PEACE AND CONFLICT STUDIES (PAX)

Courses

PAX 200. Introduction to Peace and Conflict Studies. 3 Credits.
An interdisciplinary inquiry into the nature and causes of social conflict. The aim throughout is to find ways of avoiding destructive conflict, whether through negotiation or other means. The issue of justice as a factor in conflict receives special attention.
Gen Ed Attribute: Interdisciplinary Requirement.
Typically offered in Fall & Spring.

PAX 201. Global Perspectives. 3 Credits.
This course is intended to help students develop the competencies needed for the understanding of, and meaningful participation in, the world issues of the 1990s.
Typically offered in Fall.

PAX 370. Israel, Palestine, Power and Peace. 3 Credits.
Hands-on learning about conflict strategy, negotiation, and non-violent resistance, in the context of in-depth study of the history, dynamics and prospects for the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. In an intensive workshop format, students conduct negotiations with each other, and strategize alternatives to negotiation, such as settlement-building, protests, blockade-running and war. Course includes significant readings, exercises using blogs and Twitter, a final paper-style resolution proposal. Includes a field trip to Washington, D.C. for briefings by experts on the contemporary course of the conflict.
Pre / Co requisites: PAX 370 requires prerequisite: PAX 200.

PAX 400. Peace & Conflict Studies Seminar. 3 Credits.
This course is a capstone experience for Peace and Conflict Studies students to solidify and integrate their study of social justice, activism, international relations and negotiation and conflict theory with real world experience. Students will examine and review the various theoretical insights of the discipline, get hands on experience with conflict resolution in the real world, and integrate the insights gleaned from both practical and classroom learning into an overarching model of conflict management to be developed over the course of the semester.
Typically offered in Spring.