



Common Module **Cultural Awareness** Module Description

Implementation Group

Doc.: Date: 8-12-2015 Origin:

| Country | Institution | Module | ECTS | |
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| RO | Land Forces Academy | Cultural Awareness | 2.0 | |
| Service | Minimum Qualification for Lecturers | | | |
| All | | Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) or NATO STANAG 6001 Level 3. | | |
| | Intercultural competence. | | | |
| Languages | Teaching experience related | to the topic. | | |
| English | Adequate knowledge of international security | | | |
| 9 | Thorough knowledge of the topic taught and\or operational experience. | | | |
| | Competence area - Combat-Ready Role Model | | | |
| SQF MILOF | Learning area - Cultural awareness | | | |

Prerequisites for international participants

• Learning area - Cultural awareness

Organisation level - Single Arm/Branch

- English: Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) Level B1 or NATO STANAG Level 2.
- Minimum of 1 year national (military) higher education.
- Good knowledge of national culture.
- Basic knowledge of military operations.
- Good presentation skills.

Goals of the Module

- Cultural aspects of contemporary security environment and their influence on the effectiveness of military operations.
- Cultural dimensions and vulnerable categories of civilians in planning for military operations.

| outcomes | Knowledge | Identify the maim approaches to cultural research and understanding in the contemporary security environment. Perform review of national and religious identities in military and civilian cultures |
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| | Skills | Develop intercultural communication skills. Deal with cultural differences and similarities in planning for military operations. |
| Learning | Responsibility & Autonomy | Make decisions in coherence with cultural aspects of contemporary security environment. Demonstrate consideration of cultural dimensions and vulnerable categories of civilians in planning for military operations |

Verification of learning outcomes

Observation:

Throughout the Module students are to discuss given topics within syndicates and in the plenary. During these work students are to be evaluated to verify their competences.

Group and/or individual presentation(s) during the module. The type of the test is up to the Course Director. If needed, more tests may be conducted during the Module.

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| | | Module Details |
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| (the content is as Main Topic | an example and Recom- mended WH | and depends on the course director's decision) Details |
| E-learning (Fundamentals of Cultural Awareness) | 4 | Basics of Cultural Research.Gender issues. |
| E-learning Intercultural Communication) | 6 | Identify cultural differences and similarities.Recognise behaviour that could cause cultural offence. |
| E-learning (Cultural Impacts to Operational Effectiveness) | 2 | Understand the consequences of poor cultural interaction. |
| Fundamentals of Cultural Awareness | 2 | Introduction to the Module. Basic knowledge of shared European culture and identity. Familiarisation of national and religious identities. Diversity of military and civilian cultures. Dress and identity. |
| Intercultural Communication | 6 | Introduction to intercultural communication skills.Students' presentations. |
| Cultural Impacts to Operational Effectiveness | 4 | Ability to advise superiors on cultural issues. Research and deliver content relevant to cultural matters. Professional and individual self-development relating to the topic. |
| A | dditional hours | s to increase the learning outcomes |
| Syndicate Work | 10 | To promote Cultural Awareness.To increase understanding of intercultural competences. |
| Case studies and Discussions | 16 | To illustrate the importance of cultural context in the conduct of military training and operations. Each case study includes a problem, discussion, and proposed solutions. |
| Self-study | 10 | Preparation of a presentation on own culture. |
| Total | 60 | The amount of hours for the use of the developed e-learning is up to the module director. He/she may replace the e-learning hours/topics with residential phases. The detailed amount of hours for the respective main topic is up to the course director according to national law or home institution's rules. |

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List of Abbreviations:

| | B1, B2 |
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| Common European Framework of Reference for Languages | CEFR |
| European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System | |
| European Unior | EU |
| Implementation group | IG |
| North Atlantic Treaty Organization | NATO |
| Romania | RO |
| The Strategic Partnership | SP |
| Standardization Agreemen | STANAG |

