



The Challenge of Contemporary Peacebuilding

Intensive 5 day Course (40 instructional hours) January 3-7, 2011

*This is a graduate level strategic studies course (STST 651.26) offered by the Centre for Military and Strategic Studies that is also open to professionals working in the fields of aid, peace and security through the Open Studies program at the University of Calgary.

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Location: MLT 909, University of Calgary, Alberta, Canada

This course examines the nature of contemporary civil wars and the challenges of stabilization, reconstruction and recovery encountered by modern international peace operations/peacebuilding missions. It will trace the origins and evolution of today's expansive international interventions to support war to peace transitions in places such as Afghanistan, Liberia, Kosovo and elsewhere. It will feature examination of the diverse and interconnected roles of international civilian and military agencies (the UN and other international organizations, donor states, foreign military forces and coalitions, NGOs, and commercial entities) in promoting humanitarian relief, physical security, development, human rights and, ultimately, sustainable peace. It will present influential social science research; as well, review the evolving "state of the art" amongst practitioners and policy makers.

The course will involve presentations, interactive exercises, case studies and a review of governance, transitional justice and the evaluation of peacebuilding outcomes.

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