SYLLABUS

CANADIAN FORCES COLLEGE (CFC)

JOINT COMMAND AND STAFF PROGRAMME (JCSP)

RESIDENTIAL

COMMANDER'S FOREWORD

The JCSP is intended to produce graduates who think critically and who have the agility of mind and strong communications skills necessary to solve institutional as well as operational warfighting problems. This is achieved through a study of Canadian National Policy and International Relations, Command and Leadership, and the application of Component Capabilities to operational planning. The programme allows each student to develop a more in-depth understanding of one of these topic areas through the three streams of minor curricula towards the end of the programme: Advanced Joint Warfighting Studies (AJWS), Defence and Security Studies (DSS), and Institutional Policy Studies (IPS). The programme places emphasis throughout on developing and displaying clear and effective written and oral communication skills.

The knowledge you will gain from the JCSP will prepare you for command and, critically, for employment as expert staff in operational or strategic headquarters in due course. I strongly encourage you to take full advantage of the multiple learning opportunities presented to you in this very important year in your military career. You should also take every opportunity to learn from your colleagues on your programme and to form effective and lasting relationships with them.

This Syllabus details the learning requirements that are to be met through the JCSP, and provides general information on the specific activities that support each requirement. It was developed by CFC, our Centre of Excellence (CoE) and Teaching Establishment (TE) for Officer Development Period 3 Professional Military Education (PME). It draws upon appropriate requirements identified as part of Officer Development Period 3 Qualification Standard, and is delivered to the level commensurate with a graduate degree.

As the designated TA for CFC, the CMCs, and the CWO Robert Osside Institute, and as Commander Canadian Defence Academy, I approve this Syllabus.

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CHAPTER 1

CDA DIRECTION

PROGRAMME AIM

1. The aim of the JCSP is to prepare selected senior Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) officers for command and for employment as senior staff in operational and strategic headquarters. This is achieved through:

- a. a foundational understanding of the Profession of Arms and its ethical underpinning;
- b. an enhanced understanding of joint, inter-agency, multinational, and domestic operations;
- c. an understanding of CAF defence management, including how defence decisionmaking fits into government decision-making, and civil-military relations;
- d. developing intellectual capacity by focusing on critical thinking, problem solving, operational and institutional planning, and communication skills;
- e. a deeper insight into the Future Security Environment, including its international context, defence innovation, and potential threats to national security.

PROGRAMME GOALS, LEARNING OUTCOMES, AND OBJECTIVES

2. In accordance with the Officer Professional Development System (OPDS), the JCSP is offered during Developmental Period 3 (DP 3), the Intermediate Officer Developmental Period. Through a range of professional educational activities, the Programme develops officers to a level of knowledge and competence appropriate to the aim. The JCSP is designed to educate and prepare military officers and other national security leaders to be effective in command and staff positions in complex joint, inter-agency, and multinational settings across the full spectrum of conflict. The JCSP programme is conducted through a collection of courses that build on key concepts and weave "golden threads" from one course to the next. Thus the programme objectives and outcomes are not tied solely to the individual courses, but the overall programme. The build and flow of the courses contribute directly to the level of education received over the course of the programme. Emphasis is placed on the following programme goals:

a. <u>C1 — Command and Leadership</u>. The aim of Programme Goal C1 is to develop in each participant the requisite level of understanding of the conceptual foundations of leadership and command required to be effective in the institutional, operational and cross-cultural contexts across national and international settings.

Learning Outcome		Learning Objective	
		C101a	Analyze leadership using relevant theories, models, conceptual backgrounds, and doctrine.
	At the end of the JCSP, students	C101b	Analyze the personal effectiveness aspects of leadership.
C101	will be able to apply the conceptual foundations of leadership required to be effective in the institutional, operational, and cross-cultural con-	C101c	Analyze the role and capacities required of a leader to influence others in the institutional, operational, and cross-cultural con- texts across national and international environments, and to be a steward of the profession of arms.
	texts across national and interna- tional settings.	C101d	Internalize the CAF ethos.
		C101e	Demonstrate an understanding of their role as a leader at the tac- tical/operational/strategic level in ensuring that the profession of arms reflects the CAF ethos.
	At the end of the JCSP, students will be able to apply the conceptual	C102a	Analyze command using relevant theories, models, conceptual backgrounds, and doctrine.
C102	foundations of command required to be effective in the institutional, op- erational, and cross-cultural con-	C102b	Analyze the institutional, multi-agency, and cross-cultural envi- ronmental factors and constraints that influence command in complex, contemporary domestic and international operations.
	texts across national and interna- tional settings.		Analyze the key professional challenges influencing command in a complex, contemporary operational-level context.

b. <u>C2 — Communications Skills</u>. The aim of Programme Goal C2 is to develop students' ability to research and apply problemsolving techniques, and to communicate effectively with internal and external audiences.

Learning Outcome		Learning Objective	
		C201a	Apply effective writing skills and demonstrate the ability to clearly articulate the required concepts.
		C201b	Apply effective reading skills, by evaluating, appraising, and an- alyzing assigned and supplementary reading material, and in re- searching new material.
	At the end of each course, students will have applied research, prob- lem-solving, and decision-making techniques to defend a position or point of view using the professional	C201c	Apply effective listening skills by evaluating, appraising, and an- alyzing lectures and discussions. This will also include the gen- eration of thoughtful and insightful questions or comments on the material under consideration.
C201	oral and written communication	C201d	Apply effective speaking and presentation skills by chairing dis- cussions, and delivering briefs, seminars, and other presentations that demonstrate a clear understanding of the required topic. This will also include the generation of thoughtful and insightful questions or comments on the material under consideration.
		C201e	Demonstrate the ability for creative thinking and problem-solv- ing techniques.
		C201f	Demonstrate the ability for logical reasoning, argument, and analysis in written and oral work.
		C201g	Demonstrate the ability to apply multiple decision-making tech- niques in practical situations.

c. <u>C3 — Military Operations Planning</u>. The aim of Programme Goal C3 is to develop students' ability to plan joint and combined operations at the operational level across the spectrum of conflict in support of federal government direction.

Learning Outcome		Learning Objective	
	At the end of the JCSP, students	C301a	Integrate the interests of external stakeholders in the planning of operations at the operational level.
C301	will be able to lead an element of an operational-level OPG in plan- ning a military operation within the	C301b	Understand planning for operations and apply the CF OPP up to and including stage 3 and elements of stage 4.
	contemporary operating environ- ment.	C301c	Understand the doctrine, organization, and planning require- ments of force generation for domestic and expeditionary opera- tions.

d. <u>C4 — Component Capabilities</u>. The aim of Programme Goal C4 is to develop students' understanding of component capabilities in joint and combined force operations.

Learning Outcome		Learning Objective	
C401	At the end of the JCSP, students will be able to apply capabilities of component power in a contempo- rary operating environment.	C401a	Analyze the fundamentals, functions, and command of compo- nents, and examine how they contribute to achieving desired ef- fects.

e. <u>C5 — National Security and International Relations</u>. The aim of Programme Goal C5 is to develop students' ability to analyze Canadian national security, foreign, and defence policies, and the internal and external factors that influence them.

Learning Outcome		Learning Objective	
		C501a	Explain the conceptual underpinnings of national security; state power and its application; and approaches to strategic studies.
	At the end of the JCSP, students	C501b	Examine the international context and order (factors, actors, and systems) as they influence Canadian governance, policy making, and response mechanisms.
0.501	will be able to translate national se- curity strategy into military re-	C501c	Examine the domestic and structural factors that influence Cana- dian governance, policy making, and response mechanisms.
C501	sponses in the contemporary oper- ating environment.	C501d	Illustrate the process by which national strategy is formulated and security requirements are determined.
		C501e	Identify current Canadian national security-related policies; rec- ognize their impacts on the Canadian defence establishment; and employ them in a whole-of-government approach.
		C501f	Critique Canada's current national policies within the context of emerging strategic issues, challenges, and opportunities.

PROGRAMME LENGTH

3. The JCSP spans one academic year, inclusive of administration time and statutory holidays, but exclusive of opening and closing activities. The programme orientation starts in August of the academic year and graduation is conducted the following June. The Programme consists of three rotations (rotos) of in-person classroom instruction, commencing immediately following the orientation. The structure of the programme is explained in Chapter 2 of this Syllabus.

NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS, IDENTIFICATION CODES, AND INTERNATIONAL EQUIVALENCIES

4. The following list indicates the National Qualification (NQual) and Identification (ID) Codes awarded for successful completion of the JCSP programmes:

- a. <u>Joint Command and Staff Programme (JCSP)</u>:
 - (1) ID Code: 116768;
 - (2) NQual: AJGM Senior Officer CF Common Intermediate; and
 - (3) US Intermediate-Level JPME Credit 1.*

*In accordance with CM-0891-07, 21 June 2007, "Program for Joint Professional Military Education Phase 1 (JPME 1) Equivalent Credit".

PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT AND RECOGNITION (PLAR)

5. A prior learning assessment and recognition (PLAR) is a process that assesses previous professional education, skills, and knowledge that have been obtained through career and life experiences. This is compared with the CDA JCSP/ODP3 Foreign College/Institution Full Equivalence Matrix and considered against the Learning Outcomes and Objectives of the programme courses to determine if they meet the requirements to award an equivalency of a course credit. As the JCSP programme is conducted through a collection of courses that build on key concepts and weave "golden threads" from one course to the next, the programme cannot be viewed as individual courses and must be viewed in its entirety. Thus the flow of the programme and education received is affected when students are not present for individual courses. As a result, the approval of a PLAR for courses tied to the JCSP qualification is extremely rare and should not be expected. CDA is the approving authority for all JCSP PLARs.

CHAPTER 2

CFC POLICY

JCSP PURPOSE, SKILLS, AND THEMES

1. The JCSP represents a pivotal moment in a CAF officer's career. Combined with a lifelong commitment to self-development and critical thinking (habits that the programme aims to cultivate), it provides all the formal education required to equip a graduate for employment as a Col/ Capt(N). This requires students on the course to be fully committed, both to the academic challenge ahead and to establishing enduring relationships with peers.

2. The essence of that academic challenge is establishing the critical and creative thinking, problem-solving and communication skills to operate credibly as expert staff, and in command. Every element within the programme is therefore designed to reflect the Programme Aim expressed in Chapter 1. The Programme draws on subject material identified by a panel of L1 representatives as of primary importance: the contemporary and future security environments, defence innovation, and an understanding of the institutional level of defence. While these are reflected in individual course material, the following Programme Skills and Themes identified by the L1 representatives are threaded throughout the programme:

- a. Programme Skills:
 - (1) Communication skills the ability to present complex ideas both formally and informally, written and orally,
 - (2) Research skills the ability to find a full range of objective information using traditional and Internet methods,
 - (3) Critical and creative thinking the ability to differentiate between subjective and objective material, as well as the creativity to think beyond doctrine, and
 - (4) Problem Solving the ability to understand a complex issue, and to express why it matters and how it could be addressed using a range of problemsolving techniques and drawing on design thinking principles.
- b. Programme Themes:
 - (1) Operating within ethically and morally ambiguous situations,
 - (2) Human security, diversity and inclusion, and respect for the person,
 - (3) Military ethos, particularly as outlined in *Duty with Honour*, the CAF Code of conduct and PO 999, and
 - (4) Implications of climate change for the defence and security environment.

PROGRAMME COMPOSITION AND STRUCTURE

3. JCSP offers two Master of Defence Studies (MDS) pathways and one non-MDS pathway to maximize individuals' ability to complete the programme within their own circumstances. The programme is designed for residential delivery; however, it is sufficiently flexible to allow for a combination of remote and residential delivery, should it be required. Either/both delivery methods ensure the achievements of the Programme Skills and Programme Themes, as well as meeting the Programme Aim. The pathways are illustrated below; a brief description follows each one.

4. <u>JCSP — Non-MDS</u>. Within this option of the JCSP, the Complementary Studies course, and the advanced course in the student's Stream are taken as CF credits, with the same course content but with a CAF professional (CF) rather than an academic defence studies (DS) written deliverable requirement. Non-MDS students are required to submit a CF502 PME Solo Flight paper (3000 words). While JCSP participants receive full recognition for all course work completed on the JCSP Graduation PME Diploma, these CF professional courses are not eligible for graduate credit towards RMC degrees and will not be reflected on official RMC transcripts. However, all the remaining eight DS credits (7 major curriculum common course credits plus the first Minor Curriculum Stream DS course credit (DS548, DS557 or DS567)) completed to the required standard are recorded on RMC transcripts and may be put towards the MDS (or other graduate degrees) subject to additional work, at the discretion of the degree-granting institution. It is not possible to have academic credit awarded retroactively for PME (CF) courses. The PME pass mark for all JCSP courses is 60%, but non-MDS students may still earn academic credit for each DS course completed with a minimum of a B– grade (70%).

5. <u>JCSP — Course-Based MDS</u>. The curriculum has been written so that successful completion of all courses and associated written deliverables can satisfy the requirements of RMC for a Master of Defence Studies (MDS) degree. Students with a suitable baccalaureate (undergraduate) degree and supporting transcripts can apply to be admitted to the RMC MDS programme; those who are admitted and maintain a minimum B– grade average (70%) for each course will graduate with an MDS degree.

6. <u>JCSP — Research-Based DRP MDS</u>. In this study pathway, the student does not take the Major Curriculum — Complementary Course (DS/CF501 to 543). In its place, through competitive application, a limited number of students will be able to earn an MDS degree by successful completion of eight course-based (DS) credits (7 Major curriculum common course credits plus the first minor curriculum Stream DS course credit (DS548, DS557 or DS567)), plus a two-credit Directed Research Project (DRP): a comprehensive, independent, theory-based research project. This paper, of between 14,000 and 20,000 words on an approved topic, takes the place of the Complementary Studies course (DS501, or DS534 to DS543) and the Stream Advanced topics course (DS549/DS554/DS568). Candidates for the MDS under this option will be supervised by a suitably qualified research project advisor in accordance with RMC policy.

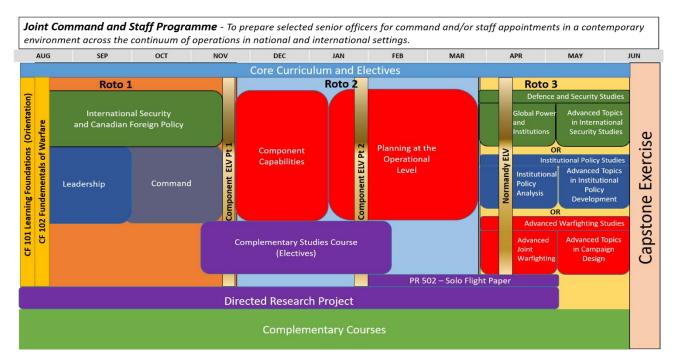


Figure 1 — Overlapped PME, MDS (Course-based) and MDS (Research-based DRP) Path, JCSP

7. Course outlines for each of these courses are included in Chapter 3 of this Syllabus.

ACTIVITY MATRIX AND ACTIVITY ASSESSMENT

8. The following table briefly describes the types of JCSP learning activity, where they fit in the Programme, and who assesses them. In addition to the formal assessment listed, the Directing Staff (DS) monitor and informally assess the student's overall performance throughout the Programme. For example, in a discussion (DI), only one student, the Chair, is formally assessed; however, the performance of all the other student participants will normally be monitored, assessed, and corrected for their contribution to learning.

Activity Code	Activity Description	Assessment Responsibility	Chair Assignment
Discussion (DI)	A structured verbal exchange of information in syndicate, usually chaired by a student. Serves to reinforce previously covered material.	DS	The DS or a stu- dent will chair this activity. Stu- dent chair is for- mally assessed.
Seminar (SM)	A syndicate discussion which may be based on a presentation or a written deliverable prepared and distributed to syndicate members prior to the seminar.	Academic Staff (AS) or DS (if DS, will normally be assisted by AS who will have responsibility for marking any formal paper forming the basis of the discussion)	AS, the DS, an SME, or a stu- dent will chair this activity. Stu- dent chair is for- mally assessed.

Activity Code	Activity Description	Assessment Responsibility	Chair Assignment
Lecture- Discussion (LD)	A lecture followed by a syndi- cate discussion of the presented material and related preparatory readings. A plenary Q&A nor- mally follows.	DS	The DS or a stu- dent will chair this activity. Stu- dent chair is for- mally assessed.
Lecture (LE)	A prepared oral presentation de- livered by a staff member or one or more guest speakers, usually concluded with a question-and- answer period.	N/A	
Case Study (CS) (Discussion)	A syndicate discussion based on an analysis of an historic event, battle, campaign, or situation for the purpose of reinforcing previ- ously covered curriculum mate- rial. The analysis may be pre- pared and distributed to syndi- cate members prior to the dis- cussion, as specified by the ac- tivity description.	AS, DS, or Subject Mat- ter Expert (SME) (if DS, may be assisted by AS who will have responsi- bility for marking any associated formal paper)	The DS, an SME, or a stu- dent will chair this activity. Stu- dent chair is for- mally assessed.
Case Study (CS) (Written)	A researched and detailed analy- sis of an historic event, battle, campaign, or situation for the purpose of reinforcing previously covered curriculum material.	AS, DS, or SME (if DS, may be assisted by AS who will have responsi- bility for marking any associated formal paper)	N/A
Exercise (EX)	Analysis of a situation coupled with a role-based, interactive ap- plication of previously covered curriculum material within a for- matted, simulated scenario.	DS	All students will be assessed in the roles they are assigned.
Exam (XM)	An exam is a formal assessment instrument or device used to measure the performance, skill level, or knowledge of a student on a specific subject matter. It is normally used at the conclusion of a course.	DS or AS	N/A
Essay (EY)	A literary composition that an- swers a question or argues a point of view. Briefer in scope and less formal in style than other activities such as a re- search paper (RP).	DS, AS, or SME	N/A

Activity Code	Activity Description	Assessment Responsibility	Chair Assignment
Field Study (FS)	A collective visit to agencies or locales outside the College to provide an experiential oppor- tunity to examine issues related to the programme curriculum, in a closer, more practical setting.	DS or AS	N/A
Academic Journal (AJ)	A short literary composition that answers a question or argues a point of view based upon per- sonal reflection from the linking of personal experience with the- oretical material from the pro- gramme.	N/A	N/A
Lesson (LN)	An activity within a distance learning course executed in a self-learning mode, which may comprise several components. It will include informal assessment tools or written deliverables.	DS, AS, or SME	N/A
Directed Reading (DR)	An activity, executed in a self- learning mode, enabling a stu- dent to explore, in depth, a par- ticular topic or area of knowl- edge. DRs are an integral part of course content and may build on and extend explorations com- menced in other courses. An es- say, quiz, or assignment nor- mally concludes a DR.	AS or SME	N/A
Quiz (QZ)	An activity designed to measure whether the student has under- stood and absorbed the material recently presented. The student must correctly answer a series of questions, either with short writ- ten answers or, in the case of a multiple-choice test, by choosing the correct answer. Can be for- mal or informal.	DS, AS, or SME	N/A
Individual Research Paper (RP)	A written work that requires re- search and the preparation of an expository or persuasive essay using scholarly conventions.	DS, AS, or SME	N/A

Activity Code	Activity Description	Assessment Responsibility	Chair Assignment
Symposium (SY)	A flexible activity that may combine several educational methodologies in order to ex- plore a broad but defined issue, area or topic. Symposia may uti- lize lectures, seminars, research papers, case studies, and other educational activities, alone or in combination. Symposia often involve significant contributions from outside participants.	DS, AS, or SME	The DS, an SME, or a stu- dent will chair this activity. Stu- dent chair is for- mally assessed.
Threaded Discussion (TD)	An online activity in which a student posts a response to a question or questions, and then responds to other students' re- sponses.	DS, AS, or SME	The DS, an SME, or a stu- dent moderates this activity.
Tutorial (TU)	An activity utilized to teach a particular solution or approach to an issue. Discourse within a tutorial is directed towards very specific ends.	DS	Tutorials are staff-led activi- ties.

PROGRAMME HOURS AND PLANNING ASSUMPTIONS

9. <u>Core Time, Admin Time and Individual Preparation Time (IPT)</u>. Within this Syllabus, core time is taken to be the synchronous and/or asynchronous time spent in formally programmed activities during the working week. Students are expected to work 6 core hours on Mon, Tue, Thu, and Fri, and 4.5 core hours on Wed. Admin time is allocated at 1.5 hours per week and IPT is allocated at 3 hours per evening Mon-Thu and 6 hours each weekend.

10. <u>Time Allocation</u>. The total time allocated for the JCSP is approximately 1520 hours for the MDS Pathway.

11. <u>Experiential Learning Visits (ELVs)</u>. JCSP will conduct three ELVs during the AY. These ELVs are tied directly to the curriculum and are considered essential for the programme aims, Learning Outcomes, and Learning Objectives.

- a. ELVs 1 and 2 are directly tied to DS/CF545 Component Capabilities. These ELVs provide many students with what is their first exposure to the other elements. It includes exposure to the RCN, CA, RCAF, CANSOF, and the Canadian North through a visit to JTFN in Yellowknife, and select students will receive an exposure to Cambridge Bay in the Canadian Arctic.
- b. ELV 3 is a study of a historic campaign preferably with a significant Canadian contribution. The study of the campaign is conducted through a comparative analysis of the material that is taught for DS/CF520 Planning at the Operational Level and

the historical decisions that were made, actions taken, and an analysis of them through a contemporary lens. This creates a tangible link from an actual historic action to the theoretical and exercise instruction students have received during the programme.

12. <u>Reading Rate</u>. The CFC assumes a 20-pages-per-hour reading rate, which includes the time required to reflect on the readings and make notes to support follow-on discussions and threaded discussions. It estimates that this reading rate will enable an average student to achieve a satisfactory grade. Nonetheless, these metrics are based on average rates. Individual students can expect some variance as they undertake their studies.

ASSESSMENT — GENERAL

13. Student assessment is an essential part of Staff College education at the CFC. Assessment for the JCSP is carried out by members of the Faculty, DS, Academic Staff (AS), and contracted Subject Matter Experts (SMEs). DS are responsible for maintaining student electronic mark sheets to record their students' progress; they are also responsible for their students' Roto Reports and Programme Reports.

14. Students are assessed relative to a common standard. The standard is that expected of a senior staff officer serving in a major headquarters. The student electronic mark sheets, Roto Reports (RR), and Programme Report (PR) provide a formal record of what the student has achieved on the JCSP.

15. The following terms are used:

- a. **Assessment** determining the learning level a student has achieved for each learning objective and recording that learning level, as a grade or as pass/fail. Assessment also has a programme evaluation function,
- b. **Evaluation** determining if the instructional methods and materials are accomplishing the established goals, outcomes, and objectives, as well as determining learner satisfaction with the material provided for learning; and
- c. **Confirmatory Activities** activities that serve the purposes of assessment and evaluation.

<u>Note</u>: For CAF students, no behaviour or actions contrary to the CAF ethos is acceptable. Also, these learners must demonstrate an integrated understanding of their role as leaders at the operational level in ensuring that the profession reflects CAF ethos in their programme work and when collaborating with Other Government Department personnel and international military officers.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT — ROTO REPORTS (RRs) AND PROGRAMME REPORTS (PRs)

16. The DS will write a RR at the completion of rotos one and two, and a PR at the end of roto three, on each student. The RR summarizes the student's performance at the end of each Roto, while the PR contains a narrative that details each student's achievements and development

throughout the JCSP. The DS will draft the PR based on the relevant roto reports, the Learning Management System (LMS) grade book, and the student's professional performance. The DS will comment on the student's demonstrated leadership, verbal and written communication skills, of-ficer-like qualities, and course performance. Within the narrative, the DS will assign an overall assessment level using the following categories:

- a. <u>Outstanding</u>. A clearly exceptional performance, demonstrating outstanding intellect, professional knowledge, and personal attributes. Consistently contributed to all activities with a rare level of enthusiasm and capability, always exceeding the College standard and usually by a wide margin. Extremely high standard of leadership, projecting personality and character to inspire, direct, and support peers. Outstanding potential to progress far in advance of their peers. An officer in this category has exceptional leadership potential to command and to assume the most demanding staff appointments,
- b. <u>Superior</u>. An excellent performer, demonstrating high and at times outstanding intellect, professional knowledge, and personal attributes. Highly motivated and consistently exceeding the College standard. Repeatedly praised for leadership and teamwork. Superior potential to progress in advance of their peers. An officer in this category is highly suitable for command and demanding staff appointments,
- c. <u>Good</u>. A strong performance, demonstrating solid and, at times, high intellect, professional knowledge, and personal attributes. An officer who has demonstrated the requisite amount of initiative, enthusiasm, and leadership to meet the high College standard and, in most cases, surpass it. Potential to progress alongside the majority of their peers. An officer in this category can fulfil routine or specialist staff appointments and should, in due course, develop the ability to undertake more demanding ones. Such an officer can also be trusted to rise to the occasion of a command; and
- d. <u>Pass</u>. A satisfactory performance, demonstrating adequate and, at times, good or very good intellect, professional knowledge, and personal attributes. A competent and hard-working officer who has put forth a creditable effort and has met the requirements of the course. An officer in this category can fulfil routine or specialist staff appointments and might, in due course, develop the ability to undertake more demanding ones. Such an officer might also in due course develop the potential for command.

PRs are drafted for the Commandant's review and signature and, on completion, are forwarded for inclusion in graduate's Pers files.

PROGRESS MONITORING

17. Regular monitoring of a student's progress is required throughout the JCSP to provide the following:

a. early warning of difficulties/deficiencies; and

b. a record of the student's performance.

Students experiencing difficulty in any area of performance shall be counselled and closely monitored and assisted by the appropriate Directing Staff.

UNSATISFACTORY PROGRESS

18. Unsatisfactory progress is indicated by failure to pass (or progress that will result in an inability to pass) a JCSP course.

19. <u>Advancement to Next Course</u>. Students must satisfactorily complete all course requirements to continue with the Programme. Only on the substantiated recommendation of the applicable DS and Programme Officer will the Director of Programmes grant exceptions to this rule.

20. <u>Failed Confirmatory Activity</u>. If a student fails a confirmatory activity, they may be granted one supplementary attempt. The supplementary mark awarded will be no higher than B-(70%). If the student fails the supplementary attempt, a Progress Review Board (PRB) will be held to review the student's case and make a recommendation to the Commandant.

PROGRESS REVIEW BOARD

21. In case of discrepancy between this description and the PRB policies of the CFC and the Academic Integrity policies of RMC, the latter documents shall be considered the primary references, as applicable.

22. In addition to the reasons detailed above, a PRB shall be convened any time it becomes apparent that:

- a. a student's progress is so far below the minimum standard, or is so far behind in their work, that there is virtually no likelihood of their attaining the standard,
- b. a student's continued presence on the course is adversely affecting the training or morale of the remainder of the participants,
- c. a student has been deemed by an Academic Integrity Board (AIB) to have committed academic misconduct;
- d. a student has stopped communicating with their DS; or
- e. a student is experiencing unforeseen medical challenges or personal circumstances that may require their removal from the programme.

23. <u>Role of the PRB</u>. The PRB assists the Commandant in formulating and discussing policy on student academic performance. As well, the PRB considers incidents which may arise in relation to these policies, such as lack of progress or academic failure. The Board composition is:

- a. Chairperson: Director of Programmes, or as otherwise appointed by the Cmdt.
- b. Members: per the CFC PRB SOP.

24. <u>Other PRB Participants</u>. Other members of the staff, such as the Programme Officer, or appropriate members of Directing Staff, may be invited by the Chairperson to participate in the Board's discussions to provide professional assistance as required.

25. <u>Student Representation</u>. The student who is the subject of the PRB will have the opportunity to present on their own behalf either via a written submission or via attendance at the PRB, depending on the circumstances and the nature of the progress review.

26. <u>Conduct of a PRB</u>. Normally a PRB will require a meeting attended by all Board members; however, depending on the circumstances and the nature of the review, the Board members may elect to conduct the PRB secretarially.

27. <u>Results of the PRB</u>. If a PRB determines that a student is to be removed from JCSP, that decision will be formally communicated to the student and the Career Manager.

WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURE AND POLICY

28. If a student elects to withdraw from the programme, the student's DS will arrange for an interview with the DoP who will determine if a PRB is required to review and assess the reasons for the withdrawal.

29. Students contemplating withdrawal must first discuss the reason(s) with their DS. CFC staff are very cognizant of the challenges the Programme imposes on both family and work routine. They are committed to students' professional military education and, in some cases, can offer flexible solutions that may reduce or eliminate the problems a student is facing.

CHAPTER 3

RMC CONTEXT

COURSE TITLES, DESCRIPTIONS, AND ACTIVITIES

1. The JCSP is offered in parallel with RMC's Master of Defence Studies degree for suitably qualified applicants, so Defence Studies (DS *XXX*) courses are academically accredited in the RMC course calendar. Canadian Forces (CF *XXX*) courses are similarly labelled and described, but do not earn RMC course credits. The following paragraphs outline the content of each JCSP course in three sections: Major Curriculum Common Courses, Major Curriculum Complementary Studies, and Minor Curriculum (Streams) courses. JCSP delivery methods will use both synchronous tools (using either CFC's Microsoft 365 or CFC's Learning Management System) and asynchronous tools (personal research, assigned readings, and recorded presentations), to provide an effective learning environment for the students.

2. <u>Major Curriculum Common Courses</u>

- a. <u>CF 101 Learning Foundations Course (non-credit)</u>
 - (1) This non-credit course provides JCSP students with introductory and fundamental learning concepts that underpin all JCSP courses. Students are introduced to the learning environment, critical thinking, and academic research and writing, while also introducing learning support resources available at the CFC.
- b. <u>CF 102</u>—Fundamentals of Warfare Course (non-credit)
 - (1) This course provides JCSP students with introductory and fundamental concepts to assist in their transition of moving from the familiar and comfortable tactical level to the less familiar and the somewhat more obscure and less-understood level that rests between the tactical and strategic levels. It comprises three modules that introduce students to Strategy, Strategic Theorists, and the Operational Art.
- c. <u>DS555 Leadership (1 credit)</u>
 - (1) DS555 uses lectures, syndicate discussions, and debates to explore leadership theory, cultural complexity, ethical principles, the profession of arms, socialization in the military, and diversity to enhance students' leadership effectiveness. Participants apply critical thinking and decision-making tools to analyze leadership scenarios. Where possible, subject matter experts provide insight based on experience and published research to enhance learning objectives.
 - (2) Recorded and synchronous lectures and presentations are used to amplify learning objectives and to support preparation for discussions. Personal reflection on the course material and on leadership effectiveness is required

but not assessed. Assessment is through participation and written deliverables, including written essays.

(3) The students also participate in a 360-degree leadership survey for the purpose of providing them with an opportunity for self-assessment and to create a Personal Development Plan. The results of this survey are excluded from any basis of course or programme assessment.

d. <u>DS556 — Command (1 credit)</u>

- (1) DS556 explores the theory of command, the command environment, and legal constraints to enhance students' overall capacity to command. Participants apply theories to explore command challenges, and subject matter experts provide evaluation and feedback based on experience and published research.
- (2) This course is instructed using a variety of methods including lectures, directed research, and syndicate discussions. Assessment is by effective participation in course activities (i.e., contribution to learning and critical discourse), and the submission and grading of a Command Reflective Paper.

e. <u>DS569 — International Security and Canadian Foreign Policy (2 credits)</u>

- (1) This course introduces and analyzes strategic concepts and the international environment relating to national and international security.
- (2) This course is instructed using a variety of methods including lectures, directed research, and syndicate discussions. Assessment is by effective participation in course activities (i.e., contribution to learning and critical discourse), and the submission and grading of a Research Paper.

f. <u>DS545 — Component Capabilities (1 credit)</u>

- (1) DS545 focuses on the characteristics, functions and fundamentals of the Maritime, Land and Aerospace components which form combat power in joint and combined operations. Attention will be given to how each of the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) components, as well as Special Operations Forces and other joint capabilities, have developed historically and doctrinally, and how they have contributed and can contribute to the delivery of joint effects in operations.
- (2) This course is taught using a variety of instructional methods delivered both synchronously and asynchronously. There is an expectation that individual students will leverage their component and joint experience to form the base-line of their understanding of component power at the operational level. Further, it is expected that, during small group and syndicate work, students will actively collaborate with personnel from other environments, in an effort to

assist others in moving from awareness towards a shared level of understanding across the components and other joint domains.

- g. <u>DS520</u>—Planning at the Operational Level (2 credits)
 - (1) This course will introduce and develop the knowledge and skills essential for understanding the operational level of conflict, the types and conduct of operations and planning considerations, and for utilizing the Operational Planning Process (OPP) to develop operational designs, CONOPs and plans. This course relies heavily on current and emerging doctrine as the foundation of how the CAF conducts operations both domestically and abroad. Additionally, methods of analysis to frame and better understand modern complex security challenges will be introduced.
 - (2) This course is taught using a variety of in-person instructional methods. There is an emphasis placed on group work and practical application in exercise scenarios. There is an expectation that students will build on their component and joint experience and shared level of understanding across the components and domains at the operational level from DS545 to enhance their understanding of campaigning and operational planning.
- h. <u>PR500 Individual Research Project (MDS Only 2 Credits)</u>. The PR500 Individual Research Project consists of a well-researched, persuasive paper on a subject of military significance approved by the Chair of the Master of Defence Studies programme. Each MDS student will be assigned an Academic Advisor with expertise in the subject matter, who will guide and assess the development of the paper throughout the programme. The final paper is to be between 14,000 and 20,000 words in length and will be retained in the Information Resource Centre where it will be publicly accessible. MDS Research Papers are considered to be the property of the Crown.

3. <u>Major Curriculum Complementary Studies</u>. Students (other than those admitted to the research-based DRP option) are required to complete one of the Complementary Studies courses. Complementary Studies offer a variety of military, international affairs and leadership and management topics delivered at the post-graduate level. While topics may be stream-related, there is no compulsion for candidates to choose a topic within their preferred stream. Assessment will include class participation and will normally include a written paper, detailed presentation, or case study. For those students taking the MDS degree, the written requirement will be more comprehensive. There are a large variety of available complementary studies courses from year to year. These courses may include, but are not limited to:

- a. DS/CF513 Canadian Joint Operations in the Great Wars;
- b. DS/CF519 Military Law in Comparative Perspective edit;
- c. DS/CF521 Design;
- d. DS/CF526 Peace and Stability Operations: An Evolving Practice;

- e. DS/CF529 Political Philosophy: in the eye of the enemy;
- f. DS/CF534 Operational and Strategic Command Analysis;
- g. DS/CF535 Politics, Culture, and International Conflicts;
- h. DS/CF536 Case Studies in Canadian International Policy;
- i. DS/CF5XX World Order, Power Politics, and New Rivalries;
- j. DS/CF538 Genocide, Conflict, and Justice;
- k. DS/CF551 Modern Joint Air Campaigns; or
- 1. DS/CF585 Gender Perspectives in Defence and Security Contexts.

4. <u>Minor Curriculum</u>. In Roto 3 of JCSP, students will be assigned to one of three discrete streams, allowing them to pursue topics in greater depth. Collectively, these courses are known as the Minor Curriculum. Those students accepted into the Research-based DRP will take only the first course listed below pertinent to their stream — i.e., 548 for AJWS, 557 for IPS, and 567 for DSS. The following sub-paras outline the courses within the Minor Curriculum by stream.

5. <u>JCSP Streams</u>. As part of the programme design, all students will complete one of three streams in Roto 3.

- a. <u>Advanced Joint Warfighting Studies (AJWS)</u>. Advanced studies in warfighting and op concepts for those students most likely to work as operations or planning staff at the operational and strategic levels. The Advanced Warfighting Studies Stream comprises two courses:
 - (1) <u>DS548 Advanced Joint Warfighting (1 credit)</u> This course develops the advanced concepts, knowledge, and skills essential for the planning and conduct of joint and combined operations at the operational level in the context of the application of campaign planning for domestic and expeditionary operations. It builds upon the theory and background of each component and joint military planning concepts to introduce a wider variety of approaches to operational planning. Prerequisites: DS520 (Planning at the Operational Level), and DS545 (Component Capabilities).
 - (2) <u>DS549 Advanced Topics in Campaign Design (1 credit)</u>. This course introduces a range of more specialized topics related to the broad domain of campaign design and the conduct of joint and combined operations at the operational level for domestic and expeditionary operations. These topics will provide further depth to an appreciation of joint and combined operations. Prerequisites: DS520 (Planning at the Operational Level), and DS545 (Component Capabilities).
- b. <u>Defence and Security Studies (DSS)</u>. Additional studies of geopolitical factors for

those students most likely to work as staff supporting senior leaders who are working at the Political-Military interface, or who require assessments of regional defence and security issues. The Defence and Security Studies (DSS) Stream comprises two courses:

- (1) <u>DS567 Global Power and Institutions (1 credit)</u>. This course builds on DS569 material, which addressed the national security activities of Canada, the United States, and other states, regions, and international institutions in order to provide a general analytical view of the global system, its evolution, its basic characteristics, and the strategic implications for international interactions. By applying conceptual and empirical tools, DS567 develops a deeper and more advanced understanding of the evolution of the contemporary state system through various theoretical lenses, and of major challenges and threats in the global political arena. Prerequisite: DS569 (International Security and Canadian Foreign Policy).
- (2) <u>DS568</u> Advanced Topics in International Security Studies (1 credit). This course provides students with the opportunity to deep dive and apply foundational concepts. The initial portion of this course will examine how international relations theories can be used to analyze the dynamics of specific security topics. The second component will apply a case study methodology to examine selected issues which are of importance in the contemporary security context. Prerequisite: DS567 (Global Power and Institutions) must be conducted in concert with DS568.
- c. <u>Institutional Policy Studies (IPS)</u>. Further examination of key institutional components, such as personnel management, resource management, capability development, project management, and CAF policies, for those students most likely to work as staff in various L1 organizations. The Institutional Policy Studies (IPS) Stream comprises two courses:
 - (1) <u>DS557 Institutional Policy Analysis (1 credit)</u>. This course provides an understanding of the methods used in the development of Defence programmes and policies through examination of the multiple perspectives that must be considered by those working at the institutional level within Defence. The theories and analytical methods addressed will draw on the domains of public administration, strategic resource management, military capability development, human resource management, futures analyses, and change management, with an emphasis on their applicability to Defence and, in particular, the Canadian Armed Forces. These methods will be used to conduct critical analyses of current or draft Defence policies and programmes. Prerequisites: DS555 (Leadership), DS556 (Command), and DS569 (International Security and Canadian Foreign Policy).
 - (2) <u>DS/CF554 Advanced Topics in Institutional Policy Development (1</u> <u>credit)</u>. This course provides focused consideration of specific topics in pol-

icy development, with a particular view of the interactions between the military institution and its parent society. Using a case study methodology, consideration will be given to how to develop policies which effectively address often conflicting requirements arising from government direction, societal expectations, and the military profession. Topics to be addressed will focus on the development and implementation of various institutional policies. Assessment will be through seminar participation and a major independent research paper addressing a topic of the student's choice. Prerequisites: DS555 (Leadership), DS556 (Command), and DS569 (International Security and Canadian Foreign Policy).

ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT STANDARDS

6. Both Director of Academics and Director of Programmes carefully monitor standards of student assessment for standardization, carrying out random reviews of marked assignments. In addition, they will review the marking of specific assignments on student appeal or by DS request. The Director of Programmes will also regularly review overall student performance.

ACADEMIC GRADING STANDARDS

7. Assessment of work on the JCSP will be expressed in either numeric or letter form. Letter marks will be converted to their numerical equivalent and recorded in the student's official mark record; the conversion is made using the table below, which is taken from the Graduate Studies Calendar from the RMC.

Letter Grade	Percentage Relationship	Letter-Number Conversion
A+	94–100	95 (rarely — 100)
А	87–93	90
A–	80–86	83
B+	76–79	78
В	73–75	75
B–	70–72	72
C+	*66–69	*68
С	*63–65	*64
С-	*60–62	*61
Fail	*Below 60	
In the event of a discrepancy between this information and the RMC Calendar, the latter shall take precedence.		

JCSP Letter-Percentage Grade Table

* The minimum pass mark for JCSP PME <u>courses</u> (CF XXX) **and** <u>confirmatory activities</u> is 60% and the minimum pass mark for RMC academic credit on DS XXX courses, and for confirmatory activities is 70%.

A+	Level of work is truly exceptional. It is objectively superior to what could have been fairly expected and has caused the intended audience to think, or see an issue, at least temporar- ily, in a new way.
A and A–	Level of work is clearly superior. The quality of the learning experience of the intended audience is enhanced.
B+ and C+	B+ and C+ level work represents optimal achievement un- der reduced expectations. A B+ may have some A-level qualities but is inconsistent. A C+ generally exceeds the cri- teria of a C but does not meet all of the criteria of a B.
B–	The grade B– is reserved for deliverables that, on the whole, clearly exceed the criteria for a C. However, at the same time, some specific aspects of the deliverable do not meet all of the criteria of a B
C-	The grade C– is reserved for deliverables that, overall, barely meet the criteria for a C.
Any F	F-level work objectively does not fulfil the requirements or the goals of the deliverable in any way.

General Tabular Guide to Differentiating Between Marks

STUDENT MARK SHEET/RMC TRANSCRIPT

8. The student's academic performance in each activity is assessed using the applicable grading rubric, and the overall grade in that activity is entered into the JCSP electronic student mark sheet and in the RMC academic transcript. The electronic student mark sheet/RMC transcript collates individual assignment marks, final course averages, and the final overall academic average.

ASSIGNMENT EXTENSION POLICY

9. For core programme requirements (all courses less Complementary Studies Courses), students who determine that they are unable to meet the established deadline for an assignment are permitted to request an extension. In order to avoid any bias in the determination of a valid reason for an extension, the DS or Academic may grant up to a two-day extension; however, the extension <u>must be requested</u> no later than 48 hours prior to the due date. If the request is made within 48 hours of the due date it is to be made to the Programme Officer. If no extension is requested and approved, the assignment will be considered late and the Late Assignment Submission Policy will apply. 10. Students who are unable to complete any assignment within the two-day extension period granted by the DS or Academic and feel that a further or longer extension is warranted, must request approval from the Programme Officer for up to a five-day extension. Extension requests for longer than five days must provide a written summation to the Director of Programmes explaining the rationale for the extension. The Director of Programmes will then determine if the extension is justified.

11. It is important to note that the due dates of assignments are mapped out to afford students sufficient time between deliverables to ensure that relevant feedback can be incorporated into subsequent assignments. Submission of late assignments will affect the ability of students to incorporate feedback into their next deliverable.

LATE ASSIGNMENT SUBMISSION POLICY

12. Assignments that are handed in late, without an approved extension, will be subject to a 5% penalty per day up to a maximum of 20%. Assignments will be accepted up to the due date plus 10 days. After that period of time assignments will no longer be accepted and will be considered incomplete.

COMPLEMENTARY STUDIES COURSE EXTENSION AND LATE SUBMISSION POLICY

13. Each Academic responsible for a Complementary Studies Course will establish an Assignment Extension policy and Late Assignment Submission policy for their course. Extensions are not to be provided that go beyond the last day of the complementary studies course. The Academic's policies must ensure that all complementary studies course grades are available in time for grade submission to RMC. This date will be provided annually by the College Registrar.

DIRECTED RESEARCH PAPER EXTENSION AND LATE SUBMISSION POLICY

14. Students who are writing a Directed Research Project (DRP) will work with their Academic Supervisor to determine any extensions. There is no late policy for a DRP provided that the student and Academic have agreed to a late submission. It must, however, be noted that if a DRP is not received and marked prior to the dates by which RMC requires grades to be submitted, it will potentially delay the student's graduation and awarding of the PCSC qualification for JCSP and the Master of Defence Studies.

ACADEMIC APPEALS

15. Students who feel that they have grounds for complaint in academic matters (e.g., review of a grade) should, as a first step, approach the assigned DS, or through them, the applicable Academic Staff member. If the matter cannot be settled at this level, appeal is made formally through the student's DS to the Programme Officer who shall pass the appeal to the Director of Programmes who, in consultation with the Director of Academics, will render a final ruling. When making an appeal the student must explain why they disagree with the assigned grade and demonstrate where the marking is not in accordance with the grading rubrics and marking guides provided in the appropriate paragraphs in this syllabus. In mounting an appeal, the student must understand that

the work in question will be reassessed by a different staff marking team. There are three possible outcomes from an academic appeal: the mark originally assigned could remain unchanged; it could go up; or it could be reduced. The mark that is determined by the appeal process is considered final. There is no limit to the number of papers/activities that a student can appeal over the life of the Programme.

16. Key to this process is the expectation that disputed matters will be resolved as closely as possible to the level at which they originate, and as quickly as is consistent with careful review.

17. All academic appeals will be conducted in a blind manner with the name, gender, trade, component and mark being removed from the document prior to the paper's being provided to the Academic(s) who will be conducting the appeal.

TURNITIN REQUIREMENTS

18. Turnitin is a commercial academic plagiarism-checking website which identifies possible deliberate or accidental duplication of others' work. In taking the JCSP, students agree that their papers will be subject to submission to Turnitin, through CFCLearn, for textual similarity review. Students will be permitted to submit drafts of their work to Turnitin and review the Turnitin Commonality Report prior to submitting their assignment for assessment. All submitted papers will be included as source documents in the Turnitin reference database solely for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of such papers. The terms that apply to the CFC's use of the Turnitin service are described on the Turnitin website.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

19. In case of discrepancy between this description and the Academic Integrity policies of the RMC and CFC, the latter documents shall be considered the primary references, as applicable.

20. There are three categories of academic misconduct as follows:

- a. <u>Cheating</u>. Examples of cheating include the following:
 - (1) an act or attempt to give, receive, share or utilize unauthorized information or assistance before or during a test or examination;
 - (2) deliberate failure to follow rules on assignments, presentations, exercises, tests, or examination;
 - (3) tampering with official documents, including electronic records;
 - (4) falsifying research data;
 - (5) the inclusion, in footnotes, end notes or bibliographic listings, of sources that were not used in the writing of the paper or report; and
 - (6) the impersonation of a candidate at an examination.

- b. <u>Plagiarism</u>. Examples of plagiarism include the following:
 - (1) deliberately and knowingly using the work of others and attempting to present it as original thought, prose or work. This includes, for example, the failure to appropriately acknowledge a source, misrepresentation of cited work, and misuse of quotation marks or attribution; and
 - (2) failure to adequately acknowledge collaboration or outside assistance.
- c. <u>Other Violations of Academic Ethics</u>. Other violations of academic ethics include the following:
 - (1) deliberately not following ethical norms or guidelines in research;
 - (2) failure to acknowledge that work has been submitted for credit elsewhere; and
 - (3) misleading or false statements regarding work completed.

21. <u>Generative Artificial Intelligence</u>. The complete details can be found in the CFC Academic Integrity Policy. However, the use of AI must be considered in all areas of academic integrity and the following should guide its use:

- a. Students may use AI tools for the same tasks they accomplish with tools such as Internet search engines, library database searches, Grammarly, Antidote, online dictionaries, and online thesauruses, unless any of these uses goes against a specific instructor's direction;
- b. Unless specifically authorized by the instructor and/or the lead course team, any use of generative AI tools beyond 21a above is prohibited;
- c. In any case in which the instructor and/or the lead course team allows the use of generative AI beyond what is stated in 21a above (e.g., to go through the process of generating content or to study AI), AI-generated content must be fully disclosed, cited, and described in any work or presentation; and
- d. As this is a new and emerging tool, if unsure of a potential application, consult with instructor and lead course team (DS, Academic, CDO).

22. Penalties imposed upon students found guilty of academic misconduct may range from a mark of zero for the activity to dismissal from the Programme, with further potential censure from the Chain of Command.

ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT TEMPLATES

23. The CFC is committed to excellence and accountability in all aspects of its curriculum. Assessment Templates are provided so that students understand activity requirements with respect

to grading before commencing their work. The following set of comprehensive assessment templates will be used for marking assignments or activities completed during the JCSP.

GRADE	Α	В	С	F	
Intellectual Rigour (30%)					
Introduction	Provides summary of themes in readings, clear thesis statement, and road map of presentation.	Mentions read- ings and in- cludes clear thesis state- ment.	Some sense of an argument indi- cated.	Provides no sense of where presenta- tion is headed.	
Understanding	Demonstrates very good understanding of the readings and their application to the thesis.	Readings are used to support thesis.	Some of the read- ings are used to support the thesis.	Does not reference the read- ings.	
Effective Comm	unication (20%)				
Delivery	Communicates ideas with some enthusi- asm, proper voice projection, appropri- ate language and clear delivery, while making some eye contact.	Communicates ideas clearly. No significant delivery prob- lems.	Some difficulty communicating ideas due to prob- lem with voice projection, lan- guage, or eye con- tact.	Ideas are not clear.	
Organization	Very good organiza- tion and pacing. Meets time stipula- tions.	Generally or- ganized but some difficul- ties meeting time stipula- tions.	Some difficulties in organization and/or meeting time stipulations.	No sense of organiza- tion. Pres- entation is far too long/short.	

STUDENT CHAIR/LEAD ASSESSMENT TEMPLATE

GRADE	Α	В	С	F	
Discussion Facili	tation (35%)	•			
Quality of Discussion	The Chair's conduct and actions clearly improve the quality of discussion. (e.g., for seminar)/direction (e.g., for LD or DI)	Discussion is improved as a result of the Chair's presen- tation/direc- tion.	Chair has little impact on the level of the dis- cussion.	Chair has a negative im- pact on the level of the discussion.	
Direction	Discussion proceeded logically thanks to clear, implicit or ex- plicit, direction from the chair.	Most of the discussion pro- ceeded logi- cally thanks to clear, implicit or explicit, di- rection from the chair.	Discussion jumped from is- sue to issue re- sulting in surface- level exchanges of opinions and ideas.	Topics cov- ered in the discussion diverged significantly from the original out- line.	
Discussion Environment	Chair ensured that all students were in- volved in the discus- sion.	Chair was gen- erally success- ful in providing all students with opportuni- ties to speak.	Chair was only somewhat in con- trol of the discus- sion environment.	Interven- tions were required by staff to maintain or- der.	
Response to Criticism			Chair struggled to accommodate op- posing views and tended to take them personally.	Chair's con- duct ac- tively dis- couraged opposing views.	
Synthesis (15%)					
Summary of Views	Thoughtful, orga- nized, and engaging summary of the dis- cussion clearly added to the students' learn- ing experience.	Summary of the discussion captured the major issues being consid- ered.	Effort was made to summarize the discussion.	No sum- mary at the end of the discussion.	

CONTRIBUTION TO LEARNING ASSESSMENT TEMPLATE

GRADE	Α	В	С	F			
Participatory	Participatory Contribution (40%)						
Participation	Actively expresses own views, supported by evidence from the required and supple- mentary readings, lis- tens to peers, and challenges peers' views.	Actively ex- presses own views, and lis- tens to peers.	Limited interac- tion with peers.	No interaction with peers.			
Intellectual C	Contribution (30%)						
Preparation	Arrives fully pre- pared, having read the required and some supplementary read- ings.	Arrives fully prepared, hav- ing read only the required readings.	Arrives noticea- bly less than en- tirely prepared.	Unprepared.			
Delivery	Communicates ideas with enthusiasm, proper voice projec- tion, appropriate lan- guage, and clear de- livery, while making some eye contact.	Communicates ideas clearly. No significant delivery prob- lems.	Some difficulty communicating ideas due to prob- lems with voice projection, lan- guage, or lack of eye contact.	Ideas are not clear.			
Quality of Comments	Comments advance the level and depth of the dialogue (consist- ently).	Comments oc- casionally ad- vance the level and depth of the dialogue.	When/where pre- pared, makes rel- evant comments based on the as- signed material.	Demonstrates a noticeable lack of interest in the ma- terial.			
Impact (30%)							
Impact on Group Dy- namic	Group dynamic and level of discussion are consistently better be- cause of the student's presence.	Group dynamic and level of dis- cussion are of- ten better be- cause of the student's pres- ence.	Group dynamic and level of dis- cussion are occa- sionally better (and never worse) because of the student's pres- ence.	Group dynamic and level of dis- cussion are harmed (perhaps signifi- cantly) by the stu- dent's presence.			

ACADEMIC WRITTEN WORK ASSESSMENT TEMPLATE

GRADE	Α	В	С	F			
Argument (45	Argument (45%–70%)						
Organization	Essay proceeds logically from start to finish and is coherent throughout.	Essay includes some minor logi- cal inconsisten- cies, but they hardly detract from the overall coherence of the argument.	Significant logical inconsistencies in parts of the paper make the overall credibility of the argument some- what dubious.	The essay is illogi- cal, incoherent, and as a result com- pletely unconvinc- ing.			
Thesis Quality	Thesis, whether implicit or ex- plicit, is abso- lutely clear and highly original.	Thesis, whether implicit or ex- plicit, is clear and deliberate.	Thesis is identifia- ble in some form, with effort.	Essay does not con- tain — either im- plicitly or explicitly — a thesis.			
Objectivity	Essay demon- strates a masterful grasp of all sides of the issue.	Essay effectively recognizes a vari- ety of points of view.	Essay is clearly, al- beit unintentional- ly, partial. It either fails to deal with contrary points of view out of igno- rance or deals with them unfairly.	Essay is deliber- ately not impartial. The author has used the paper as a pulpit instead of as a framework for rig- orous critical analy- sis.			
Analysis	Analytical abili- ties on display are clearly superior and reflect an originality of thinking.	Analytical abili- ties on display demonstrate an ability to separate ideas into their component parts.	Analytical abilities on display are in- consistent. Some ideas are clear and fully understood; others are not.	Paper reproduces arguments from other sources with no evidence of un- derstanding.			
Evidence (15%	%-40%)						
Depth	Essay draws from sources that rep- resent the best primary (if appli- cable) and most comprehensive secondary infor- mation on the subject. Quantity of sources ex- ceeds expecta- tions.	Essay draws from a legitimate vari- ety of primary (if applicable) and relatively compre- hensive secondary information. Quantity of sources meets or exceeds expecta- tions.	While the essay may draw from a significant number of sources, the in- formation obtained from those sources is largely surface- level (for example, encyclopaedia en- tries and/or news- paper articles).	Essay is drawn largely, if not ex- clusively, from in- appropriate mate- rial.			

GRADE	Α	В	С	F	
Breadth	Essay draws from an impressive va- riety of sources and perspectives.	Essay draws from an acceptable va- riety of sources and perspectives.	Sources either come largely from a single perspective or are quantifiably insufficient to meet the demands of the assignment.	Sources are exces- sively limited in quantity and repre- sent an excessively limited point of view.	
Synthesis	Presentation of the evidence demonstrates a masterful under- standing of its themes, both spe- cific and general.	Presentation of the evidence demonstrates a clear understand- ing of its themes, both specific and general.	Presentation of the evidence demon- strates a flawed un- derstanding of ei- ther its specific or its general themes.	Presentation of the evidence demon- strates a flawed un- derstanding of both its specific and its general themes.	
Relevance	Evidence is di- rectly applicable to the analysis throughout.	Evidence is largely applicable to the analysis throughout.	Some of the evi- dence is clearly tangential and de- tracts from the credibility of the argument.	Evidence does not contribute to a ful- filment of the goals of the assignment.	
Writing (10%	5)	-	-		
Overall	Grammar, punc- tuation, and spelling are virtu- ally flawless. Language and word choice are appropriate throughout.	Limited flaws in grammar, punctu- ation, and/or spelling do not detract from the overall message of the essay. Some minor prob- lems with lan- guage and word choice are noted but not overly problematic.	There are signifi- cant flaws in some of grammar, punc- tuation, spelling, language and/or word choice.	Paper is incoherent because of flaws in grammar, punctua- tion, spelling, lan- guage, and/or word choice.	
Format (5%)					
Overall	Essay follows CFC scholarly conventions, in- cluding proper ci- tation methods, virtually flaw- lessly.	Only minor flaws in terms of CFC scholarly conven- tions including ci- tation methods.	Significant flaws in terms of CFC scholarly conven- tions (likely includ- ing citation meth- ods).	Paper displays a blatant disregard for CFC scholarly con- ventions.	

GRADE	Α	В	С	F	
Argument (70%)					
Organization and Logic	Flows logically from start to fin- ish and is coher- ent throughout.	Includes some mi- nor logical incon- sistencies, but they hardly detract from the overall coher- ence of the argu- ment.	Significant logical inconsistencies in parts of the paper make the overall credibility of the argument some- what dubious.	The paper is illogi- cal, incoherent, disjointed and, as a result, completely unconvincing.	
Clarity	Issue and argu- ment are explicit, absolutely clear, and to the point.	Issue and argument are explicit, clear, and deliberate.	Issue and argu- ment are identifia- ble in some form, with effort.	Issue is incompre- hensible and the argument, either implicitly or ex- plicitly, is uniden- tifiable.	
Objectivity	Demonstrates a masterful grasp of facts.	Effectively recog- nizes the facts.	Clearly, albeit un- intentionally, con- tains non-factual opinion.	Is deliberately void of factual infor- mation and weighs heavily on public opinion or per- sonal, unprofes- sional views.	
Analysis	Analytical abili- ties on display are clearly superior; writing style is concise.	Analytical abilities on display demon- strate an ability to separate ideas into their component parts.	Analytical abili- ties on display are inconsistent. Some ideas are clear and fully un- derstood; others are not.	Reproduces argu- ments from other sources without any evidence of understanding.	
Writing & Formatting (30%)					
Overall	Grammar, punc- tuation, and spelling are virtu- ally flawless. Language and word choices are exceptional.	Limited flaws in grammar, punctua- tion, spelling and/or formatting do not detract from the overall message of the paper.	Some minor prob- lems with lan- guage, word choice, and/or for- matting are noted but not overly problematic.	Paper is incoherent because of signifi- cant flaws in gram- mar, punctuation, spelling, word choice, and/or for- matting.	

MILITARY WRITING ASSESSMENT TEMPLATE

GRADE	Α	В	С	F
Leadership and Collaboration 10%	Actively and con- tinually leads, supports, collabo- rates exception- ally, and responds to peers.	Makes a sincere and positive effort to take on a leader- ship or follower role when appropri- ate and required. Collaborated well in the team envi- ronment.	Had difficulty un- derstanding when to take on a lead- ership or follower role. Effective collaboration was observed incon- sistently.	Was neither an ef- fective leader nor follower. Had ex- treme difficulty collaborating with others.
Organization 10%	Analysis proceeds logically from start to finish, is coherent through- out, and involves constant revisiting of previously as- sessed compo- nents of the Ori- entation stage.	Analysis includes some minor logical inconsistencies and involves some re- visiting of previ- ously assessed components of the Orientation stage.	Significant logical inconsistencies in parts of the analy- sis make the over- all credibility of the argument somewhat dubi- ous. Little revisit- ing of previously assessed compo- nents of the Ori- entation stage.	The analysis is il- logical, incoherent, and as a result completely uncon- vincing. No revisit- ing of previously assessed compo- nents of the Orien- tation stage.
Analytical Abilities 10%	Analytical abili- ties on display are clearly superior and reflect an originality of thinking.	Analytical abilities on display demon- strate an ability to separate ideas into their component parts.	Analytical abili- ties on display are inconsistent. Some ideas are clear and fully un- derstood; others are not.	Analytical abilities on display are weak. Ideas are not clear or fully un- derstood.
Understanding 10%	Demonstrates ex- cellent under- standing of the process and its application to the analytic process.	Demonstrates good understanding of the process and its application to the analytic process.	Demonstrates limited under- standing of the process and its application to the analytic process.	Demonstrates little or no understand- ing of the process and its application to the analytic pro- cess.
Participation in Discussion 10%	Enthusiastic and educated partici- pation in all dis- cussions.	Enthusiastic and educated participa- tion in most discus- sions.	Little productive participation in discussions.	No productive par- ticipation in discus- sions.

EXERCISE AND TUTORIAL ASSESSMENT TEMPLATE

GRADE	Α	В	С	F
Leadership and Collaboration 10%	Actively and con- tinually leads, supports, collabo- rates exception- ally, and responds to peers.	Makes a sincere and positive effort to take on a leader- ship or follower role when appropri- ate and required. Collaborated well in the team envi- ronment.	Had difficulty un- derstanding when to take on a lead- ership or follower role. Effective collaboration was observed incon- sistently.	Was neither an ef- fective leader nor follower. Had ex- treme difficulty collaborating with others.
Synthesis 10%	Demonstrates a masterful under- standing of rele- vant themes, both specific and gen- eral.	Demonstrates a clear understanding of relevant themes, both specific and general.	Demonstrates a flawed under- standing of either specific or gen- eral themes.	Demonstrates a flawed understand- ing of both specific and general themes.
Written Summary 10%	Meets all require- ments and is gen- erally free of ty- pographical er- rors.	Meets almost all requirements and is generally free of typographical er- rors.	Meets some of the requirements but contains typo- graphical errors.	Meets few of the requirements and contains typo- graphical errors.
Content 10%	Addresses all of the pertinent is- sues in an accu- rate and concise manner IAW the templates pro- vided.	Addresses all of the pertinent issues in an accurate and concise manner.	Addresses most of the pertinent is- sues in an accu- rate and concise manner.	Addresses few of the pertinent issues in an accurate and concise manner.
Delivery 10%	Communicates re- hearsed ideas with confidence, knowledge of the material, proper voice projection, appropriate lan- guage, and clear delivery, while making some eye contact.	Communicates ideas clearly with knowledge of the material. No signif- icant delivery prob- lems.	Some difficulty communicating ideas due to lack of knowledge, voice projection or language prob- lem, or lack of eye contact.	Briefing is deliv- ered with little con- fidence or knowledge.

GRADE	Α	В	С	F
Leadership and Collaboration 10%	Actively and con- tinually leads, supports, collabo- rates exception- ally, and responds to peers.	Makes a sincere and positive effort to take on a leader- ship or follower role when appropri- ate and required. Collaborated well in the team envi- ronment.	Had difficulty un- derstanding when to take on a lead- ership or follower role. Effective collaboration was observed incon- sistently.	Was neither an ef- fective leader nor follower. Had ex- treme difficulty collaborating with others.
Organization 10%	Very good organ- ization and pac- ing. Meets time stipulations.	Generally orga- nized but some dif- ficulties meeting time stipulations.	Some difficulties in organization and/or meeting time stipulations.	No sense of organi- zation. Presentation is far too long/ short.

THREADED DISCUSSION ASSESSMENT TEMPLATE

GRADE	Α	В	С	F
Contribution	to Learning (40%)			
Relation to Peers	Actively and continu- ally leads, supports, engages and responds to peers.	Makes a sincere and positive effort to interact and en- gage with peers.	Limited interaction with peers.	No interac- tion with peers.
Participation	Plays an active role in discussions as seen in the frequency and timeliness of stimulat- ing postings.	Participates con- structively in dis- cussions as seen by posting to meet ac- tivity requirements in an engaging manner.	When/where pre- pared, participates constructively in discussions.	Never participates.
Intellectual C	ontribution (30%)			
Preparation	Postings always re- flect a solid grasp of required readings, with accurate linkages to related academic or professional material.	Postings reflect a good appreciation of activity material.	Postings will refer to required read- ings but will reflect a cursory under- standing of the readings.	Unprepared.

Quality of Comments	Comments consist- ently advance the level and depth of the online dialogue.	Makes relevant comments based on the assigned mate- rial that keeps the online dialogue moving forward.	When/where pre- pared, makes appli- cable comments based on the as- signed material.	Demonstrates a noticeable lack of inter- est in the ma- terial.
Impact (30%)				
Impact on Group Dynamic	Group dynamic and level of discussion are often better because of the student's online presence.	Group dynamic and level of discussion are occasionally better (and never worse) because of the student's online presence.	Group dynamic and level of discussion are not affected by the student's pres- ence.	Group dy- namic and level of dis- cussion are harmed (per- haps signifi- cantly) by the participant's presence.

REFLECTIVE WRITING ASSESSMENT TEMPLATE

GRADE	Α	В	С	F
Organization (15	%)			
Overall	Paper proceeds logically from start to finish and is coherent (in its argument or message) throughout.	Paper includes some minor logi- cal inconsisten- cies, but they hardly detract from the overall coherence of the argument or message.	Significant logi- cal inconsisten- cies in parts of the paper make the overall credi- bility of the argu- ment or message somewhat dubi- ous.	The paper is il- logical, incoher- ent and, as a re- sult, completely unconvincing.
Depth of Analysis	(20%)			
Overall	The participant's paper references a comprehensive selection of course/pro- gramme mate- rial.	The participant's paper references a relatively com- prehensive selec- tion of course/ programme ma- terial.	Paper makes in- direct and/or vague references to course/pro- gramme mate- rial.	Paper makes no links to any pre- vious course/pro- gramme mate- rial.
Evidence of Learn	ing/Personal Grov	wth (50%)		
Reference to Prior Assumptions	Paper demon- strates author's clear awareness of their prior as- sumptions.	Paper makes vague references to author's prior assumptions.	Paper implies that author might have been aware of their prior as- sumptions.	Paper presents no evidence that author has thought about their prior as- sumptions.
Use of Specific Examples	Paper consist- ently utilizes specific exam- ples to substanti- ate its analysis.	Paper utilizes a limited number of specific exam- ples to substanti- ate its analysis.	Paper lacks suffi- cient specific ex- amples to sub- stantiate its anal- ysis convinc- ingly.	Paper does not utilize any spe- cific examples.
Reference to Future	Paper includes specific refer- ences to future personal and/or professional practices/behav- iours.	Paper alludes to future personal and/or profes- sional practices/ behaviours.	Paper implies that the observa- tion(s) have a po- tential to inform future personal and/or profes- sional prac- tices/behaviours.	Paper fails to consider the im- plications of the participant's ob- servations.

GRADE	Α	В	С	F		
Clarity of Expression (15%)						
Overall	Language and word choice are appropriate throughout.	Some minor problems with language and word choice are noted, but they are not overly problematic.	Significant flaws in language and/ or word choice prevent a clear understanding of the author's in- tent.	The writing is in- comprehensible.		

EXERCISE GROUP ASSESSMENT TEMPLATE

GRADE	Α	В	С	F
Team Organiz	ation (30%)			
Organization	Group activity is ex- tremely well orga- nized and proceeds in a logical se- quence. This results in equitable work distribution, meet- ing time stipula- tions, and achieving all activity objec- tives.	Group activity or- ganization results in achieving most or all activity objec- tives with some log- ical inconsistencies, or difficulties in work distribution, or in meeting time stip- ulations.	Group activity or- ganization results in achieving some ac- tivity objectives with some logical inconsistencies, and/or difficulties in work distribution, and/or in meeting time stipulations.	No apparent sense of organi- zation to group work.
Critical Think	ing by Team (35%)	Γ	Γ	
Analysis/ Synthesis	Excellent depth and breadth of analysis of activity problem set. Clearly consid- ered all available in- formation and ap- preciated diverse perspectives. Clearly utilized a variety of analytical tools and methodol- ogies, including in- depth group discus- sion and debate.	Good analysis but lacking either depth or breadth due to not considering all available infor- mation or not con- sidering different perspectives. Utilized a few dif- ferent analytical tools and/or method- ologies. Some group discussion and de- bate.	Demonstrates a lim- ited or flawed un- derstanding of the activity problem set due to poor analysis/ synthesis of infor- mation. Narrow and shallow analysis of the activ- ity problem set.	Demonstrates a flawed under- standing of the activity prob- lem set. Analysis/syn- thesis repro- duced from other sources without any ev- idence of com- prehension.
Team Products	s (20%)	I	I	
Deliverable Content	Includes all requi- site items and fol- lows templates if applicable. Is coher- ent and logical in flow. Clearly articu- lates the results of group analysis/inter- action.	Includes most requi- site items and fol- lows templates if applicable. May contain minor logic or coherency errors. Mostly articulates the results of group analysis/interaction.	Includes most requi- site items and mostly follows tem- plates if applicable. Contains errors in logic or coherence. Mostly articulates the results of group analysis/interaction.	Contains few of the pertinent items and/or does not follow template and/or does not repre- sent group work and/or ig- nores Comd's direction and guidance in the case of OPP.

	In the case of OPP exercises, reflects specific direction and guidance pro- vided by the Comd.	In the case of OPP exercises, mostly re- flects specific direc- tion and guidance provided by the Comd.	In the case of OPP exercises, fails to fully include spe- cific direction and guidance provided by the Comd.	
Communicatio	n (15%)			
Communica- tion	 (formal or informal briefs) Verbally communicates in a highly professional manner; with confidence and knowledge of the material. (written deliverables) Written communication is free of grammatical errors, clear and brief. (multi-media) Highly creative and effective use of multi-media. 	 (formal or informal briefs) Verbally communicates clearly. May lack some confidence and/or knowledge of the material. (written delivera- bles) Written com- munication may contain grammatical errors, or be lengthy and/or imprecise. (multi-media) Effec- tive use of multi- media. 	(formal or informal briefs) Some diffi- culty with verbal communication. May lack confi- dence and/or knowl- edge of the material. (written delivera- bles) Written com- munication contains grammatical errors, is too lengthy, and is imprecise. (multi-media) Inef- fective use of multi- media.	Unprofessional delivery and/or product.

GRADE	Α	В	С	F
Structure (30%)			
Introduction	Provides an intro- duction to the presentation topic, outlines each theme or key point, skill- fully summarizes each one, and provides a road map of the presentation.	Provides an intro- duction to the presentation topic, outlines each theme or key point, and pro- vides a road map of the presenta- tion.	Provides some sense of the presentation topic and themes (key points).	The group pro- vides no sense of where the presen- tation is headed.
Logic	The group organ- izes material in a logical and coher- ent manner to avoid repetition. The presentation is organized. Speaking notes flow logically and are coherent throughout.	The group organ- izes material in a logical manner with minimal rep- etition. Speaking notes include some minor logi- cal inconsisten- cies, but these hardly detract from the overall coherence of the presentation.	Significant logi- cal inconsisten- cies in parts of the presentation and incoherent organization make the presen- tation difficult to understand in places. The same applies for the speaking notes. The credibility of the presentation is dubious.	The presentation and speaking notes are illogical, incoherent and, as a result, com- pletely uncon- vincing.
Content (40%)				
Understanding	Demonstrates ex- cellent under- standing of the material and the associated analy- sis.	Demonstrates good understand- ing of the mate- rial and the asso- ciated analysis.	Demonstrates limited under- standing of the material and the associated analy- sis.	Demonstrates lit- tle or no under- standing of the material and the associated analy- sis.
Analytical Abilities	Analytical abili- ties on display are clearly superior and reflect an originality of thinking. The	Analytical abili- ties on display demonstrate an ability to separate ideas into their component parts.	Analytical abili- ties on display are inconsistent. Some ideas are clear and fully	Analytical abili- ties on display are weak. Ideas are not clear or fully understood. Presentation and

GROUP PRESENTATION ASSESSMENT TEMPLATE

	group's thoughts are concisely syn thesized.		understoo ers are no	t.	notes reproduce references with- out analysis or ev- idence of under- standing.
Communicatio	on 30%	·			_
Presentation	Uses available multimedia (if permitted) effec- tively, very clearly and pre- cisely presented. Presentation and speaking notes are very effec- tive at communi- cating the key messages. The group delivers key points with clarity and preci- sion.	Uses some avail- able multimedia (if permitted), clearly and pre- cisely presented. Presentation and speaking notes are effective at communicating all of the key messages. The group delivers key points with clarity.	Uses multim permitted), b mation is not presented. Pr tion and spea notes are som effective at c cating some the key mess Not all key p clear.	out infor- t clearly resenta- aking newhat communi- or all of sages.	Presentation for- mat and speak- ing notes are in- effective at com- municating the key points. There is little or no clarity on the key points central to the presentation.
Format	Format is con- sistent, with no grammatical, punctuation, or spelling errors. Language and word choices are exceptional. The group fully syn- chronizes the presentation and speaking notes for consistency.	Format is con- sistent. Limited flaws in gram- mar, punctua- tion, spelling, and/or format- ting do not de- tract from the overall message of the presenta- tion. Consistency between presen- tation and speak- ing notes is strong.	Format is inc sistent. Some problems wit guage, word and/or forma noted but not problematic. sages are unc There are nut inconsistenci tween the pro- tion and the s notes.	e minor th lan- choice, atting are t overly Mes- clear. merous ies be- esenta-	Format is incon- sistent. Presenta- tion and speak- ing notes are in- coherent because of significant flaws in gram- mar, punctua- tion, spelling, word choice, and/or format- ting. There is lit- tle or no consis- tency between the presentation and the speaking notes.

	Outstanding	Superior	Good	Pass
Contribution (60	%)			•
Leadership	Demonstrates clear, decisive, and exceptional leadership abili- ties in all aspects of College life (academic and extracurricular).	Demonstrates clear leadership abilities in all as- pects of College life (academic and extracurricu- lar).	Demonstrates lead- ership, or leader- ship potential, in selective aspects of College life (aca- demic or extracur- ricular).	Contributes at an acceptable level to College life (academic or ex- tracurricular).
Collaboration	Works excep- tionally well with all staff and students. Pro- motes collabora- tion and demon- strates team- building skills in all aspects of College life. Ex- cels in a team- based environ- ment.	Works well with all staff and stu- dents. Collabo- rates effectively and consistently in all aspects of College life. Functions opti- mally in a team- based environ- ment.	Typically works well with other staff and students. Col- laborates without complaint in all as- pects of College life. Functions ac- ceptably in a team- based environment.	Can work with other staff and students. Has challenges col- laborating in cer- tain aspects of College life. At times struggle to function opti- mally in a team- based environ- ment.
Participation	Contributes meaningfully to most, if not all, aspects of Col- lege life (aca- demic and extra- curricular). Ac- tively involved in multiple Col- lege activities and contributes to improving the morale of staff and students.	Contributes meaningfully to many aspects of College life (aca- demic and/or ex- tracurricular). In- volved in several College activities and supports the morale of staff and students.	Contributes to some elements of College life (academic and/ or extracurricular). Involved in some College activities and has a positive effect on the morale of staff and stu- dents.	Is occasionally involved in se- lect aspects of College life (aca- demic and/or ex- tracurricular). In- volvement in College activities has limited im- pact on the mo- rale of staff and students.

PROFESSIONAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT TEMPLATE

	Outstanding	Superior	Good	Pass	
Communication Skills (15%)	The assessment of professional communications skills are to be consider sepa- rate from academic requirements. It is to be considered the means by which a student communicates and interacts with peers, subordinates, and superiors. Students are senior officers and must interact and communicate with others in a professional manner. This includes their writing and verbal and non-verbal communication.				
Verbal/ Non-Verbal	Poised, articu- late, interested and respectful to all persons at all times. Generates excitement and interest in others consistently. Posture, facial expressions, and eye contact are consistent and showing full en- gagement. Makes a noticea- ble effort to communicate in second language (Canadian stu- dents only).	Poised, clear and respectful to all persons in most situations. Seeks to generate ex- citement and in- terest in others consistently. Posture, facial expressions, and eye contact are mostly consistent and show good engagement. Makes an effort to communicate in second lan- guage (Canadian students only).	Typically poised and clear. On a rare occasion loses com- posure resulting in a lack of respect for others. At times in- spires excitement among peers. Pos- ture, facial expres- sions, and eye con- tact are present, but engagement is in- consistent. Makes an occasional effort to communicate in second language (Canadian students only).	Often loses poise and becomes emotional, re- sulting in disre- spectful encoun- ters. Rarely in- spires excitement among peers. Body language is uninterested or combative. Avoids opportu- nities to com- municate in more than one language (Cana- dian students only).	
Written	Always produces exceptionally clear and concise documents, presentations, and e-mails. This written work is always well re- fined, respectful, and insightful while always uti- lizing correct grammar.	Produces clear and concise doc- uments, presen- tations, and e- mails. This writ- ten work is re- fined and re- spectful, and uti- lizes correct grammar.	Produces relatively clear and concise documents, presen- tations, and e-mails. This written work is somewhat refined, mostly respectful, and normally uti- lizes correct gram- mar.	Produces poorly written docu- ments, presenta- tions, and e- mails that are not clear, refined, or respectful, while rarely using cor- rect grammar.	

	Outstanding	Superior	Good	Pass	
Officer-Like Qualities (25%)					
Responsibility	Student is al- ways on time and prepared.	Student is almost always on time and rarely unpre- pared.	Usually on time and generally prepared.	At times late and/or unpre- pared.	
Respect	Displays sensi- tivity, honesty, ethical consider- ation, and respect for the diverse nature of the CFC community.	Interacts respect- fully with all staff and stu- dents.	Usually interacts respectfully with all staff and students.	Displays the ability to interact respectfully with others, but at times fails to do so.	
Reliability	When faculty as- sign work or the student volun- teers for a task, all work is com- pleted on time and of outstand- ing quality.	When faculty as- sign work or the student volun- teers for a task, the student com- pletes all work on time and of superior quality.	When faculty as- sign work or the student volunteers for a task, the stu- dent completes all work usually on time and of good quality.	When faculty as- sign work or the student volun- teers for a task, work is not usu- ally overly late and is generally of acceptable quality.	
Conduct	Personal behav- iour on and off duty is exem- plary and always reflects posi- tively on the CAF.	Personal behav- iour on and off duty is generally exemplary and reflects posi- tively on the CAF.	Personal behaviour on and off duty is professional and re- flects positively on the CAF.	Personal behav- iour on and off duty is generally acceptable.	
Integrity/ Courage	The student is al- ways just, hon- est, and honoura- ble with respect to superiors, sub- ordinates, peers, and assigned tasks. Always maintains their convictions and ideals in chal- lenging circum- stances.	The student is just, honest, and honourable with respect to superi- ors, subordi- nates, peers, and assigned tasks. Maintains their convictions and ideals in chal- lenging circum- stances.	The student is just, honest, and honour- able with respect to superiors, subordi- nates, peers, and as- signed tasks. Nor- mally maintains their convictions and ideals in chal- lenging circum- stances.	The student is just, honest, and honourable with respect to superi- ors, subordi- nates, peers, and assigned tasks. Occasionally questions their convictions and ideals in chal- lenging circum- stances.	

Self-Reflection Demonstrates ability to learn from previous experiences and articulate the les sons learned to others.	1	Demonstrates abil- ity to recognize ar- eas for self-im- provement with guidance.	Has difficulty recognizing ar- eas for self-im- provement (inde- pendently and/or with support).
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