

# PEACE & JUSTICE STUDIES / BACHELOR OF ARTS

Total Credit Hours: 120

Major Credit Hours: 36

## Peace and Justice Studies

Peace and Justice Studies (PJS) is an interdisciplinary program housed in the Department of Religious & Theological Studies through which students acquire knowledge and skills of interfaith and intercultural just peacebuilding in order to create beloved community. PJS students practice the art of peacebuilding through community engagement in ways that are intentionally self-reflective, anti-racist and evolving.

## Major

Eighteen credits of interdisciplinary core courses situate PJS majors in the theory, practices and art of just peacebuilding. Students learn to embrace the dignity of difference within communities and, in relationship, perceive injustices in need of transformation. Five Pathways have been identified for students to focus their elective course selections (18 credits) while remaining flexible to complement students' unique personal and professional aspirations. Those pathways are – conflict transformation; restorative/transformational justice; human rights and equitable development; women/gender equity and inclusion; and interfaith/ intercultural bridgebuilding.

## Interdisciplinary Program

Enriched by faculty in a variety of disciplines, this program promotes examination of calls to justice as prerequisite to peace. Partner disciplines within the PJS program include: Art and Design; Communications; Education; English Studies; Environmental Science; History; Justice, Law and Public Safety Studies; Music; Philosophy; Physics; Political Science; Psychology; Religious & Theological Studies; Social Work; Sociology; and Theatre.

## Careers

Careers in Peace and Justice Studies include, but are not limited to – negotiation, mediation, political office, legislative reform, education, community organizing, human rights advocacy, environmental protection, interfaith dialogue, law, victim/offender advocacy, and restorative justice.

## Requirements

Total Hours: 36

## Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses</b>		<b>18</b>
THEO 25000	Foundations of Peace and Justice Studies	
THEO 26700	Practicing Faithful Justice	
POLS 32700	Mediation 1	
SOCI 27000	Social Movements and Social Change	
UNIV 30601	Community Engaged Learning Leadership Seminar	
THEO 45000	Capstone: Peace and Justice Studies Seminar	
<b>Electives in Peace &amp; Justice Studies</b>		<b>18</b>

Select an additional 18 credit hours from a variety of Peace & Justice Studies courses. Electives must represent at least two different disciplines within the pathway options listed in addition to Religious & Theological Studies. The specific choice of pathway is discerned with the advice and consent of an advisor from the Peace & Justice Studies program. Please refer to the University Course Schedule for specific offerings each semester.

### Select one interpersonal, spiritual, and/or familial peacebuilding course:

COMM 21100	Interpersonal Communication
CSJS 28600	Domestic Violence
ECED 32000	Child, Family, Culture and Community
PHIL 22500	Philosophical Issues in Race and Gender
PSYC 21300	Lifespan Development
PSYC 24000	Psychology of Women
PSYC 32000	Abnormal Psychology
EDUC 25000	Foundations of Educational Psychology
THEO 20100	Modern Christian Spirituality
THEO 23500	Sexuality, Spirituality, and Relationships
THTR 27100	Acting 1
THTR 29100	Improvisation 1

### Select two or three local, regional, and/or systemic peacebuilding courses:

ARTS 23500	Social Responsibility for Graphic Designers
COMM 21600	Small Group Communication
COMM 34900	Organizational Communication
CSJS 26000	Juvenile Justice System
CSJS 28000	Multicultural Issues in Criminal Justice
CSJS 32900	Mediation 2
CSJS 44000	Social Policy and Social Justice
ENLE 44200	Introduction to Cross Cultural Studies for Teachers of English Language Learners
PHIL 23000	LGBTQ Rights and Issues I
PHIL 36500	African American Philosophy
POLS 10000	Politics and Civic Engagement
POLS 32900	Mediation 2
PSYC 28500	Cross-Cultural Psychology
PSYC 36000	Social Psychology
PSYC 37300	Organizational Leadership
SCWK 20900	The Welfare State and Social Welfare Policy
SCWK 21500	Cultural Humility and Social Power
SCWK 25100	Human Behavior in the Social Environment II
SPED 22300	Disability Studies in Education
SPED 25700	Exceptional Learners in Inclusive Communities
SOCI 25500	Social Problems
SOCI 26500	Community Sociology
SOCI 34500	Youth, Justice, and Society
SOCI 35000	Criminology
SOCI 36000	Violence and Peace
SOCI 41000	Urban Sociology
THEO 28300	Islam in America
THEO 28500	Theologies of Liberation
THEO 30000	Lasallian Community and Social Action

**Select two or three national, multinational, and/or global peacebuilding courses:**

BIOL 23300	Principles of Environmental Science
BIOL 37500	Issues in Environmental Science
COMM 35000	Intercultural Communication
ENGL 33500	U.S.-Latino Literature
ENGL 33600	Latin American Literature
ENGL 34600	Ethnic and Immigrant Literatures
ENGL 34700	Native American Literature
ENGL 34800	African American Literature
ENLE 21000	Education Around the World
HIST 33100	A History of the U.S. Military
HIST 33400	African-American History I
HIST 33600	Native American History
HIST 33700	Immigration, Ethnicity, and Race in American History
HIST 33800	U.S. Women's History
HIST 35000	History of the British Empire
HIST 35300	The Middle East in History
HIST 35500	History of the Modern Middle East
HIST 35600	The Vietnam War
MUSC 11550	Sex, Race, and Power in Pop Music
PHIL 35500	Philosophy of Rights
PHYS 10800	Energy and Society
POLS 30400	Nonviolent Political Action
POLS 32800	Model United Nations
POLS 33300	International Human Rights
POLS 33400	Political Violence
POLS 33600	American Foreign Policy
POLS 33700	International Topics
POLS 36500	Women and Politics
POLS 36800	Non-Western Political Thought
POLS 38400	Environmental Politics
PRLG 33000	Immigration Law for Paralegals
SOCI 10800	Introduction to Women's Studies
SOCI 21000	U.S.-Mexico Border Experience
SOCI 27000	Social Movements and Social Change
SOCI 35500	Sustainable Communities
SOCI 37000	Sociology of Gender
SOCI 40500	Murder and Mayhem
SOCI 41500	Social Inequalities
THEO 23600	Women and Religion
THEO 26200	The Qur'an and the Bible
THEO 26800	Christian Social Teaching
THEO 26801	Christian Social Teaching Travel Study
THEO 28100	Global Christianity
THEO 28400	Introduction to Islam
THEO 29700	Methods of Interfaith Dialogue
THEO 29800	World Religions
UNIV 20001	Interdisciplinary Seminar: From Dystopias to Utopias: Imagining and Creating Better Worlds

One world language course may be applied to the major with advisor consent.