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*The Peacekeeping and Stability Operations Institute and Dickinson College are partnering for a new Securities Studies Certificate Program at Dickinson. Col. John Kardos, PKSOI director, and Neil Weissman, provost and dean of Dickinson College, sign an agreement April 9 in the Dickinson College Memorial Hall. PKSOI will assist in course development, teaching exchanges, research, publication, and internship programs. Photo by Scott Finger.*

April 15, 2010 -- The Army Peacekeeping and Stability Operations Institute is collaborating with Dickinson College to create new educational opportunities for students and faculty in Dickinson's new security-studies program.

“Arrangements like these improve the quality of education for all,” said Dickinson College President William Durden during an April 7 ceremony marking the agreement. “This brings together two different perspectives to look at peacekeeping to better serve our nation.”

The agreement is a natural one, noted Col. John Kardos, PKSOI director.

“This is a great match between what we are doing at the Army War College and what you are doing here at Dickinson College,” he said. “We are very much looking forward to this collaboration.”

This partnership will include internships, workshops, research and publication opportunities, teaching exchanges and faculty-development programs that advance understanding of peacekeeping and stability operations.

PKSOI will serve as a resource for students in Dickinson’s new security-studies program, as they study international-relations theory, U.S. foreign policy, U.S. national-security policy and strategy and transnational issues and concerns. The program is designed for students pursuing careers in policy studies, political science, international relations, the military and the environmental sciences.

As a result of Dickinson's partnership, students who are curious about the world will be better equipped to embrace new ways of thinking, solve problems creatively and address important social issues purposefully, as they address security, defense, conflict and strategic issues across our nation and around the globe, according to Durden.

To learn more about Dickinson's new certificate program visit <http://www.dickinson.edu/academics/programs/security-studies/>

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