

Peace and Conflict Studies (PEAC) 320: Conflict Resolution
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Course Objectives

1. An examination and understanding of the basic conflict resolution literature.
2. An examination of and practice in using processes critical to success in conflict settlements.
3. An integration of several disciplines (anthropology, communication studies, economics, history, peace studies, political science, psychology, and sociology) in the study of conflict and its resolution.
4. An increase in the understanding of personal conflicts.
5. An increase in the repertoire of ways to deal with conflict.
6. An increased ability to effectively handle personal conflicts.
7. A better understanding of several human groups as a means to overcome barriers between persons.
8. An increased ability to help others reconcile their differences.
9. A better understanding of interpersonal violence and structural/institutionalized violence.
10. An increased understanding of and appreciation for the use of nonviolent methods in working with conflict and/or justice issues.

Course Texts

1. Roger Fisher and William Ury. Getting to Yes: Negotiating Agreement Without Giving In. Houghton Mifflin Company, 1991.
2. William Ury. Getting Past No: Negotiating Your Way From Confrontation to Cooperation. Bantam Books, 1993.