

TWELFTH JOINT **GRADUATION** C E R E M O N Y



KAIPTC
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Theme:

Educating the Next Generation
of Peacebuilders in Africa

Saturday 9th December, 2023
Schroeder Hall, KAIPTC
0900Hrs

GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023

MGPS

MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE IN
GENDER, PEACE AND SECURITY

MCPS

MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE IN
CONFLICT, PEACE AND SECURITY

EMCPS

EXECUTIVE MASTER OF ARTS
DEGREE IN CONFLICT, PEACE
AND SECURITY

WMCPS

WEEKEND MASTER OF ARTS
DEGREE IN CONFLICT, PEACE
AND SECURITY

WMGPS

WEEKEND MASTER OF ARTS
DEGREE IN GENDER, PEACE
AND SECURITY



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BRIEF BACKGROUND OF THE KOFI ANNAN INTERNATIONAL PEACEKEEPING TRAINING CENTRE

The Ghana Ministry of Defence (MoD) established the Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (KAIPTC) in 1998 and commissioned it in 2004. The purpose of establishing KAIPTC was to build upon and share Ghana's five decades of internationally acclaimed experience and competence in peace operations with other African states, particularly those in the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) region.

This was in recognition of the need for training military, police and civilians to meet the changing demands of multi-dimensional peace operations. By the nature of its work and institutional requirements, KAIPTC was setup as an integrated civilian, military and police organisation, and has continued to enjoy high international visibility because of the quality of its training, research and academic programmes.

Since 2003, the Centre has been delivering training in various aspects of peace operations, conflict prevention and post-conflict reconstruction, according to United Nations (UN) standards. The Centre uses insights from its research work to inform the selection, design and delivery of internationally recognised and professional training courses and programmes in line with the capacity needs of ECOWAS, the African Union (AU), the UN and individual Member States.

Since the first course in 2003 on Disarmament, Demobilisation and Reintegration (DDR), KAIPTC has run over 485 courses for more than 17,221 individuals from over 100 countries and major organisations in Europe, North and South America, Asia and Africa. A total of 4,331 (25%) course graduates from the Centre are women. In recognition of the multi-dimensional and integrated nature of peace operations, KAIPTC has so far trained a total of 3,567 military personnel, 7,066 police officers and 6,588 civilians, (out of which about 994 (5.8%) are non-Africans). Training has been in the various professional skills and competencies required to meet present and future peace and security challenges in Africa and the rest of the world.

KAIPTC functions in close partnership with regional civil society organisations (CSOs), such as the West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) and the Center for Democratic Development - Ghana (CDD-Ghana).

This is in line with ECOWAS protocol relating to the mechanism for conflict prevention, management, resolution, peacekeeping and security adopted in 1999, and the ECOWAS Conflict Prevention Framework (ECPF) signed in 2008. These collaborations are anchored in Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) and the delivery of joint training and research programmes.

Gender mainstreaming remains a key priority of the Centre, especially in the selection of course participants, course content and staff recruitment. As a further demonstration of the Centre's commitment to the policy of mainstreaming gender into its operations, a number of work-place gender sensitive systems have been implemented over the years including a gender policy, an on-site nursing and childcare facility and a paternity leave concept for staff. The Centre in 2010 established a Women, Peace and Security Institute (WPSI). The Institute serves as "a knowledge centre for the expansion of technical capacity, training, policy research and analysis on women, peace and security to better inform the broader security agenda in Africa".

In 2011, the Centre obtained institutional and programme accreditation to offer post-graduate academic programmes in the areas of conflict, gender, peace and security. This step was taken to meet the growing demands and aspirations for continuing education of public and private sector employees involved or interested in conflict, peace and security issues. These academic programmes seek to equip Africans with the highest professional knowledge and standards in conflict prevention, resolution and management to respond to the emerging trends in peace and security on the African continent and beyond. The intent is to enhance African capacity in analysis, evidence-based decision-making and response to peace and security issues to complement the strategic and operational level training in peace and security provided at the Centre. Alumni of the academic programmes number 462 from 24 different countries spanning four continents: Africa, South America, Asia and Europe.

KAIPTC ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

The Centre currently runs the following academic programmes: Master of Arts in Conflict, Peace and Security (MCPS); Master of Arts in Gender, Peace and Security (MGPS); Executive Master of Arts in Conflict, Peace and Security (EMCPS); and the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in International Conflict Management (PICM). These programmes are targeted at security and intelligence institutions/agencies, international and regional organisations, civil/public servants, members of parliaments/governments, the judiciary, the diplomatic corps, civil society/non-governmental organisations and individuals with an interest in peace and security in Africa and beyond.

MASTER OF ARTS IN CONFLICT, PEACE AND SECURITY (MCPS)

The overall objective of the programme is to equip students with effective tools for analytical thinking, good judgement, leadership and other critical managerial skills in conflict, peace and security. The course is organised in four modular sessions within a period of one year as follows: First Session (January - February: 5 weeks); Second Session (May - June: 5 weeks); Third Session (August - September: 5 weeks) and Fourth Session: Writing of Dissertation (October January of the following year). Admission to the MCPS programme requires a good Bachelor's Degree (second class lower or better) or equivalent in any discipline from a recognised university. Basic understanding and comprehension of English is required.

MASTER OF ARTS IN GENDER, PEACE AND SECURITY (MGPS)

The overall objective of the programme is to equip students with effective tools for analytical thinking, good judgement, leadership and other critical managerial skills in gender, peace and security. The course is organised in four modular sessions within a period of one year as follows: First Session (June - July: 5 weeks); Second Session (November - December: 5 weeks); Third Session (February - March of subsequent year: 5 weeks) and Fourth Session: Writing of Dissertation (April - July of the subsequent year). Admission to the MGPS programme requires a good Bachelor's Degree (second class lower or better) or equivalent in any discipline from a recognised university. Basic understanding and comprehension of English is required. The course is open to both male and female applicants but female applicants are especially encouraged to apply.

EXECUTIVE MASTER OF ARTS IN CONFLICT, PEACE AND SECURITY - (EMCPS)

The overall objective of this weekend programme is to equip students with effective tools for analytical thinking, good judgement, leadership and other critical managerial skills in conflict, peace and security. The course is organised over the weekends, Fridays (1500hrs - 1900hrs) and Saturdays (0900hrs - 1500hrs). Classes will be held on alternate weekends. There will be no classes on public holidays. Admission to the EMCPS programme requires a good Bachelor's Degree (second class lower or better) or equivalent in any discipline from a recognised university. Basic understanding and comprehension of English is required.

MASTER OF ARTS IN CONFLICT, PEACE AND SECURITY - WEEKEND (WMCPS)

The overall objective of this weekend Master's Programmes is to equip participants with effective tools for analytical thinking, good judgment, leadership and other critical managerial skills in Conflict, Peace and Security. The course is organised over the weekends, Fridays (1500hrs - 1900hrs) and Saturdays (0900hrs - 1500hrs). Classes will be held every weekend. There will be no classes on public holidays. Admission to the WMCPS programme requires a good Bachelor's Degree (second class lower or better) or equivalent in any discipline from a recognised university. Basic understanding and comprehension of English is required.

MASTER OF ARTS IN GENDER, PEACE AND SECURITY - WEEKEND OPTION (WMGPS)

The overall objective of this programme is to equip students with skills and specialized knowledge to play meaningful roles in managing and providing professional leadership to achieve the highest professional standards in Gender, Peace and Security; Conflict Prevention, Resolution and Management; Peace Brokering and Security Management. The course will be organized in three modular sessions on weekends from (every Friday from 4pm to 7pm and Saturday from 9am - 3pm). There will be no classes on public holidays. Admission to the Master's Degree in Gender, Peace and Security requires a good Bachelor's Degree (second class lower or better), Applicants with Third Class must have at least five (5) years of relevant working experience and will be required to undergo interview. Basic understanding and comprehension of English is required. The course is opened to both male and female applicants, but female applicants are especially encouraged to apply.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PHD) IN INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT MANAGEMENT (PICM)

Applicants accepted into the programme will be exposed to broad interdisciplinary training and opportunities that draw on an array of social science and humanities disciplines. Graduates will be able to address problems from a sophisticated knowledge base of substantive and methodological approaches. Within the broad framework of KAIPTC's mandate, this four-year programme aims at equipping participants with effective tools of analytical thinking, good judgement, leadership and other critical managerial skills.

Candidates are required to obtain the following to qualify for admission: a good first degree (second class upper or above); an MPhil, MA or MSc (with a thesis/dissertation); and an excellent understanding and comprehension of English. In addition, candidates are required to submit a thesis proposal along with a completed application form to qualify for admission. Previous experience in security-related issues as well as working in a peace and security environment is an advantage.

MEMBERS OF THE KAIPTC GOVERNING BOARD

The Board of Governors for the Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (KAIPTC) plays a critical role in ensuring effective and transparent corporate governance of the Centre. The members are:

- Minister for Defence, Ghana (Chairperson)
- Minister for Foreign Affairs & Regional Integration, Ghana
- Chief of the Defence Staff, Ghana
- Inspector-General of Police, Ghana
- Commandant, KAIPTC
- The Chairperson, African Union Commission
- President, ECOWAS Commission
- UN Resident Coordinator, Ghana
- Ambassadors and High Commissioners of Development Partners from Austria, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Japan, Nigeria, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, and United States of America
- Director, Legon Centre for International Affairs and Diplomacy (LECIAD), University of Ghana
- Executive Director, Centre for Democratic Development (CDD-Ghana)
- Executive Director, West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP)
- Chief Director, Ministry of Defence, Ghana (Member/Secretary)



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Assistant Registrar, KAIPTC
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PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES

SRL	TIME (HRS)	EVENT	RESPONSIBILITY	REMARK
1	0830	Graduating Students and KAIPTC Staff Seated	Registrar, KAIPTC	
2	0845	Invited Guests Seated	Chief Coord	
3	0900	Academic Procession	Registrar, KAIPTC	
4		Opening Prayers: Christian	GHQ (RA)	
5		Declaration of Congregation duly Constituted	Prof. Samuel Kwaku Bonsu (Rector, GIMPA)	
6		Welcome Address	Major General Richard Addo Gyane (Commandant, KAIPTC)	
7		Presentation of MA Graduating Students	Dr. Kwaku Danso (Deputy Dean FAAR, KAIPTC)	
8		Conferment of MA Degrees	Prof. Samuel Kwaku Bonsu (Rector, GIMPA)	Fanfare
9		Musical Interlude	Band	
10		Introduction Guest of Honour	Dr Anna Mensah	
11		Graduation Address by Guest of Honour	Hon Bryan Acheampong	
12		Announcements	MC	
13		Dissolution of Congregation	Prof. Samuel Kwaku Bonsu (Rector, GIMPA)	
14		Closing Prayer: Muslim	GHQ (RA)	
15		Recession	Registrar, KAIPTC	
16		Group Photograph	Corporate Affairs	



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BEATRICE BEKOE-YEBOAH



NANCY AYIKU BOTCHWAY



NELSIE EUGENIE RUTH AD-
DOH-OI



NICHOLAS NII NUERH NORTEY



PATIENCE ELSIE ADRAH



WMGPS



AGNES AFI AGBEVADI



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GERALDO ANITA SEDINAM



JOYCE AMA KUWORNU



MCPS



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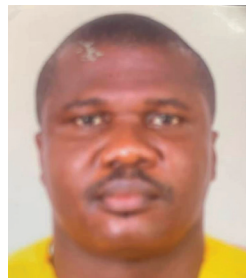
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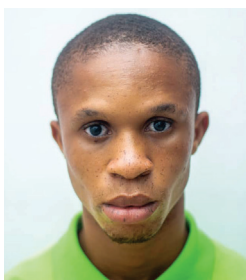
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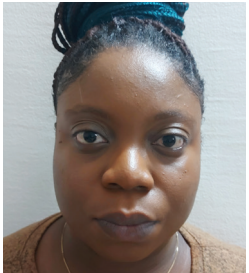
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Dear Alumni/Alumna,

On behalf of the Academic Board, the Faculty and Staff of the Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (KAPITC), I congratulate you on your graduation.

After today's ceremony, you will be joining Alumni from over twenty six (26) countries around the world.

We urge you to be an active member of the Alumni Association and stay connected to the Centre.

We wish you the very best in your future endeavours and look forward to engaging with you on Alumni issues.

Once again, congratulations!
Sincerely.

Prof Kwaku Osei-Hwedie
The Dean
(Faculty of Academic Affairs and Research)

Ayekoo!!

The Governing Board, Executive Management Committee, Faculty and Staff of the Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Centre (KAIPTC) extend hearty congratulations to all graduates.



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