

## Peace and Conflict Studies

<http://www.pacificu.edu/as/peace/>

Peace and Conflict Studies is housed in the Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work Department. The department offers the following majors and minors:

Major in Sociology  
Major in Anthropology-Sociology  
Major in Social Work  
Major in International Studies

Minor in Sociology  
Minor in Anthropology  
Minor in Comparative Religion  
Minor in Peace and Conflict Studies

Students interested in completing a minor in Peace and Conflict Studies should speak with any faculty member in the department or Ellen Hastay, Direct of the Center for Civic Engagement.

The Peace and Conflict Studies (PACS) program and curriculum evolved from student and faculty interest and concern. Students may elect a minor in PACS. Courses are taught by faculty from six departments. They investigate the causes and manifestations of violence in self, in society, and in the world of nations, and they explore alternatives to violent resolutions of conflict. Students are encouraged to develop a closely reasoned philosophical position on peace and conflict that can have lifelong application.

Many PACS courses are cross-listed in other departments (see the college catalog for specifics). As a result, some of these courses have specific prerequisites separate from other PACS courses. Most PACS courses have no prerequisite and are open to all students. PACS 101 is not a prerequisite for other PACS courses, but it is encouraged for students interested in studying peace and conflict. While many PACS courses include some out-of-classroom component, PACS 105 (Field Experience), 230 (Navajo Service Learning), and 305 (Advanced Service Learning) are especially focused on service learning and field experience.

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