

PEACE AND JUSTICE STUDIES MINOR

Director

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Objectives

The Peace and Justice Studies program seeks to embody the mission of the University, ever more important in light of the “just peace” movement that Pope Francis recently endorsed. As such, the Peace and Justice Studies minor seeks to ensure that students gain knowledge in three key areas of peace and justice as well as practically applying that knowledge through an engaged learning experience. Within the three main areas (Peace and Conflict; Social, Environmental, Economic, and Legal Justice; and Ethical Approaches), students may choose from a variety of courses that relate to their chosen fields of interest and emphasis, drawing from programs such as Political Science, History, Theological Studies, Philosophy, Economics, Sociology, and a number of other departments.

Peace and Justice Studies Learning Outcomes

Peace and Justice Studies minors will:

1. Be knowledgeable of the historical contributions made by peacemakers in the past, and assess their contributions to continued thought in Peace and Justice Studies;
2. Be able to analyze complex systematic issues of injustice, conflict and oppression from multiple disciplinary perspectives;
3. Understand ethical issues of peace and justice; and
4. Possess a commitment to social justice and non-violence.

Minor Requirements

Code	Title	Semester Hours
PJST 1000	Introduction to Peace and Justice Studies	4
Select four courses from the following three areas: ¹		16
Peace and Conflict		
Social, Environmental, Economic and Legal Justice		
Ethical Approaches		
Total Semester Hours		20

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at least one course in each area. One of the 5 courses must include an engaged learning course, or a student must do a peace and justice-related internship (see Director).

Courses

Code	Title	Semester Hours
PJST 1000	Introduction to Peace and Justice Studies ¹	4
Peace and Conflict		
AFAM 4642	Sex, Race, and Violence	4
HIST 2300	Red, White, and Black: Race in Colonial America	4
HIST 3600	Conflict and Genocide in Africa	4

HIST 4273	Nazi Germany	4
HIST 4432	American Reform Movements	4
HIST 4540	The Palestine/Israel Conflict	4
HIST 4620	South Africa	4
JWST 4350	The History and Psychology of the Holocaust and Genocide: Perspectives on Power	4
POLS 3410	Politics of Africa	4
POLS 3440	Politics in the Middle East	4
POLS 3620	International Security	4
POLS 3630	Peace and Reconciliation	4
POLS 3650	United States Foreign Policy	4
CMST 3430	Culture, Crime, and Punishment	4

Social, Environmental, Legal, and Economic Justice

AFAM 1211	Introduction to African American Studies	4
CATH 3752	Contemplatives in Action: Psychology, Spirituality, Liberation	4
CATH 4998	Special Studies (when taken as Pacifism and Peace Movements)	1-4
EVST 3998	Special Studies (when taken as Women and Environmental Justice)	1-4
FTVS 3310	Film/Media and Social Justice	4
JWST 4370	Nazi Germany and Questions of Conscience	4
POLS 3230	Courts, Law, and Society	4
POLS 3320	Social Movements	4
POLS 3340	Urban Politics	4
POLS 3350	Elderly and the Law	4
POLS 5360	Gender and the Law	4
POLS 5720	Comparative Human Rights	4
PSYC 3019	African and Black Psychology	4
PSYC 3998	Special Studies (when taken as Liberation Psychologies)	1-4

PSYC 4033	Community Psychology	4
SOCL 3250	Health and Social Justice	4
SOCL 3341	Politics, Faith, and Civic Engagement	4
SOCL 3390	Work and Economic Justice	4
SOCL 4100	Criminal Justice	4
SOCL 4103	Social Psychology and the Law	4
THST 3752	Contemplatives in Action: Psychology, Spirituality, and Liberation	4
WGST 2000	Women in Global Communities	4
WGST 3200	Gender, Race, and Environmental Justice	4

Ethical Approaches

CATH 3563	Love and Justice	4
PHIL 3100	Ethics	4
PHIL 3110	Environmental Ethics	4
PHIL 3150	Contemporary Moral Problems	4
PHIL 3165	Philosophy of Law	4
PHIL 3998	Special Studies (when taken as Philosophy from the Periphery)	1-4
POLS 3010	Classical and Christian Political Theory	4
POLS 4030	Punishment and Mercy	4
POLS 5710	International Affairs and Social Justice	4
POLS 5730	Ethics and Peacebuilding	4

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THST 3260	Thinking Well, Doing Right	4
THST 3286	Religion and (Non) Violence	4
THST 3560	Punishment and Mercy	4
THST 3563	Love and Justice	4
THST 3564	Ethics and Justice in Dante's Inferno	4
THST 3998	Special Studies (when taken as Prisons and People)	1-4

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Other courses may be approved at the discretion of the Director.