

PEACE AND CONFLICT STUDIES, UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE

The Peace and Conflict Studies Undergraduate Certificate is premised on the notion that helping people work together to creatively manage conflict will result in more peaceful and just societies, locally and internationally.

Building peace in our community, nation, and world will depend on our ability to work well together to solve problems and pursue opportunities. The Certificate aims to help students build the foundation in these essential skills and is open to students majoring in any field who wish to explore the meaning of peace, including human welfare and quality of life, as well as the resolutions of different types of political, economic, or social conflicts.

The certificate can enhance the resume of students going into social work, education, public administration, law, healthcare, international affairs, human resources and global business. The program is interdisciplinary combining coursework from fields such as social sciences, health sciences, humanities, and more.

Certificates are similar to minors in terms of credit requirements but draw on coursework from multiple fields of study rather than from a single department.

Eligibility

The Peace and Conflict Studies Undergraduate Certificate is open to all students seeking a bachelor's degree from UWM, to students who previously have received a bachelor's degree from UWM or any other accredited college or university, and to those who do not plan to pursue a college or university degree (non-degree students) but who have a strong interest in this subject. To be admitted to the University as non-degree students, individuals must meet regular University admission requirements. The program leading to the certificate is open to students majoring in any field.

Requirements

A student must complete 18 credits in the program. At least 9 credits must be in advanced courses (300 level and above), and at least 9 credits must be completed at UWM. A 2.500 GPA average is required in the certificate. Students interested in the Peace and Conflict Studies Undergraduate Certificate should consult with the coordinator or their advisor to add the certificate and outline a program of study.

The Peace and Conflict Studies Certificate consists of three areas: Core (3 credits); Fieldwork (3 credits); and Elective Coursework (12 credits), as outlined below:

Code	Title	Credits
Required Core:		
PEACEST 203	Introduction to Peace and Conflict Studies	3
Required Fieldwork: Can be fulfilled in one of three ways: ¹		3
Internship		
Study Abroad		
Independent Study		

Electives	12
Total Credits	18

¹ The purpose of this requirement is to enable the student to engage in peace studies through "practical" experience or research. The student should be engaged in the "practice of peace" through community service, conflict identification and education, environmental awareness, governmental politics, or social change. The area of study must be approved by the coordinator of the peace studies certificate and must meet the requirements of the department through which it is being completed. The fieldwork requirement may be fulfilled in one of three ways: an internship, study abroad, or independent study.

Electives

Students are encouraged to construct an area of concentration from their elective credits. Suggested areas of concentration may be geographic and/or thematic, such as:

- World regions and countries
- World religions and practices
- Conflict resolution skills
- International relations
- Sustainable development
- Peace studies/education
- Environmental studies
- Social change/social justice
- Economic development

Select at least four 3-credit courses. A maximum of 9 credits (3 courses) may be taken in any one department. The list below includes recommended electives and is not exhaustive. Course offerings change from year to year. Students should consult with their advisor or the certificate Coordinator.

Code	Title	Credits
AFRIC 265	Psychological Effects of Racism	3
AFRIC 300	Urban Violence	3
AFRIC 322	Order and Disorder: The Quest for Social Justice	3
AFRIC 344	Global Black Social Movements	3
ANTHRO 150	Multicultural America	3
CES 210	Introduction to Conservation and Environmental Science	3
CES 461	The Politics and Policy of Sustainability	3
CHPS 245	Client Diversity in Health Sciences: An Interdisciplinary Perspective	3
COMMUN 350	Intercultural Communication	3
COMMUN 363	Communication in Human Conflict ¹	3
COMMUN 365	Negotiation Skills Workshop	3
COMMUN 450	Cross-Cultural Communication	3
COMPLIT 232	Literature and Politics:	3
COMPLIT 360	Seminar in Literature and Cultural Experience:	3
CRM JST 310	Race, Crime, and Criminal Justice	3
CRM JST 592	Critical Issues in Criminal Justice: (Restorative Justice)	1-3
ECON 353	Economic Development	3

ED POL 111	Introduction to Community Action and Change	3	NURS 575	Global Health: Ethics and Human Rights	3
ED POL 114	Community Issues, Policies, and Solutions	3	NURS 620	Global Food Security and Systems	3
ED POL 520	Peace Education	3	PEACEST 460	Systems Thinking, Mapping, and Sustainability	3
ED POL 521	Nonviolence in Education	3	PEACEST 462	Conflict Transformation: Negotiation and Mediation Skills	3
ED POL 579	Current Topics in Cultural Foundations of Education: (Antiracist Education)	1-6	PEACEST 470	Conflict Analysis and Restorative Practices	3
ENGLISH 150	Multicultural America	3	PEACEST 471	Facilitation Skills for Peacebuilding	3
ENGLISH 404	Language, Power, and Identity	3	PH 142	Exploring Global Environmental Health	3
ETHNIC 102	Transnational Migrations: People on the Move	3	PH 303	Climate Change, the Environment and Human Health	3
ETHNIC 375	Global Violence, Disease, and Death	3	PH 319	Introduction to Health Disparities	3
FILM 150	Multicultural America	3	PHILOS 244	Ethical Issues in Health Care:	3
FRSHWTR 392	Water, Energy, Food, and Climate	3	PHILOS 303	Mind and Knowledge	3
FRSHWTR 461	Politics and Policy of Sustainability	3	PHILOS 355	Political Philosophy	3
GEOG 114	Geography of Race in the United States	3	PHILOS 475	Special Topics in Indian Religious Thought: (Gandhi and Nonviolence)	3
GEOG 125	Introduction to Environmental Geography	3	POL SCI 316	International Law	3
GEOG 333	Muslim Geographies: Identities and Politics	3	POL SCI 328	The Arab-Israeli Conflict	3
GEOG 443	Cities of the World: Comparative Urban Geography	3	POL SCI 337	International Organization and the United Nations	3
GLOBAL 101	Introduction to Global Studies I: People and Politics	3	POL SCI 340	Politics of Nuclear Weapons	3
GLOBAL 361	Environment and Sustainability	3	POL SCI 359	Problems of American Foreign Policy	3
GLOBAL 371	Rethinking Global Security	3	POL SCI 361	History of International Political Thought	3
GLOBAL 442	Humanitarianism in Global Perspective	3	POL SCI 365	Theories and Methods in International Politics	3
GLOBAL 447	The Global Politics of Human Rights	3	POL SCI 370	International Conflict	3
GLOBAL 451	Access, Security, and Intercultural Contexts in Global Communications	3	POL SCI 371	Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict	3
GLOBAL 461	The Politics and Policy of Sustainability	3	POL SCI 379	Morality, Conflict and War	3
GLOBAL 471	Strategies for Realizing Security in Global Contexts	3	PSYCH 230	Social Psychology: Psychological Perspectives	3
HIST 150	Multicultural America	3	SOCIOL 233	Social Inequality in the United States	3
HIST 248	The First World War	3	SOCIOL 325	Social Change	3
HIST 262	North American Indian History to 1887	3	SOCIOL 343	Collective Behavior	3
HIST 271	The 1960s in the United States: A Cultural History	3	SOCIOL 350	Environmental Sociology	3
HIST 282	The Modern Middle East in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries	3	THEATRE 204	Theatre and Social Change	3
HIST 287	The Vietnam War	3	URBPLAN 141	Urban Planning Solutions to Contemporary Urban Problems	3
HIST 363	Germany: Hitler and the Nazi Dictatorship	3	URBPLAN 350	Social Justice, Urban Planning and the New Urban America	3
HIST 364	The Holocaust: Anti-Semitism & the Fate of Jewish People in Europe, 1933-45	3	URB STD 150	Multicultural America	3
HIST 387	Modern Africa	3	WGS 201	Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies: A Humanities Perspective	3
HIST 392	The History of Southern Africa	3	WGS 401	Global Feminisms	3
HMONG 265	Hmong Americans: History, Culture, and Contemporary Life	3			
JEWISH 261	Representing the Holocaust in Words and Images	3			
LATINX 101	Introduction to Latino Studies	3			
NURS 101	Cultural Diversity in Health Care	3			