

PEACE, JUSTICE AND CONFLICT STUDIES MINOR

The Peace, Justice and Conflict Studies minor is organized around a broad definition of peace, encompassing societal peace (including work to reduce violence and inequalities within the United States), international peace (focusing on ending wars, terrorist acts, unequal distribution of resources, and other infringements on human rights and dignity worldwide), and environmental peace (involving work on sustainable resources, global warming, and response to natural and human-made disasters). Students can enroll in internships classes and become involved with projects and program on campus focused on war and peace concerns, social justice, and environmental responsibility.

Related Programs

Combined

- Psychology/International Affairs (BS/MA) (<https://catalog.luc.edu/undergraduate/accelerated-bachelors-masters-program/psychology-international-affairs-bama/>)

Curriculum

The Peace, Justice and Conflict Studies Minor consists of six courses (18 credit hours). All students must complete PAX 201 Peace Studies Overview, which provides a comprehensive summary of the international, societal, and ecological spheres of violence and peace.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Course		
PAX 201	Peace Studies Overview	3
International Conflict and Peacemaking		3
Select one of the following:		
CLST 281	War and War Experience, Ancient and Modern	
COMM 231	Conflict Management and Communication	
HIST 334B	The Holocaust: History and Memory	
HIST 338A	History of European Communism	
HIST 341B	Arab-Israeli Conflict	
PLSC 102	International Relations in an Age of Globalization	
PLSC 326	American National Security	
PLSC 353	International Law	
PLSC 356	Intervent in World Politics	
PLSC 364	UN & International Organization	
PLSC 367	Model United Nations	
PLSC 368	Politics of the Middle East	
Societal Violence and Conflict Resolution		3
Select one of the following:		
ANTH 100	Globalization and Local Cultures	
ANTH 321	Human Rights in Latin America	
COMM 227	Social Justice & Communication	
COMM 272 / ANTH 231	Intercultural Communication	
COMM 231	Conflict Management and Communication	
COMM 307	Communication & Social Movements	
COMM 322	Guerilla Media	
CJC 345	Social Justice and Crime	

CJC 371	Victimology	
CJC 372	Race, Ethnicity, and Criminal Justice	
CJC 377	Psychology and Law	
HIST 381	Rebels & Reformers in U.S. History	
SOCL 121	Social Problems	
SOCL 122	Race and Ethnic Relations	
SOCL 127	Social Analysis and Social Action	
SOCL 222	Poverty & Welfare in America	
SOCL 250	Inequality in Society	
SOCL 252	Global Inequalities	
SOCL 261	Social Movements & Social Change	
SOCL 265	Globalization & Society	
PSYC 225	Psychology of Peace	
SOCL 216	The Sociology of Violence	
THEO 203	Social Justice and Injustice	
Environmental Violence and Ecological Concerns		3
Select one of the following:		
ANTH 104	The Human Ecological Footprint	
COMM 306	Environmental Advocacy	
ENGL 288	Nature in Literature	
ENVS 218	Biodiversity & Biogeography	
ENVS 224	Climate & Climate Change	
ENVS 273	Energy and The Environment	
ENVS 283	Environmental Sustainability	
ENVS 284	Environmental Justice	
ENVS 345	Conservation and Sustainability of Neotropical Ecosystems	
ENVS 350A	Solutions to Environmental Problems: Water	
PHIL 287	Environmental Ethics	
PLSC 354	Global Environmental Politics	
PLSC 392	Environmental Politics	
SOCL 272	Environmental Sociology	
THEO 186	Global Religious Ethics	
THEO 204	Religious Ethics and the Ecological Crisis	
General Electives ¹		6
Total Hours		18

¹ Students may fulfill the general elective requirement by taking any two of the cross-listed courses in the three program areas of International Conflict and Peacemaking, Societal Violence and Conflict Resolution, and Environmental Violence and Ecological Concerns. In addition, students may choose to fulfill the general elective requirement by taking one of the three PAX Courses: PAX 390 Directed Readings in Peace Studies, PAX 397 Special Topics in Peace Studies, and PAX 398 Practicum in Peace Studies.

Suggested Sequence of Courses

An individual student's completion of requirements depends on course offerings in a given term as well as the start term for the minor. Students should consult the Peace, Justice, and Conflict Studies director for assistance with course selection.

Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate an ability to analyze, interpret, or describe two strategies of peacemaking.
- Interpret, analyze, and describe important contemporary of at least two global concerns (e.g., the environment, war, inequity and poverty, human rights).
- Demonstrate historical knowledge of some distinguished national and international leaders in peacemaking.
- Interpret and analyze and describe at least two global ecological concerns (e.g., the environment, war, inequity and poverty, human rights).
- Demonstrate an ability to analyze or describe the significance of the major core categories and discussions in the field of peace and justice studies.