



**NORDEFCO**  
NORDIC DEFENCE COOPERATION



# UNMOC NORDEFCO

**United Nations Military Observer Course**

*The three-week UNMOC prepare officers for service as military observers in UN missions.*

## The contents of each course are divided into three different sections.

**During the first week** of the course, the students gain a basic knowledge of Peace Support Operations (PSO) and learn about observer and monitoring duties in theory.

**The second week's** focus is on performing as observers – using an interpreter, and negotiating and mediating.

**During the third week**, the students' skills are tested in a field exercise.

In addition, factors will be introduced including politics, society, religion, and the climate, topography and the environment in the mission area. On weekends, students can participate in short trips to get to know the Finnish culture.

Nordic students fill most of the 50 seats reserved for each course, while some of the students come from outside the Nordic countries.

*Since 1968, 4,200 students from 70 countries have participated in UNMOC.*



## Student criteria

- Professionally trained with six years of work experience minimum (Captain to Lieutenant Colonel).
- Ability to understand, speak and write the English language at level 2 according to STANAG 6001.
- A valid driver's license.
- Physically fit.
- Basic knowledge of computers.



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