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Overview

The need for an open and informed discussion on security and defence among Canadians is as great as ever. By providing a stable source of funding to the Security and Defence Forum (SDF), the Department of National Defence supports the critical dissemination and debate of ideas.

The SDF program funds twelve university Centres of Expertise and a *Chair of Defence Management Studies* to facilitate the participation of Canada's academic community in public policy debates. As this *Annual Report* demonstrates, the SDF community contributes to the public's awareness of security and defence through media commentary, informative Web sites and outreach to community groups and high schools.

The SDF annually supports over 200 seminars and conferences, national and international academic co-operation, field research and a full range of publications. It also fosters interest in security and defence among Canadian students through scholarships, internships and university courses at campuses across the country.

Governance

Academic freedom and objectivity are at the heart of the Forum's mandate. In accordance with these principles, the Department's Directorate of Public Policy manages the program based on the guidance and recommendations of an independent Selection Committee. In addition, the heads of the Centres of Expertise and the Chair meet annually to discuss the state of the SDF community and ways to further advance the objectives of the Forum.

The Forum's Selection Committee

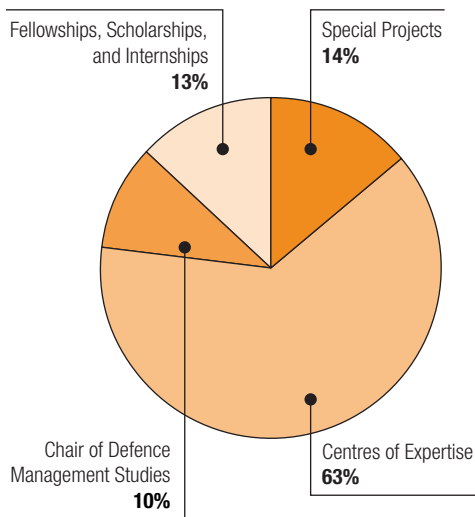
The ten-member Selection Committee meets annually to review the budgets and annual reports of the academic Centres of Expertise in order to ensure value for money. Annual reports follow a results-based management and accountability framework that allows centres to highlight their activities across a range of categories including outreach, course content and research projects. Every five years, the Committee reviews submissions for centre and Chair funding, and recommends those that should be supported in the next funding cycle.

The Committee also selects the recipients of annual academic awards. The Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada administers these awards on behalf of the Department of National Defence.

The Selection Committee's members are appointed by the Minister of National Defence and are drawn from Canadian academia and the defence community. The Chair of the Committee, who serves for a three-year term, is a person with notable expertise in the security and defence field. The current Chair is Dr. James Bayer, Director of Conflict Analysis and Management and Dean at Royal Roads University in Victoria.

At the Committee's two-day meeting in April 2004, members selected recipients and alternates for 22 fellowships, scholarships and internships totaling \$310,000. They also reviewed the annual reports from the Centres of Expertise, and provided their views and advice on various aspects of the program.

SDF Expenditures for 2003-2004



The Treasury Board approves funds for the SDF program in five-year cycles. The program is in the third year of the funding cycle and has an annual budget of \$2 million.

The Forum's Business Committee

In April 2004, the SDF Business Committee, consisting of the directors of the Centres of Expertise and the *Chair of Defence Management Studies*, held its annual meeting in Ottawa. After discussing ways to strengthen the SDF community, centre directors and their colleagues received briefings on defence policy issues, the Canada–U.S. Binational Planning Group, and Canada's mission in Afghanistan.

The meeting included two wide-ranging panel discussions during which academics presented their work on Canadian defence policy and on military capabilities. The lively debate also involved officials from National Defence, Foreign Affairs Canada and the Canadian International Development Agency and covered a wide range of topics.

The inter-departmental flavour of these discussions continued during a dinner with the Ministers of National Defence, Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation. SDF academics used this opportunity to exchange their views on Canada's defence, diplomacy and development initiatives around the world.

2003–2004 Grants

Centres of Expertise

University of British Columbia, Vancouver, <i>Institute of International Relations</i>	\$120,000
University of Calgary, Calgary, <i>Centre for Military and Strategic Studies</i>	\$120,000
University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, <i>Centre for Defence and Security Studies</i>	\$100,000
Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, <i>Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies</i>	\$95,000
York University, North York, <i>Centre for International and Security Studies</i>	\$120,000
Queen's University, Kingston, <i>Centre for International Relations</i>	\$90,000
Carleton University, Ottawa, <i>Centre for Security and Defence Studies</i>	\$120,000
McGill University and Université de Montréal, Montréal, <i>Research Group in International Security</i>	\$100,000
Université du Québec à Montréal, Montreal, <i>Centre d'études des politiques étrangères et de sécurité</i>	\$120,000
Université Laval, Québec, <i>Institut québécois des hautes études internationales</i>	\$95,000
University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, <i>Military and Strategic Studies Program</i>	\$55,000
Dalhousie University, Halifax, <i>Centre for Foreign Policy Studies</i>	\$120,000

Chair of Defence Management Studies

Queen's University, Kingston, <i>School of Policy Studies</i>	\$200,000
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Academic Contributions

The Security and Defence Forum helps the academic community participate in informed debates on Canadian security and defence issues. With annual grants to the Centres of Expertise and the Chair, the

SDF community is able to pursue research, introduce or expand courses for students, and organize outreach projects to enhance public awareness.

A total of 118 faculty members are working with some 150 research fellows in the SDF community. Taken together with the number of employees and students affiliated with one of the Centres of Expertise, the Forum's academic population includes more than 530 active members. They participated in numerous conferences, both in Canada and abroad, and published over 600 articles, book chapters and monographs.



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Canada Without Armed Forces?

Dr. Douglas Bland, *Chair of Defence Management Studies* at Queen's University, published a book on the state of the Canadian Armed Forces entitled *Canada Without Armed Forces?* The book generated considerable public debate on Canadian security and defence.

At the same time, the centres staged over 200 conferences, seminars and workshops, attracting thousands of participants from the media, private sector, government, academic community, Canadian Forces and the general public.

2004 International Reserve Conference

From March 25–27, 2004, the Centre for Military and Strategic Studies at the University of Calgary hosted the International Reserves Conference on Homeland Defence and Land Forces Reserves. The conference sought to study the structure and composition of reserve forces as well as the challenges they face today. The event proved to be a great success, drawing 150 academic, government and military participants from Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States.

Battlefield Tour

In February 2004, 130 people visited the historic sites of the Normandy and Dieppe battlefields, where thousands of Canadians lost their lives during the Second World War. These study tours, meticulously organized by the *Laurier Centre for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies*, took on a very special meaning given that 2004 marked the 60th anniversary of the Normandy landings.



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Conflicts around the world

Published once a year by Les Presses de l'Université Laval, *Les conflits dans le monde* is a reference work for anyone seeking a better understanding of the world today. It offers a chronological review and original overviews of international conflicts. Furthermore, *Les conflits dans le monde*, under the leadership of Albert Legault, Michel Fortmann and Gérard Hervouet, provides an example of collaboration among the three French-language Centres of Expertise.

Supporting the Next Generation

3rd Annual NATO Simulation Conference

The Forum helped organize the *Model NATO Conference* staged by Carleton University in March 2004. Military and civilian officials at the Department of National Defence briefed the young people who represented Canada at this event.

Student interest in security and defence remains high. In 2003–04, Centres of Expertise offered over 300 courses related to security and defence and attracted over 16,000 students.

The number of papers and theses written by graduate students on security and defence issues also attests to a growing interest in this field of study. The year

2003–04 saw the submission of 160 Master's theses and over 50 doctoral dissertations on a wide variety of topics, including military history, peacekeeping, regional security and human security.

The SDF also helps students organize their own events, including conferences and field research trips. Through such activities, the SDF is making a contribution to the education of the next generation of intellectuals and the leaders of tomorrow.

20th Annual Student Conference at the University of Manitoba

The 2004 *Political Studies Students' Conference*, entitled "Transformation of War in the 21st Century," gathered experts from academic, diplomatic and government communities to discuss issues such as the lessons of recent armed conflicts, the technology and the societal effects of war. Coordinated by students in political studies at the University of Manitoba, the conference celebrated its 20th anniversary, which makes it the oldest event of its kind in Canada.

SDF Awards

Young academics require support while developing their skills. The SDF offers several scholarships and a post-doctoral fellowship to some of Canada's top students. The number of scholarships varies each

year depending upon the number of candidates and the quality of applications. In 2003–04, the SDF Selection Committee awarded the R.B. Byers postdoctoral fellowship (\$35,000), the Ronald Baker doctoral scholarship (\$17,000), four doctoral (\$16,000) and four Master's scholarships (\$8,000). Award recipients addressed a wide range of topics of interest to the Department of National Defence and the Canadian Forces.

Every year, the SDF also funds a limited number of internships for students who have completed their Master's degrees in security and defence areas and who are seeking to complement their studies with relevant work experience. Interns can work with a range of organizations including think tanks, non-governmental organizations and international organizations. In 2003–04, the SDF provided \$48,000 in total funding for 2 interns : one was placed with the *Conference of Defence Associations Institute*, and the second was shared between the *North-South Institute* and *Project Ploughshares*. The Selection Committee decided to reduce the total number of internships available (usually four) and raise their individual value to \$32,000 for 2004–05.



David Romano and his assistant with a family of internally displaced Kurds in Kirkuk, Iraq.

Courtesy: Dr. David Romano

David Romano in Iraq

Funded by an R.B. Byers postdoctoral fellowship, David Romano of McGill University spent eight months in northern Iraq studying government policies affecting the return of refugees and the nature, structure and mobilization strategies of radical Sunni groups. His research led to an article on the violent reactions to economic globalization (co-authored by Richard Sandbrook University of Toronto), which will appear in the journal *Third World Quarterly*, and to a chapter of a book on Palestinian refugees in Iraq (co-authored by Rex Brynen of McGill University). He was also invited to serve as a commentator on CBC TV and edited a book on the Kurdish Nationalist Movement, which is scheduled for publication in 2005 by Cambridge University Press.

2003-2004 Scholarships and Internships

David Romano	R.B. Byers postdoctoral fellowship McGill University Topics: The new Iraqi government policies towards the return of refugees and internally displaced persons, radical Islamist Sunni groups in Iraq
Christopher Ankeron	Ronald Baker doctoral scholarship London School of Economics and Political Science, UK Topic: Civil Military Cooperation During Canadian Peace Support Operations in the Balkans
Chantal Aubin	SDF PhD scholarship University of Cambridge, UK Topic: Secret Intelligence and Anglo-French Relations during the 1930s
Michael Carroll	SDF PhD scholarship University of Toronto Topic: Canada and the United Nations Emergency Force
Nicole Evans	SDF PhD scholarship Oxford University, UK Topic: Continuity and Change in Soviet and Russian Missile Defence Policies, 1969–2002
Mercedes Stephenson	SDF Master's scholarship University of Calgary Topic: Canadian arms control policy and the shifting means and motives for nuclear proliferation
Steven Grunau	SDF Master's scholarship Norman Paterson School of International Affairs, Carleton University Topic: International Affairs, Conflict Analysis
Brent Ellis	SDF Master's scholarship Norman Paterson School of International Affairs, Carleton University Topics: Terrorism, intelligence in peacekeeping, conflict prevention
Melanie Paquette	SDF Master's scholarship Royal Military College of Canada Topic : Canada, public opinion in Quebec and the Cuban Missile Crisis
Kristianna Powell	SDF Internship North-South Institute/Project Ploughshares Topic: Policy Paper on the capacity of the African Union to protect vulnerable populations in situations of armed conflict
Keane Grimsrud	SDF Internship Conference of Defence Associations Institute Topic: The Revolution in Military Affairs' effect on transatlantic security; and Threat Paradigm

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Public awareness

The SDF program plays a particularly valuable role in increasing public awareness of security and defence issues through the outreach programs of its Centres of Expertise. In 2003–04, centres hosted or participated in a wide variety of public education events, from small-group seminars to high school assemblies to newspaper and television commentary. Many centres also supported speakers' series and maintained informative Web sites.



American ambassador to Canada, Mr. Paul Celluci, addresses *Centre for Foreign Policy Studies* fellows and Dalhousie University students during one of the Centre's weekly seminar series.

Courtesy: *Centre for Foreign Policy Studies*, Dalhousie University.

Security and defence in the media and on the Internet

SDF academics have gained a strong reputation both in Canada and internationally. As such, they are prominent in the media, which continue to cover defence and security in light of the campaign against terrorism, the war in Iraq and Canada's missions to Afghanistan, Haiti and elsewhere. In 2003–04, faculty published 85 opinion pieces in daily newspapers across Canada and participated in more than 1,000 media interviews.

The Centres of Expertise also publish some of their work on their Web sites in addition to using the Internet to provide media commentary, release information about their programs, courses and events, and provide links to useful online resources.

Reaching out to communities

Centres of Expertise not only strive to maintain excellence in their academic fields, they are also a valuable resource for community groups, high schools and non-governmental organizations looking for informed and thoughtful commentary. Overall, the centres committed to more than 280 different outreach or community speaking events across the country to bring their expertise to bear on some of the challenging questions facing Canadians.

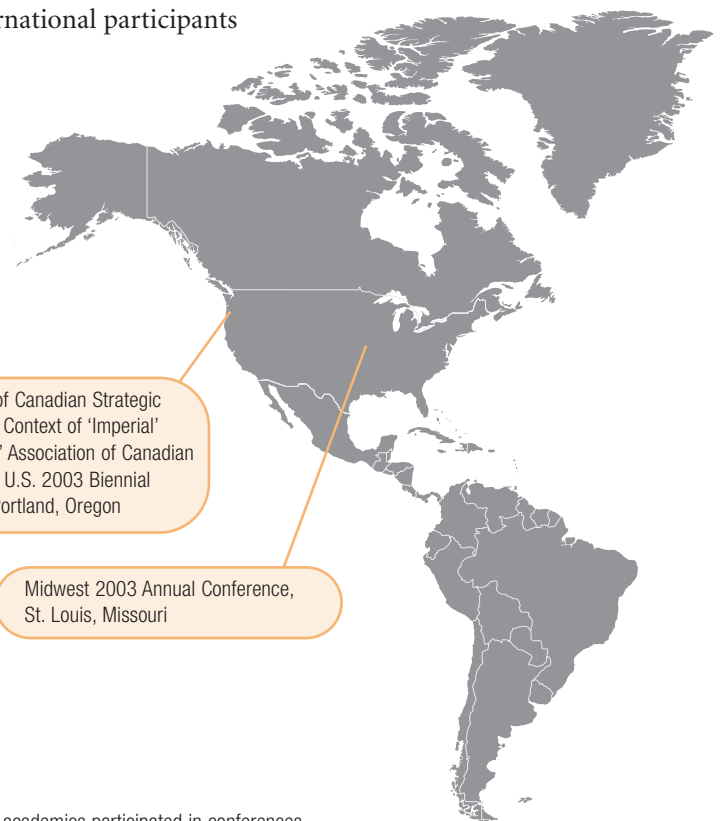
Special Projects

In 2003-04, the SDF Special Projects fund supported a wide range of initiatives across the country. This fund provides modest grants for projects such as conferences, field research and speakers' series that enhance public awareness of security and defence issues among Canadians.

Peacekeeping Intelligence

Carleton University's *Canadian Centre of Intelligence and Security Studies* and *Centre for Security and Defence Studies* and the Royal Military College's *War Studies Program* co-sponsored the second annual Peacekeeping Intelligence Conference from December 4-5, 2003. "New Players, Extended Boundaries" brought together 125 participants, from different countries, to address the future role of intelligence in peacekeeping operations. SDF funding enabled a number of students from Canadian universities to participate in the conference.

With a total investment of \$165,000, the SDF program awarded 30 special projects with support ranging from \$350 to \$10,000. As a result of this assistance, 19 different organizations and university-based groups organized events involving Canadian and international participants



"Contraction of Canadian Strategic Culture In the Context of 'Imperial' Commitment," Association of Canadian Studies in the U.S. 2003 Biennial Conference, Portland, Oregon

Midwest 2003 Annual Conference, St. Louis, Missouri

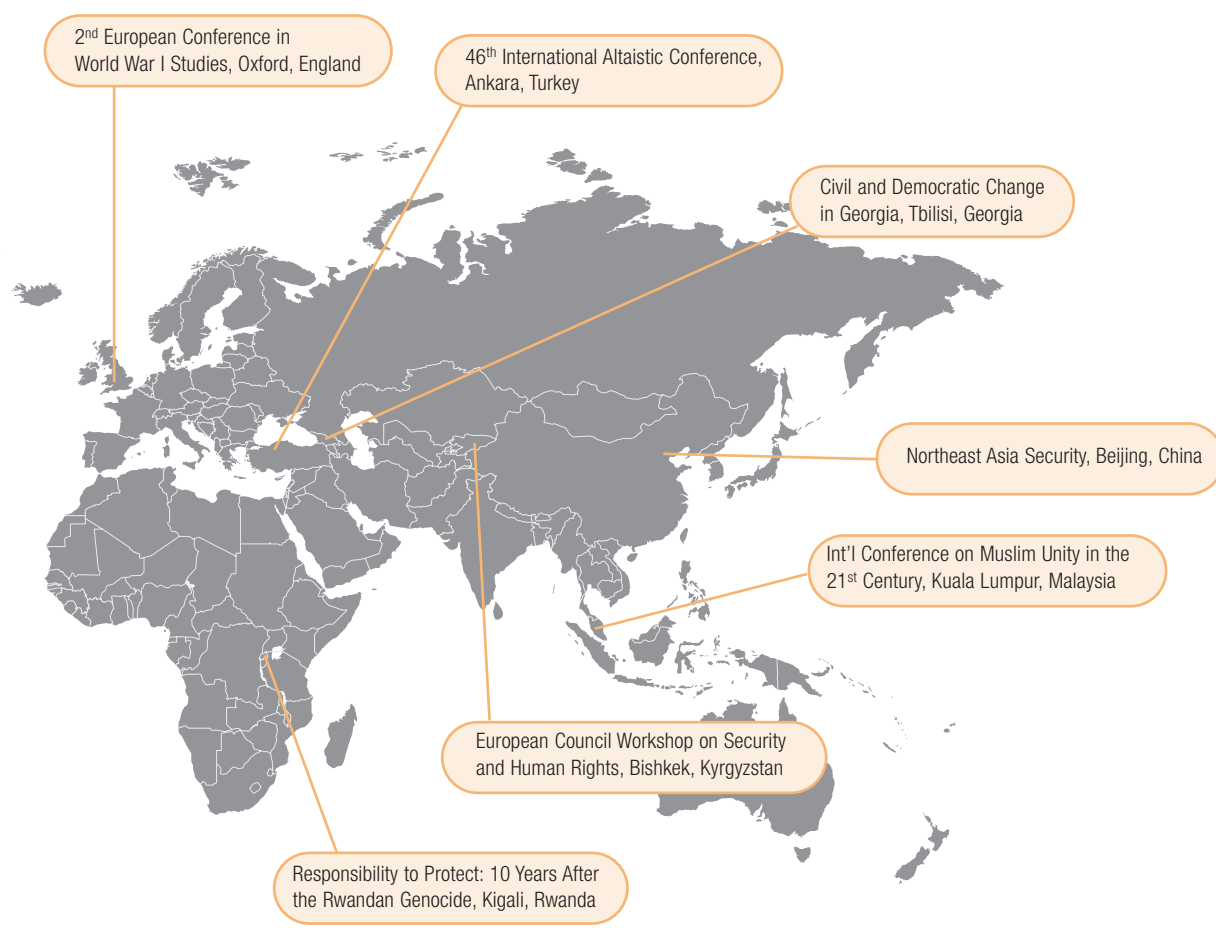
This year, 19 SDF academics participated in conferences across the globe.

to discuss matters relevant to Canada, including the changing nature of trans-Atlantic relations, international terrorism, intelligence in peacekeeping and Canada's role in North American security.

SDF International Conference Fund

In 2003, the SDF Selection Committee recommended an additional \$10,000 in reimbursements to each Centre of Expertise for participation in international conferences. The aim of this initiative is to help Canadian academics bring their national perspectives to high-level international conferences and to support up-and-coming academics.

In the first year of this pilot program, more than \$35,000 was provided to help nineteen junior faculty and senior post-graduate students from eight Centres of Expertise attend conferences around the world, including the United States, Turkey, China and Rwanda. The fund is expected to grow in popularity as more centres use this support to showcase their research on the international stage.





SDF participants and National Defence representatives in Sherbrooke during the *Lion Royal* urban environment training exercise preparing Canadian soldiers for their mission in Afghanistan.

En route to “Sher-bul!”

In December 2003, 2,000 Canadian soldiers took part in the *Lion Royal* urban environment training exercise. The purpose of the exercise was to prepare 5 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group for Rotation 1 of Operation ATHENA in Afghanistan. Because of its terrain — resembling that of Kabul — Sherbrooke, Québec, was chosen to host the exercise, and for a couple of days, played the part of the faraway Afghan city of “Sher-bul.”

On 2 and 3 December 2003, thirteen representatives of the Security and Defence Forum and two delegates from the Department of National Defence were given front-row seats to an exercise involving the evacuation of an embassy besieged by hostile demonstrators. They also toured replicas of Camps Julien and Warehouse, and received briefings on military operations and train-

ing procedures. The observation of Exercise *Lion Royal* gave SDF members exposure to the practical and operational aspects of Canada’s contribution to NATO’s International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan.



Canadian soldiers training for the evacuation of an embassy besieged by hostile demonstrators.

The Year Ahead

Strengthening SDF Partnerships

Initiatives driven by Centres of Expertise will be an important part of the coming year's activities. Already, the *Centre for International and Security Studies* at York University and the *Laurier Centre for Military, Strategic and Disarmament Studies* at Wilfrid Laurier University are working together to develop stronger links between Centres of Expertise and other universities in southern Ontario. The *SDF-Net Meeting* seeks to bring together researchers across this region to share ideas and interests and explore the possibility of cooperative research, teaching or outreach activities.

The *Centre for Military and Strategic Studies* at the University of Calgary is organizing a conference for the SDF community in November 2004. "Defence and Security Studies in Canada Today" will bring together centre directors, administrators and researchers to network, share ideas and collaborate on research and education initiatives. The aim is to take stock of the strategic studies discipline and community in Canada and seek ways to enhance its capacity. The contacts made among the centres will lay the groundwork for maintaining a security-related dialogue in the future, and it is hoped that other centres will hold similar conferences with varying themes on an annual basis.

Briefing Tour

Each year, the SDF program organizes a briefing tour to Canadian Forces bases and operations around the world. In recent years, SDF academics have visited NATO, the Balkans, the Middle East and Sherbrooke. The SDF program will examine options to provide scholars with an opportunity to visit a Canadian facility next year.

For Further Information

To know more about the Security and Defence Forum, visit:

www.forces.gc.ca/admpol/academic/sdf_e.htm

This Web site provides useful information on SDF grant programs, including scholarships, internships and special projects. Application forms, selection criteria and the terms and conditions for all programs are also found on this site.

SDF Annual Reports since 1998–99 are also available on this site. They provide a qualitative and quantitative overview of the Forum's recent history, including its evolution and successes.

Links lead to the twelve Centres of Expertise, the Chair in Defence Management Studies and the Royal Military College of Canada's Web sites. These provide information on the centres' academic programs, faculty and publications.

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