU 2019.
- *UN Security Council Handbook- a user's guide to practice and procedure*, Security Council Report, 2019- Part 1 and 2, pp. 1-40. (available on line)
- UN, Policy: *The Protection of Civilians in United Nations Peacekeeping*, UN Dept of Peace Operations Ref. 2019.17 (2019).
- UN, Policy 25 Oct 2019, *Authority, Command and Control in United Nations Peacekeeping Operations*, Dept of Peace Operations/Dept of Operational Support, Ref. 2019.23. (2019).
- Ronald Hatto, 'From peacekeeping to peacebuilding: the evolution of the role of the United Nations in peace operations', Special edition of the IRRC 2014, 'Multinational Operations and the Law', *International Review of the Red Cross*, Vol. 95, No.891/92, 2013, p. 495.
- *United Nations Peacekeeping Operations, Principles and Guidelines*, UN, Dept of Peacekeeping Operations/Dept of Field Support, New York, 2008 (available on line).
- Peace Operations Training Institute. *Protection of Civilians*, Williamsburg, 2016.

#### Reference readings:

- Wolfrum, R (ed), *Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law*, Oxford University Press, (2012) available electronically through NUI Galway library.
- Simma, Bruno et al (eds.), *The Charter of the United Nations – A Commentary (1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>. Or 3<sup>rd</sup>. Edition)*, Chapter VI on Pacific Settlement of Disputes and Chapter VII on Action with respect to Threats to the Peace, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012).

## Course Name - course code

- UN Mandates; - Security Council Research Report, *Is Christmas Really Over?*
- *Improving the Mandating of Peace Operations*, 2019, No. 1, 22 February 2019. (This report is available online at [securitycouncilreport.org](http://securitycouncilreport.org).)
- UN Policy, *Joint Mission Analysis Centres (JMAC)*, UN Dept of Peace Operations Ref. 2020.06 (2020).
- United Nations, *United Nations Infantry Battalion Manual (UNIBAM)* (2 nd ed.), Department of Peacekeeping Operations. 2020.

### Topic 2 Introduction to Peacekeeping – part 2.

- Political and legal framework for peace operations. The UN Charter, command and control, authorized and approved UN operations. **Use of force under international law**. The role of regional organizations - NATO and the EU.

#### Required reading:

- Christian Henderson, *The Use of Force and International Law*, CUP, 2018, esp. Chapter 5 on UN Peacekeeping and the Use of Force pp.167-202.
- Wolfrum, R (ed), *Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law*, Oxford University Press, (2012) available electronically through NUI Galway library.
- Alain Doss, *Great Expectations: UN Peacekeeping, Civilian Protection and the Use of Force*, Geneva Centre for Security Policy, GSPC Geneva Papers – Research Series No. 4, December 2011. <http://reliefweb.int/node/484430#.T404Fqt1ibk.email>
- UN Action for Peacekeeping A4P- <https://peacekeeping.un.org/en/action-for-peacekeeping-a4p>
- Richard Gowan and Ryan Rappa, *Global Peace Operations Review 2018*, Centre on International Cooperation 2018.
- UN Report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and its Working Group 2009 substantive session (23 February-20 March 2009) General Assembly Official Records Sixty-third Session Supplement No. 19 (available on line)
- Special Research Report, *Security Council Action under Chapter VII: Myths and Realities*, 23 June 2008 (available on line – [www.securitycouncilreport.org](http://www.securitycouncilreport.org)-

#### General reading:

- *The Blue Helmets – A Review of United Nations Peacekeeping*, (3 rd. ed., New York: United Nations).
- Simma, Bruno et al (eds.), *The Charter of the United Nations – A Commentary (1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>. Or 3 rd. Edition)*, Chapter VI on Pacific Settlement of Disputes and Chapter VII on Action with respect to Threats to the Peace, (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012).
- Oxfam, *Protection of Civilians in 2010- Facts, figures and the UN Security Council Response*, May 2011 – [www.oxfam.org](http://www.oxfam.org)
- White, N.D., *Keeping the peace-The United Nations and the maintenance of international peace and security*, (2 ed.), Manchester: Manchester University Press, 1997. Part 1, ‘The Security Council’, pp. 3-32; Chapter 3, ‘Powers, practices and effectiveness of the Security Council’, pp. 80-139 and Chapter 9, ‘Peacekeeping in Practice’, pp. 248-284.

### Topic 3



## R2P – the Responsibility to Protect

- International Coalition for Responsibility to Protect: <http://www.responsibilitytoprotect.org/>
- Kofi Annan, UN Secretary-General, 'We the Peoples: Role of the UN in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,' UNGA A/54/2000, 27 March 2000.
- AJ Bellamy and PD Williams, 'The new politics of protection? Côte d'Ivoire, Libya and the responsibility to protect', *International Affairs* 87: 4, (2011), pp. 848 and 849.
- **AJ Bellamy, 'The Responsibility to Protect – Five Years On', 24(2) *Ethics and International Affairs* (2010) 143-69.**
- **John Dugard, The choice before us: International law or the 'rules-based international order'? *Leiden Journal of International Law* (2023) 26, pp. 223-232.**
- Ban Ki-moon, 'Implementing the Responsibility to Protect: Report of the Secretary-General', A/63/677, 12 January 2009.
- V Lowe and A Tzanakopoulos, 'Humanitarian Intervention' in R Wolfrum (ed), *Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law*, Oxford University Press, (2012), pp. 47-59.
- The Responsibility to Protect and the Problem of Regime Change, e-International Relations, 2011 Nov, pp. 15-17- In particular articles by Thomas Weiss, 'Whither R2P?'; Mary Ellen O'Connell, 'How to lose a Revolution' and Alex J Bellamy, 'R2P and the Problem of Regime Change.' <http://www.e-ir.info/wp-content/uploads/R2P.pdf>
- UN, *A more secure world: our shared responsibility*, *Report of the High-level Panel on Threats, Challenges and Change*, UN Document A/59/565, (New York, 2 December 2004), 66 para. 203.
- **International Commission on Intervention and State Sovereignty, *The Responsibility to Protect – Report of the International Commission on Intervention and State Sovereignty*, (Ottawa 2001).**
- See generally JL Holzgrefe and RO Keohane (eds.), *Humanitarian Intervention – Ethical, Legal and Political Dilemmas*, (Cambridge University Press, 2003).
- The EU and Human Rights at the UN: 2011 Review, Richard Gowan and Franziska Brantner [http://www.ecfr.eu/page/-/ECFR39\\_UN\\_UPDATE\\_2011\\_MEMO\\_AW.pdf](http://www.ecfr.eu/page/-/ECFR39_UN_UPDATE_2011_MEMO_AW.pdf)

## Topic 4-

**Possible visit to Defence Forces and seminar led by Defence Forces personnel on issues related to Peacekeeping (including international humanitarian law). This would be a full morning event.**

or

**Part II - Case Study Exercise for Sierra Leone – handout to be distributed before seminar- Prof Ray Murphy**

EU Crisis Management Operations – where to after Ukraine?

## Topic 5

## International Human Rights/International humanitarian law and Peace Support Operations

The Convention for the Protection of UN Personnel, Secretary-General' Bulletin on Observance by UN forces of international humanitarian law. The nature of the UN Organization, Issues of command and control. International human rights treaties and instruments.

### Required reading:

- Helmut Philipp Aust, 'The UN Human Rights Due Diligence Policy: An Effective Mechanism against Complicity of Peacekeeping Forces?' *Journal of Conflict and Security Law*, 2020 (online).
- N.D. White and K. Klassen (eds), *The UN, human rights and post-conflict situations*, (Manchester University Press, 2005)
- R. Murphy, 'United Nations Military Operations and International Humanitarian Law: What Rules Apply to Peacekeepers?', *Criminal Law Forum – An International Journal*, Vol. 14 (2), 2003, pp. 153-194.C.
- Greenwood, 'IHL and Peace Support Operations', *Yearbook of International Humanitarian Law*, Vol. 1, 1998, Kluwer (1998), pp. 3-34.
- **Reference:**  
*Commentary, The Geneva Conventions I, II, III, IV of 12 August 1949*, Geneva: ICRC (Four separate volumes - paperback reprints 1994/1995).  
*Commentary on the Additional Protocols of 8 June 1977 to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949*, Dordrecht: Martinus Nijhoff, (1987).  
Murphy, R. *UN Peacekeeping in Lebanon, Somalia and Kosovo: Legal and Operational Issues in Context*, Cambridge University Press, 2007.  
R. Gutman & D. Rieff (eds.), *Crimes of War (2<sup>nd</sup>. Ed.)*, New York: Norton and Co. (2007).  
*Dishonoured Legacy, Report of the Commission of Enquiry into the Deployment of Canadian Forces to Somalia*, Canadian Government Publishing, Ottawa, 1997.  
M. Katayanagi, *Human Rights of United Nations Peacekeeping*, Martinus Nijhoff, 2002.

## Topic 6

- **ONUC and MONUC/MONUSCO (Congo)** - An examination of controversies surrounding the establishment and deployment of the force, lack of clarity in the mandates adopted and the confusion created by attempting to change peacekeeping mission to that of peace enforcement.

### Readings:

- Jenna Russo "Militarised peacekeeping: lessons from the Democratic Republic of the Congo" (2021) 42(12) *Third World Quarterly* 3070.
- Center for Civilians in Conflict "Prioritising the Protection of Civilians During Peacekeeping Transitions: Lessons Learned from MONUSCO" (2022).
- Ray Murphy, UN Peacekeeping in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Protection of Civilians, 21 (1) *Journal of Conflict and Security Law*, 2016.
- NUPI WORKING PAPER. de Coning, Cedric H. PEACE OPERATIONS IN AFRICA: THE NEXT DECADE. NUPI Working Paper 721, 18 pages. The paper presents the complexity of peace operations today, with special attention to the innovations that have

## Course Name - course code

- emerged out of operations in Africa (2007).
- Adebajo, A. *UN Peacekeeping in Africa*, Lynne Rienner, 2012.
  - Gibbs, D. N., 'Dag Hammarskjold, The United Nations, and the Congo Crisis of 1960-61; A Reinterpretation', *The Journal of Modern African Studies*, 1993.
  - Durch W.J., *The Evolution of UN Peacekeeping*, MacMillan Press, 1994.
  - Meredith M., *The First Dance of Freedom*, Sphere Books.
  - **Film showing prior to seminar – *The Price of Peace/Le Prix de la Paix* (UN documentary on MONUC)**

## Topic 7

- **UNIFIL (Lebanon)**- The political and diplomatic background to the establishment of the force. Resolution 425 and 426, the concept of operations, military effectiveness, co-operation of the parties and the use of force. The 1982 Israeli invasion and its aftermath. The 2006 conflict and adoption of Resolution 1701.

R. Murphy, Peacekeeping in Lebanon and Civilian Protection, 17 (2) *Journal of Conflict and Security Law*, (2012), pp. 1-30.

UN Human Rights Council, *Report of the Commission of Inquiry on Lebanon pursuant to Human Rights Council Resolution S-2-1*, 23 November 2006, A/HRC/3/2 – www.unhcr.org

Murphy, R. *UN Peacekeeping in Lebanon, Somalia and Kosovo: Legal and Operational Issues in Context*, Cambridge University Press, 2007.

MacEinri, Piaras, 'Receding from Lebanon!', *Comhlámh*, 62 *Focus*, Dublin, 2000.

Skogmo, B., *International Peacekeeping in Lebanon, 1978-1988*, Boulder and London: Lynne Rienner, 1989.

Verrier, A., *International Peacekeeping*, Harmondsworth: Middlesex, 1981

Erskine, E., *Mission with UNIFIL*, London: Hurst and Company, 1989.

Weinberger, N.J., 'Peacekeeping Options in Lebanon', 37 (3) *Middle East Journal*, Summer 1983.

Human Rights Watch, *Civilian Pawns – Laws of War Violations and the Use of Weapons on the Israeli-Lebanon Border*, New York: Human Rights Watch, 1996.

*Commission of Inquiry into the events at the Refugee Camps in Beirut, 1983*, Final Report (authorized translation), published in *The Jerusalem Post*, 9 February 1983.

Ramesh Thakur, *International Peacekeeping in Lebanon*, Boulder and London: Westview Press, 1987.

Murphy, R., 'UN Peacekeeping in Lebanon and the Use of Force', 6 (2) *International Peacekeeping (F. Cass)*, Summer 1999.

Boerma, M., 'The United Nations Interim Force in the Lebanon; Peacekeeping in a Domestic Conflict', 8 (1) *Millennium Journal of International Studies*, Spring, 1979.

*Israel in Lebanon*, Report of the International Commission to Enquire into Reported Violations of International Law by Israel during its Invasion of the Lebanon, London: Ithaca Press, 1983.

## Topic 8

### Peace-building and the Rule of Law

**Readings: Rule of Law, Peace and Security and related areas on UN website**

- Béatrice Pouligny, *Peace Operations Seen from Below: UN Missions and Local People* (London: Hurst / Bloomfield (CT): Kumarian Press, 2006);
- Charles T. Call, ed., *Constructing Justice and Security After War* (Washington, D.C.: United States Institute of Peace Press, 2007), 377-382.
- Neil J. Kritz, "The Rule of Law in Conflict Management," in *Leashing the Dogs of War: Conflict Management in a Divided World*, eds. Chester A. Crocker, Fen Osler Hampson, and Pamela Aall (Washington, D.C.: United States Institute of Peace Press, 2007), 421.
- Golub, S., 2003, 'Beyond Rule of Law Orthodoxy. The Legal Empowerment Alternative', *Rule of Law Series Working Papers* No. 41, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington D.C.
- Jonathan Goodhand and David Hulme, 'From Wars to Complex Political Emergencies: Understanding Conflict and Peace-Building in the New World Disorder', *Third World Quarterly*, Vol. 20, No. 1, (1999), pp.13-26
- United Nations Development Program, *Strengthening Rule of Law within and Early Recovery Framework: The UNDP Rule of Law Programme in Darfur* (2007)
- UNHCHR, *Rule of Law Tools for Post-Conflict States: Mapping the Justice Sector*, United Nations (2006)
- UNDP, *Revised Program Document: Strengthening the Justice System in Timor-Leste* (2005)
- Stromseth, Wippman & Brooks, 'Can Might Make Rights? Building the Rule of Law After Military Interventions' (CUP, 2006) [The rule of law and transitional justice in conflict and post-conflict societies: Report of the Secretary-General to the Security Council \(S/2011/634\)](#)
- Erik G. Jensen, 'Justice and the Rule of Law', in Charles T. Call with Vanessa Wyeth (eds) *Building States to Build Peace* (Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers), 119-142.
- *Access to Justice in Africa and Beyond: Making the Rule of Law a Reality*, (Penal Reform International, 2007)  
[http://www.etc-graz.at/typo3/fileadmin/user\\_upload/ETC\\_Hauptseite/Menschenrechte\\_lernen/POOL/AcesstoJusticeAfirca.PDF](http://www.etc-graz.at/typo3/fileadmin/user_upload/ETC_Hauptseite/Menschenrechte_lernen/POOL/AcesstoJusticeAfirca.PDF)

**Seminar 9**

**United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali and The Future of UN Peace Operations.**

To critically examine the nature of UN peacekeeping in Mali; whether stabilisation operations, quasi-combat or counter terrorism? The Wagner Group and recent anti-UN sentiment. What are the implications for the UN and peacekeeping in general?

**Readings:**

(you are **not** required to read all the recommended article)

**Mali**

UN Secretary General Reports on Mali/MINSUCO and UN website. International Crisis Group and Al Jazeera reports on Mali and the Sahel.

## Course Name - course code

Louise Wiuff Moe, “The Dark Side of Institutional Collaboration: How Peacekeeping-counterterrorism Convergences Weaken the Protection of Civilians in Mali” (2021) 28(1) *International Peacekeeping* 1.

John Karlsrud, “For the greater good?: ‘Good states’ turning UN peacekeeping towards counterterrorism”, *International Journal* 74(1) (2019), 65-83.

John Karlsrud, “From Liberal Peacebuilding to Stabilization and Counterterrorism”, 26 *International Peacekeeping* (2018), 1-21.

John Karlsrud, “The UN at war: examining the consequences of peace-enforcement mandates for the UN peacekeeping operations in the CAR, the DRC and Mali”, 36 *Third World Quarterly*, 1, (2015), 40-54.

Moda Dieng, “The Multinational Joint Task Force and the G5 Sahel Joint Force: The limits of military capacity-building efforts”, *Contemporary Security Policy* 40(4) (2019) 481-501.

Bruno Charbonneau, “Intervention in Mali: building peace between peacekeeping and counterterrorism”, 35(4) *Journal of Contemporary African Studies* (2017), 415-431, 421 and ‘Intervention as counter-insurgency politics’, 19 (3) *Conflict, Security & Development* (2019), 309-314.

Allard Dursma, ‘Information Processing Challenges in Peacekeeping Operations: A Case Study on Peacekeeping Information Collection Efforts in Mali’, *International Peacekeeping*, 25(3) (2018), 446-68.

Sophia Sabrow, ‘Local perceptions of the legitimacy of peace operations by the UN, regional organizations and individual states – a case study of the Mali conflict’, 24(1) (2017), *International Peacekeeping*, 159-86.

Katja Mielke, Max Mutschler & Esther Meininghaus, ‘For a Dynamic Approach to Stabilization’, *International Peacekeeping*, published on line March 2020.

## Future of Peacekeeping

### Peacekeeping is not counterinsurgency,

- The future Peace Operations Landscape, Final Report of the New Geopolitics of Peace Operations initiative, Stockholm International Peace Research institute, 2015  
[http://www.sipri.org/research/conflict/pko/other\\_publ/ngp-final-report](http://www.sipri.org/research/conflict/pko/other_publ/ngp-final-report)
- Hultman Lisa, ‘UN peace operations and protection of civilians: Cheap talk or norm implementation?’, *Journal of Peace Research*, 50(1) 59–73
- Report of the High-Level Independent Panel on Peace Operations, June 2015,  
[http://www.un.org/sg/pdf/HIPPO\\_Report\\_1\\_June\\_2015.pdf](http://www.un.org/sg/pdf/HIPPO_Report_1_June_2015.pdf)
- Multidimensional and Integrated Peace Operations : Trends and Challenges, Geneva Centre for Security Policy, GSPC Geneva Papers – Research Series No. 1, 2008.

## Guide for research essays

The **criteria for the assessment of the research essay** are as follows:

### Topic and research question

- Is the research question feasible?
- Have the key issues in the research question been identified?
- Is the essay discussion relevant to the research question?
- Is there evidence of reflection on, and application of themes, discussed in class, in so far as they are relevant to the essay?

### Research

- Has an appropriate range of primary and secondary sources been examined?
- Have up-to-date sources been used?
- Is the research material well understood?
- Is the material relied on authoritative?

### Structure

- Does the essay show evidence of planning?
- Does it have a coherent, systematic structure organised around a central argument or arguments?
- Does it have a well-crafted introduction, which sets out the structure of the essay and indicates what your main argument or arguments will be?
- Does it have a well-crafted conclusion?

### Analysis

- Does the essay make a point about the law, rather than merely describe the law?
- Does the essay avoid unsubstantiated generalisations?
- Has the research material been analysed for persuasiveness of argument, accuracy?
- Are opposing points of view discussed or otherwise adequately dealt with?

### Style

- Is the essay written clearly and concisely?
- Is there appropriate and accurate citation?
- Word length & Style guide
- Does the essay keep to the word limit? Footnotes are included in the word count.

Not all of the criteria are of equal weight. Originality will be rewarded.