

# PEACE STUDIES

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**T**he current state of world affairs makes the study of peace an urgent need. From discord in the Middle East to gang wars in the United States, people are using violence as a way of addressing conflicts. Scholars and religious leaders have attempted to teach lessons of peace for thousands of years, but there is still much work to be done.

Loyola University Chicago's minor in peace studies illustrates our promise of preparing people to live extraordinary lives. Students at Loyola are educated in the Jesuit Catholic tradition, and are encouraged to use their knowledge to go out and make the world a better place. The peace studies minor focuses on the areas of international peacemaking, societal violence, conflict resolution, environmental violence, and ecological concerns. Students acquire a broad understanding of the challenges facing humanity today and learn how to work in an informed manner toward achieving world peace.



*Picturesque Lake Shore Campus, situated on the shore of Lake Michigan and located on Chicago's North Side, is home to more than 3,400 undergraduate resident students.*

## THE MINOR

The peace studies minor is organized around a broad definition of peace, encompassing societal peace (including work to reduce violence and inequities within the United States), international peace (focusing on ending wars, terrorist acts, unequal distribution of resources, and other infringements of human rights and dignity worldwide), and environmental peace (involving work on sustainable resources, global warming, and response to natural and human-made disasters). Students can enroll in practica or internship classes, participate in peace-related research projects, write a senior thesis on peace, or become involved with the many peace activities at Loyola.

Completing a minor in peace studies facilitates active and informed participation in working for peace. Recent graduates with peace studies minors have gone on to work for Emily's List (a group that funds women politicians), volunteered for the Jesuit Corp to work in the jails of New Orleans, and applied to the Peace Corps.

## Requirements

The peace studies minor consists of six courses (18 credit hours) completed with a grade of "C" or better. All students must complete Peace Studies (PAX) 201: Peace Studies Overview, which provides a comprehensive summary of the international, societal, and ecological spheres of violence and peace, along with methods of analysis and strategies for reconciliation and peacemaking.

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## Requirements [continued]

Students must also complete one course from each of the following areas:

- International Conflict and Peacemaking
- Societal Violence and Conflict Resolution
- Environmental Violence and Ecological Concerns

Finally, students must complete two elective peace studies courses in an individual area of interest.

## Course Offerings

*Peace Studies (PAX)*

- 201** Peace Studies Overview  
**390** Directed Readings in Peace Studies  
**397** Special Topics in Peace Studies  
**398** Practicum in Peace Studies

## Selected Cross-Listed Courses

The following is a list of some courses cross-listed with other departments and programs. For a complete listing of cross-listed courses, visit [LUC.edu/peace](http://LUC.edu/peace). To review full course descriptions, see the listings of the originating departments (in parentheses). Other topic and theme courses are cross-listed when appropriate.

### INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT AND PEACEMAKING

- 102** International Politics (Political Science, PLSC 102; International Studies, INTS 257)  
**231** Communication and Conflict (Communication Studies, CMUN 231)  
**280** Holocaust in Word and Film (Theology, THEO 180, variable topic; RCS 252)  
**285** Action and Value: War and Peace (Philosophy, PHIL 285, variable topic)  
**293** Moral Problems: War and Peace (THEO 192, variable topic; RCS 292)  
**322** Arab-Israeli Conflict (History, HIST 322; INTS 322)  
**327** American National Security Policy (PLSC 326)  
**330** America and Modern War (PLSC 330)  
**353** International Law (PLSC 353, INTS 353)  
**356** Intervention in World Politics (PLSC 356, INTS 356)  
**358** War, Peace, and Politics (PLSC 358, INTS 358)  
**364** United Nations and International Organizations (PLSC 364, INTS 364)  
**367** Model United Nations (PLSC 367, INTS 367)  
**387** Rebels and Reformers in U.S. History (HIST 381; Black World Studies, BWS 388; Women's Studies and Gender Studies, WSGS 303)

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### SOCIETAL VIOLENCE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

- 121** Social Problems (Sociology, SOCL 121)  
**122** Race and Ethnic Relations (SOCL 122; BWS 122; Asian Studies, ASIA 122)  
**218** Intercultural Communication (CMUN 218; Anthropology, ANTH 231; INTS 213)  
**227** Social Justice and Communication (CMUN 227)  
**250** Inequality in Society (SOCL 250, BWS 250, ASIA 250)  
**289** Society in Literature (English, ENGL 289, selected sections)  
**290** Human Values in Literature (ENGL 290, selected sections)  
**291** Sociology of Violence (SOCL 216)  
**295** Gender, Race, and Class in U.S. History (HIST 295, WSGS 299)  
**331** Media, Politics, and Propaganda (CMUN 330, INTS 331)  
**332** Liberation Theology (THEO 330, INTS 330, RCS 330)  
**337** Rhetoric of Social Change: Agitation and Resistance (CMUN 337; Latin American Studies, LASP 337)

### ENVIRONMENTAL VIOLENCE AND ECOLOGICAL CONCERNS

- 272** Environmental Sociology (SOCL 272; Environmental Science, ESP 272)  
**273** Energy and the Environment (Natural Science, NTSC 273; ESP 273)  
**281** Human Impact on the Environment (NTSC 281, ESP 281)  
**282** The Human Environment (NTSC 282, ESP 282)  
**288** Nature in Literature (ENGL 288; ESP 288, selected sections)  
**294** Moral Problems: The Ecology Crisis (THEO 192, variable topic; ESP 293; RCS 292; ESP 398)  
**329** Environmental Advocacy (CMUN 329, ESP 329)  
**354** Global Environmental Politics (PLSC 354, ESP 354, INTS 354)

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