



Conflict Resolution & Peace Studies

Bridging Disciplines Programs allow you to earn an interdisciplinary certificate that integrates area requirements, electives, courses for your major, internships, and research experiences.

The Conflict Resolution and Peace Studies BDP offers you the opportunity to both study and promote conflict resolution in interpersonal, institutional, societal, and global contexts. Students in this program will explore the causes and consequences of various forms of violence, as well as the conditions of peace. In exploring peaceful alternatives to violence, you will learn to understand peace as a multi-faceted vision for transformed human relations. In addition to gaining a more sophisticated understanding of peace and conflict, you will also learn about and practice skills necessary for the peaceful resolution of conflicts.

Students in the Conflict Resolution and Peace Studies BDP might choose to focus on a wide range of topics, from disarmament to interpersonal and cross-cultural communication to political, religious, and social pluralism. Along with the opportunity to pursue their specific interests, all students in this BDP will gain a perspective for analyzing situations involving conflict, and for understanding how these situations can be resolved and how transforming these situations might improve lives.

Upon completion of **19 credit hours** from the options listed to the right, you will earn a certificate in Conflict Resolution & Peace Studies.

The Conflict Resolution and Peace Studies BDP is overseen by a panel of faculty members from across campus. Members include Minette Drumwright (Advertising), Joe Cutbirth (Communications Studies), Rasha Diab (Rhetoric and Writing), John Dzienkowski (Law), Mike Findley (Government), Diane Ginsburg (Pharmacy), Linda Golden (Marketing), John Luk (Medical Education), Robert Prentice (Information, Risk, and Operations Management), Lawrence Schooler (Communication Studies), Scott Stroud (Communication Studies), Sean Theriault (Government), Randolph Wilt (Management), and Paul Woodruff (Philosophy).

The Bridging Disciplines Programs offer interdisciplinary certificates in the following areas:

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| Children & Society | Human Rights & Social Justice |
| Conflict Resolution & Peace Studies | Innovation, Creativity & Entrepreneurship |
| Design Strategies | Museum Studies |
| Digital Arts & Media | Patients, Practitioners & Cultures of Care |
| Environment & Sustainability | Public Policy |
| Ethics & Leadership in Business | Smart Cities |
| Ethics & Leadership in Health Care | Social Entrepreneurship & Non-profits |
| Ethics & Leadership in Law, Politics & Government | Social Inequality, Health & Policy |

For more information about the Bridging Disciplines Programs, go to www.ugs.utexas.edu/bdp or email us at bdp@austin.utexas.edu. Follow us on instagram: @ut_bdp

Foundation Courses (4-7 Credit Hours)

Foundation courses introduce key methodologies and issues related to Conflict Resolution & Peace Studies. **Choose one course from the Forum Seminar category, and either one or two courses from the Skills Foundation Courses category.** If you complete two Skills Foundation Courses, you will only be required to complete one Connecting Experience.

I. Forum Seminar

BDP 101: Conflict Resolution & Peace Studies

II. Skills Foundation Courses

CLD 320: Facilitative Leadership
 CMS 310K: Team-Based Communication
 CMS 333: Case Studies In Argumentation
 CMS 354: Conflict Resolution
 EDP 316: Intergroup Dialogue

LAH 350: Fnds of Intercul Competncy (Restricted to Liberal Arts students eligible for LAH courses)
 MAN 336: Organizational Behavior
 MAN 337: Art And Science Of Negotiation
 MAN 337: Intercultural Management
 RHE 330C: Nonviolent Communication
 S W 360K: Perf Of Theatre For Dialogue

Connecting Experiences (3-6 Credit Hours)

Your BDP advisor can help you find internships and research opportunities that connect Conflict Resolution & Peace Studies to your major. We call these opportunities "Connecting Experiences" because they play such an important role in integrating your studies. Each Connecting Experience counts for 3 credit hours. **You will need to complete at least one Connecting Experience.** If you complete two Connecting Experiences, you will only be required to complete one Skills Foundation Course.

For more information and for examples of past Connecting Experiences, visit www.utexas.edu/ugs/bdp and consult your BDP advisor.

Strand Courses (9 Credit Hours)

In addition to your Foundation Courses and Connecting Experiences, you must complete 9 credit hours of strand courses drawn from two or more of the following concentrations. You should work with your BDP advisor to choose strand courses that will focus your BDP on your specific interests, and that will provide you with an interdisciplinary perspective on your BDP topic. In order to create an interdisciplinary experience, you must choose courses from a variety of disciplines. Individual course listings for these concentrations are located on the opposite side of this page.

Global Conflict Resolution
Interpersonal Conflict Resolution

Institutional Conflict Resolution
Societal Conflict Resolution

Integration Essay

In order to complete your BDP certificate, write a 3-4 page integration essay in which you reflect on what you learned and accomplished through your BDP experience. This essay is your opportunity to draw connections among your interdisciplinary BDP coursework, your Connecting Experiences, and your major. For additional guidelines, please consult your BDP advisor.

Complete 9 credit hours of strand courses drawn from two or more of the following concentrations. Please speak with your BDP advisor about your plan for fulfilling your strand course requirements.

Note that only one of your strand courses may come from your major department(s), or from courses cross-listed with your major department(s).

Global Conflict Resolution

ANS 340V: Religions In Contact
ANS 361: 24- The Two Koreas and the US
ANT 320L: Cross-Cul Comm In Middle East
BDP 319: Human Rights And Social Justice: Theories and Practices
GOV 360F: Global Governance
GOV 365L: War/Peace: China/Japan/Taiwan
GOV 365N: Relg Ethics Human Rights
GOV 365W: Human Rights And World Politics
GOV 366F: Iss Third-World Development
HIS 346T: Cuban Revolution & The US
IRG 301: Intro Intl Rels & Global Stds
J S 365C: Multicultural Israel
M E 379M: Iss in Humanitarian Engr-Fra
MEL 323: Engaging The Middle East
MES 342: Youth/Violence Mid East/Eur
RHE 309K: When Topic Is Appropriate
RHE 309K: Rhetoric of Human Rights
SPN 355R: East/West/New Wrld Encntrs

Societal Conflict Resolution

AAS 335: Migration Crisis
AFR 315N: The Black Power Movement
AFR 317D: MLK Jr: A Moral Obligation
AFR 360F: Urban Unrest
AFR 370: Race and Social Policy
ANT 326L: Cultures in Contact
BGS 370: Behv Intrv Entrpr Man Plcy Mkr
CMS 340K: Communication and Social Change
CMS 345P: Communication & Public Opinion

Societal Conflict Resolution (Continued)

CMS 355K: Intercultural Communication
CMS 356C: Collective Action
E 314L: Banned Books and Novel Ideas
GOV 371D: Race Policing Incarceration
HIS 317L: 18-Immigration and Ethnicity
HIS 356P: The US in the Civil Rights Era
J 358N: Online Incivility
LAS 324L: Cultures in Contact
RS 307: Intro to interrelig Dynamics
RHE 309K: When Topic is Appropriate
RHE 330D: Arguing with Conservatives
RHE 330E: Reacemaking Rhetoric
S W 325: Foundations of Social Justice
S W 360K: Confronting LGBTQ Oppression
(Must be admitted into Peers for Pride program)
SOC 307L: Gender/Race/Class Amer Soc
SOC 307P: Intro Sociology of Health/Well-Being

Interpersonal Conflict Resolution

CMS 334K: Nonverbal Communication
CMS 344K: Lying And Deception
CMS 345P: Communication & Public Opinion
CMS 357: Family Communication
CMS 358: Communication And Personal Relationships
HDF 337: Personal Relationships
HED 370K: Foundations of Peer Support and Social Wellness
J 358N: Online Incivility
MAN 337: Art And Science Of Negotiation
RHE 309K: When Topic Is Appropriate
RHE 330E: 6-NonArgumentatv Rhet in Zen
S W 360K: Perf of Theatre For Dialogue
SOC 308L: Socl Transformatn Of Love/Rels
T D 357T: Theatre For Dialogue: Exploring Interpersonal Violence

Institutional Conflict Resolution

ALD 331: Restorative Practices
HDO 330: Cultural Competence In Orgs
MAN 336: Organizational Behavior
MAN 337: 3-Intercultural Management
PHL 325N: Organizational Ethics
RHE 309K: When Topic is Appropriate
SOC 325L: Sociology of Criminal Justice

Important Notes on Fulfilling Your BDP Requirements

- **PREREQUISITES:** Some courses may have prerequisites. Please consult your BDP advisor to determine your eligibility for enrolling in specific courses.
- **CROSS-LISTINGS:** Note that many courses on this list may be cross-listed with other departments. You may take these courses under any of the cross-listed numbers. Please consult the course schedule or your BDP advisor for cross-listing information.
- **GRADES AND GPA REQUIREMENTS:** In courses taken for a letter grade, you must obtain a grade of C- or better to meet BDP requirements. The cumulative GPA of all courses counting toward your BDP certificate must be at least 2.0.
- **PASS/FAIL:** Only one BDP course, including connecting experience courses, may be taken pass/fail. Any exceptions will be considered by the faculty panel on an individual basis.
- **SIGNATURE COURSES:** Many of the First-Year Signature Courses (UGS 302 and UGS 303) that include significant content related to Conflict Resolution & Peace Studies may also count toward your certificate; please consult your BDP advisor for more information.
- **PETITIONS:** You may be able to count courses toward your BDP certificate that do not appear on this curriculum sheet, if enough of the course content relates to your BDP topic. Please consult your BDP advisor if you would like to petition for a course to count toward your BDP.