

# PEACE AND CONFLICT STUDIES CERTIFICATE

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The certificate in Peace and Conflict Studies is an interdisciplinary program that examines the causes of violent conflict; mechanisms and models for dealing with violent conflict; and norms, practices, and institutions for building a just and sustainable peace. The Peace and Conflict Certificate prepares students to think critically in the midst of geopolitical complexities like war, genocide, human rights abuses, and injustices based on various forms of discrimination. The program combines theoretical rigor with theological, moral, and ethical reflection on topics related to conflict, war, peace, justice, and reconciliation.

## Requirements

Requirements for a Certificate in Peace and Conflict Studies are 24-26 hours of coursework according to the following distribution. Students from all majors are eligible to receive a certificate in Peace and Conflict Studies.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Core Requirements</b>		<b>16-18</b>
<i>Introduction</i>		4
PACS 201	Introduction to Peace and Conflict	
<i>Ethics</i> <sup>1</sup>		2-4
Select one of the following:		
B EC/PHIL 328	Business Ethics	
BIOL/PHIL 304	Bioethics	
BIOL 319	Introduction to Environmental Ethics	
BITH 375	Christian Ethics	
IR 327	Ethics & Foreign Policy	
PHIL 205	Ethics & Society	
PHIL/PSCI 349	Christian Political Thought	
PSCI 343	Political Ethics	
<i>Reconciliation</i> <sup>1</sup>		2-4
COMM 367	Reconciliation & Conflict Resolution	
or IR 359	Forgiveness and Political Reconciliation	
URBN 371	Race, Class, and Justice	
<i>Senior Capstone</i>		2
PACS 494	Senior Seminar in Peace and Conflict Studies: Peace, Reconciliation, and Justice	
<i>Internship or Practicum/Experiential</i>		4
PACS 496	Internship <sup>2</sup>	
<b>Electives</b>		<b>8</b>
Select 8 credits (see list) <sup>3</sup>		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>24-26</b>

<sup>1</sup> Students must complete one Ethics course and one Reconciliation course that must total 6 hours of coursework.

<sup>2</sup> Internships must be substantively related to themes of Peace and Conflict Studies and pre-approved by the director. Internships for other majors may count for Peace and Conflict Studies.

<sup>3</sup> Four of the elective credit hours must come from courses outside the student's declared major.

**Electives (8 hours)** Electives for the Peace and Conflict Studies Certificate cover two major topical areas: Sources and Nature of Violence (SNV) and Avenues of Peace, Justice, and Reconciliation (PJR). These foci are consonant with two major areas of conflict and peacebuilding and will help prepare students to pursue fields and post-graduate studies in areas such as community development, international development, and conflict mediation. Four of the elective course hours must come from courses outside the student's major.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Electives</b>		
ANTH 319	Colonialism and Redemption: Native American Culture and Theology from 1492 to Wounded Knee (SNV/PJR)	2
ANTH 353	Culture and Difference (PJR)	4
ANTH 432	Violence and Peace in Latin America (SNV/PJR)	4
ANTH 435	Power and Gender in Southeast Asia (SNV)	4
ARTS 314	Community Art I (PJR)	3
ARTS 316	Community Art II (PJR)	3
BITH 338	Genesis 1-11 (SNV/PJR)	2
BITH 351	Jesus Of Nazareth (PJR)	4
CFM 224	Christian Spiritual Practices (PJR)	2
CFM 339	Compassion and Crisis Ministry: Responding to Trauma and Suffering (PJR)	4
COMM 223	Communication and Gender (PJR)	2
COMM 253	Messages, Influence, and Culture (SNV/PJR)	4
COMM 367	Reconciliation & Conflict Resolution (PJR)	2
ECON 347	Urban Economics (SNV)	4
ECON 362	Wealth & Poverty of Nations (SNV)	4
ECON 365	Development Economics (PJR)	4
ECON 378	Economics of Labor & Poverty (SNV/PJR)	4
ENGW 333	Writing for Social Change (PJR)	4
ENVR 221	Living in the Environment: An Introduction to Environmental Science (PJR)	4
ENVR 315	Nature, Environment & Society (SNV)	4
ENVR 325	The Global Commons: International Issues in Environmental Science (SNV/PJR)	4
ENVR 381	Environmental Pollution and Toxicology (SNV)	4
GERM 431	"Other" Germans: Turkish and Minority Experience (SNV/PJR)	4
GERM 432	The Holocaust and Contemporary Jewish Experience (SNV/PJR)	4
GPS 304	Journeys across Cultures and Societies in the Middle East	3
GPS 316	Introduction to Modern Middle East	3
GPS 317	Palestinian Society and Politics	3
GPS 319	Society and Politics in the Holy Land: Palestinian and Israeli Perspectives	3
GPS 323	Islamic Thought and Practice	3
GPS 331	Jewish Thought and Practice	3

GPS 332	Historical and Social Settings of Modern Israel	3
GREK 332	Homer's Iliad (SNV)	4
HIST 348	Revolutionary Europe (1789-1870) (SNV)	4
HIST 349	Origins of Contemporary Europe (1870-1950) (SNV)	4
HIST 356	The American Revolution (SNV/PJR)	4
HIST 357	The American Civil War (SNV/PJR)	4
HIST 361	The Global Cold War (SNV)	4
HIST 374	Nazi Germany (SNV)	4
IR 315	Politics of Global Development (SNV/PJR)	4
IR 325	Justice Among the Nations (PJR)	4
IR 348	Middle East Politics (SNV)	4
IR 359	Forgiveness and Political Reconciliation (PJR)	4
IR 375	Globalization (SNV/PJR)	4
IR 378	U.S. Foreign Policy (SNV/PJR)	4
MSCI 211	American Military History (SNV)	2
PHIL 241	Suffering (SNV)	4
PHIL 251	Global Justice (PJR)	4
PSCI/URBN 385	Urban Politics (SNV)	2
PSYC 235	Cross-Cultural Psychology (PJR)	2
PSYC 241	Social Psychology (SNV/PJR)	4
SOC 337	Racial and Ethnic Relations (SNV/PJR)	4
SOC 341	Social & Political Movements (SNV/PJR)	4
SOC 347	Gender & Society (SNV/PJR)	4
SOC 355	Social Class & Inequality (SNV)	4
SOC 367	Crime & Delinquency (SNV)	4
SOC 385	Social Change in Latin America (PJR)	4