



PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

MINOR

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Peace and Conflict Resolution is an interdisciplinary Minor with most of its courses drawn from the Social Sciences. The courses introduce students to the processes of understanding and changing social conditions in order to lead to a more peaceful, just and conflict free society and world.

We find that war and oppression are subject to study and to change, and the university is an appropriate setting for the study and pursuit of alternate means of resolving conflicts.

The Minor complements a number of majors, including many in the Humanities, Social Sciences, and Professional Schools.

FEATURES

A philosophy basic to the emerging study of Peace and Conflict Resolution is praxis, the creative combination of analysis and action. Students in the program are encouraged to develop the knowledge base, skills, and political courage necessary for effective leadership in a democratic society.

The program's faculty are widely published and active in a number of fields related to peace and conflict resolution. Peace research in the U.S. is a recently developed field. In the study of Peace and Conflict Resolution we use a broad and inclusive definition of research.

The goal of the program is to educate adults to be responsible and courageous citizens, and, if the students choose, to become professional peace workers. To achieve this end we practice an inter-disciplinary approach, drawing upon courses and faculty in several academic areas including Anthropology, Communications, Economics, Education, Government, Environmental Studies, Ethnic Studies, Journalism, and Women's Studies.

MINOR REQUIREMENTS

Total units required for Minor: 21

- (9) Select three of the following:
 - ANTH 105* Anthropology of War
 - COMS 119* Conflict Resolution
 - ENVS 112* International Environmental Problems
 - GOVT 132* War, Peace in the Nuclear Age
 - JOUR 171* War, Peace & the Mass Media
- (12) Four elective courses selected from Peace and Conflict Resolution Studies courses with advisor approval. Courses taken as part of the specified core may not be counted toward the electives. No more than 6 units may be applied from a single academic discipline.

FACULTY

Coordinator: William Dorman

Clifford E. Anderson, *Philosophy*; Robert Curry, John Henry, *Economics*; William Dorman, *Journalism*; Ron Fox, *Government*; John McFadden, *Education*; Valerie Wheeler, *Anthropology*; Angus Wright, *Environmental Studies*

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