

BRAZILIAN PEACE OPERATIONS JOINT TRAINING CENTER (Centro Conjunto de Operações de Paz do Brasil - CCOPAB)



Sergio Vieira de Mello Center

INTERNATIONAL OFFER OF COURSES – 2024

1. CCOPAB at a glance

The Brazilian Peace Operations Joint Training Center (CCOPAB, acronym in Portuguese) was created in 2010, based on the structure of the extinct Peace Operations Training Center (ClOpPaz, acronym in Portuguese) of the Brazilian Army, which had been operating since 2005, in Rio de Janeiro.

Its mission is to "prepare military, police and civilian personnel for peacekeeping and humanitarian demining missions under the aegis of international organizations, always being in line with the guidelines, standards and manuals of the United Nations and with the operational procedures approved in Humanitarian Demining".

The creation of the Center is the result of the growing need, perceived in the early 2000s, for troops better prepared to be deployed in missions under the aegis of international organizations, especially the United Nations. As well as the continuous improvement of this training, which has passed through several phases, adding value and leading to the good performance of Brazilian blue helmets and friendly nations in the most diverse peace operations.

Also called "Sergio Vieira de Mello Center" – in honor of the Brazilian diplomat killed on duty in Iraq in 2003 – the Center's milestone was the preparation of several Brazilian contingents that were deployed in the United Nations Mission for the Stabilization of Haiti (MINUSTAH), which took place from 2003 to 2017. However, it is worth highlighting that the activities was not limited to just that mission. Throughout its existence, in addition to preparing contingents, CCOPAB has demonstrated its versatility in conducting courses and internships for military, police and civilian personnel to work in the most varied and distinct missions based on international organizations.

The various activities, such as frequent exchanges with other national and international, civil and military institutions focused on peace operations, the regular participation of its instructors in national and international training and exercises, in addition to the six training recognition certifications granted by the UN, add value and brighten not only the image of CCOPAB as a center of excellence, but above all they positively impact the image of the Brazilian Army and Brazil in the international context.

Over the years, the Center has sought to continually improve its training to better meet the growing and more varied demands that arise in areas of conflict and where there is a peace operation deployed.

2. 2024 Course Calendar

Course	Phase	Initial date	End date	Idiom
Civil Military Coordination	e-Learning	February 12 th	February 23 th	- English
	In person	February 26 th	March 1 st	
Logistics and Reimbursement in Peace Operations	e-Learning	March 18 th	March 29 th	Portuguese
	In person	April 1 st	April 5 th	
United Nations Staff Officers - 1 st Edition	e-Learning	April 22 th	May 3 rd	- English
	In person(1)	May 6 th	June 21 st	
United Nations Military Observers – 1 st Edition	e-Learning	April 22 th	May 3 rd	- English
	In person(1)	May 6 th	June 21 st	
United Nations Police – 1 st Edition	e-Learning	April 22 th	May 3 rd	- English
	In person(1)	May 6 th	June 21 st	
United Nations Protection of Civilians – 1 st Edition	e-Learning	June 17 th	June 21 st	- English
	In person	June 24 th	June 28 th	
United Nations Civilian Staff Officer	e-Learning	July 22 nd	July 26 th	- English
	In person	July 29 th	August 2 nd	
Mine Action	e-Learning	July 22 nd	August 2 nd	- Spanish
	In person	August 5 th	August 23 rd	
National Investigation Officer	e-Learning	August 19 th	August 30 th	Portuguese
	In person	September 2 nd	September 13 th	
United Nations Staff Officers – 2 nd Edition	e-Learning	September 9 th	September 20 th	- English
	In person(1)	September 23 th	November 8 th	
United Nations Military Observers – 2 nd Edition	e-Learning	September 9 th	September 20 th	- English
	In person(1)	September 23 th	November 8 th	
United Nations Police – 2 nd Edition	e-Learning	September 9 th	September 20 th	- English
	In person(1)	September 23 th	November 8 th	
United Nations Protection of Civilians – 2 nd Edition	e-Learning	November 4 th	November 8 th	- English
	In person	November 11 th	November 15 th	

Remark (1): The in person phase is divided into two sub phases, 3 weeks dedicated to technical language for peace operations and 4 weeks for CPTM and STM.

3. Enrollment Procedure

Applications should be submitted, in order of priority, through the following points of contact:

- a. Candidates Military Attachés in Brazil;
- b. Brazil Military Attachés in candidate's country; or
- c. Permanent Mission of Brazil to the UN.

Regardless of how the application is received, they will be forwarded to the International Affairs Section of the Army General Command, which will analyze the requests and verify the feasibility of paying for airline tickets and travel insurance. As soon as there is a response, it will be sent back to the interested party.

Another way to send requests is through Bilateral General Staff Conferences between Brazil and the candidate's country. However, this process must be carried out in the year prior to the course. Therefore, this modality should be used for applications for courses in 2025/2026, the dates of which have not yet been defined but which are not far from what will be carried out during the current year of instruction.