

**JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
MA (Monsoon Semester) Course**

Course No. IS526N; Course Title:
Introduction to Peace and Conflict Resolution

Course Instructor:
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This course aims to introduce students to the origins, concepts, theories, perspectives and dynamics of the major guiding visions that have evolved as integral part of Peace and Conflict Resolution studies discourse. This will also provide students with common language and precision in their understanding and skills for examining the dimensions, obstacles and opportunities in peace and to equip them with critical thinking on conflict resolution and provide appropriate examples and references for future explorations.

Teaching time: 3hrs per Week

Evaluation: Class participation, assignments, mid-semester/end Semester examinations

COURSE OUTLINE

Origins and Development of Peace and Conflict Studies

Phases, Pioneers and Traditions

Basic Concepts of Peace and Conflict

Peace keeping, Peace Making, Peace Building, Peace Enforcement
Conflict Resolution, Conflict Management, Conflict Settlement, Conflict Prevention,
Conflict Regulation, Conflict Transformation

Sources of Conflict

Material, ideational and others

Theories of Peace and Conflict

Typologies – Inter-State and Internal Conflicts
Contending theories & Perspectives – e.g. Liberal, Marxist, Gandhian, Nehruvian, Feminist

Dynamics of Peace and Conflict

Conflict Cycles and Mapping
Escalation, De-escalation, Intractability

Strategies of Peace Making

Actors – Institution, Individuals, and State
Approaches – Facilitation, Mediation, and Arbitration
Processes – Negotiations

Durability of Peace

Conditions of Peace, Post-Conflict Peace Building, Creating Institutions and Norms

List of Readings

Books

Azar, Edward E., *The Management of Protracted Social Conflict: Theory and Cases* (Aldershot: Dartmouth, 1990).

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Lederach, John Paul, *Building Peace: Sustainable Reconciliation in Divided Societies*, (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2004).

Lorentzen, Lois Anne and Jennifer Turpin, eds., *The Women and War Reader*, (New York: New York University Press, 1998).

Miall, Hugh, Ramsbotham and Woodhouse, Tom, *Contemporary Conflict Resolution: The Prevention, Management and Transformation of Conflicts* (Cambridge: Polity Press, 1999).

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Parekh, Bhikhu, *Gandhi's Political Philosophy: A Critical Examination*, (London: 1989);

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Reardon, Betty A., *Women and Peace: Feminist Visions of Global Security*, (New York: State University of New York Press, 2003)

Vayreinen, Raimo, Dieter Senghaas and Christian Schmidt (eds.), *The Quest for Peace: Cultures and States* (California: Beverly Hills, 1987)

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Caprioli, Mary (2000): "Gendered Conflict", *Journal of Peace Research*, Vol. 37, no. 1 (2000)

Fox, Jonathan (2001): "Two Civilizations and Ethnic Conflicts: Islam and the West", *Journal of Peace Research*, Vol. 38, no. 4, (2001)

Galtung, Johan 'On the Meaning of Non-Violence', *Journal of Peace Research*, vol.2, no.3, 1965, pp.228-257.

Huntley, Wade L. 'Kant's Third Image: Systemic Sources of the Liberal Peace', *International Studies Quarterly*, vol.40, no.1, March 1996, pp.45-76.

Patomaki, Heikki 'The Challenge of Critical Theories: Peace Research at the Start of the New Century', *Journal of Peace Research*, vol.38, no.6, 2001, pp.723-737.

Pearson, Frederic S. (2001): "Dimensions of Conflict Resolution in Ethno-political Disputes", *Journal of Peace Research*, Vol. 38, no. 3, Sage, pp 275-287.

Takeshi, Ishida, "Beyond the Traditional Concepts of Peace in Different Cultures", *Journal of Peace Research*. No. 2 (1969)

Weber, Thomas 'Gandhian Philosophy, Conflict Resolution Theory and Practical Approaches to Negotiation', *Journal of Peace Research*, vol.38, no.4, 2001, pp.493-513.

Websites

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Conflict Resolution, Research and Resource Institutes: <http://www.cri.cc>

Institute for Conflict Analysis and Resolution,: <http://www.web.gmu.edu/departments/ICAR>

Malaviya Centre for Peace Research, <http://www.mcpr-bhu.com>

The Institute for International Mediation and Conflict Resolution: <http://www.iimcr.org>

Institute for Conflict Management, India: <http://www.satp.org>

Berghof Research Center for Constructive Conflict Management: <http://www.berghof-center.org>

European Centre for Conflict Prevention: <http://www.euconflict.org>