The Peace and Justice program has served the University mission for three decades by focusing on diverse traditions of social justice, ideals of peaceful relations, and training students in methods of conflict prevention and peacemaking. The program was inspired by liberation theology, the civil rights movement of the 1950s and 1960s, and philosophies of nonviolence and citizen activism; its goals today are grounded in the global human rights movement and shaped by the UN's Millennium Development Goals for poverty relief. Peace and Justice courses cover a wide range of domestic and international issues, from criminal justice reform, urban renewal, and economic inequality within the United States to global environmental sustainability, causes of war, the responsibility to prevent atrocities, and religion’s role not only as a source of conflict, but also as a resource for building a global human community united by common respect for the divine potential in each individual.

Main Program Themes Include:

- War and Weapons Proliferation
- Causes of Conflict, Prevention, and Peaceful Resolution
- International Governance & the Responsibility to Protect (R2P)
- Social, Racial, and Gender Equality
- Economic and Environmental Justice
- Religion, Peace and Conflict
- Democracy and New Media
- Development Human Rights and Global Humanitarianism
- Community Organizing for Justice and Peace

Courses: In addition to our Introductory and capstone courses, the Peace & Justice program includes courses from many departments across the University, such as Sociology, Philosophy, Political Science, Theology, Humanitarian Affairs, Communications, Anthropology, Environmental Studies, and Business (e.g. Sustainable Business courses). Here is a small sample:

- AFAM 3148 History of South Africa
- COMM 3110 Peace, Justice and the Media
- ECON 3240 World Poverty
- ENGL 3460 Romanticism and Revolution
- HIST 4851 Reform Protest and War: The Morality of Violence in 20th Century America
- HUAF 4000 Humanitarian Action
- PHIL 3713 Human Rights and Global Governance
- PHIL 3109 Environmental Ethics
- POSC 3418 Islamic Political Thought
- POSC 3508 Politics of Humanitarianism in Africa
- PSYC 3600 Multicultural Issues
- SOCI 3456 Modern American Social Movements
- SOCI 3154 Political Sociology
- SOCI 3601 Urban Poverty
- THEO 3848 Theology of Liberation
- THEO 4005 Women and Theology

*Peace & Justice is an interdisciplinary program which includes many amazing courses that fulfill Fordham’s core requirements in the Global Studies and American Pluralism categories, as well as many electives in humanities and social science majors.*
Peace & Justice Studies is a new Minor as of Fall 2015: The minor involves a thematically-connected sequence of six courses and two further credits linked to experiential learning. These include:

- **Introduction to Peace and Justice Studies** (PJST 3110) – stand-alone course at RH; co-listed with another introductory course at LC.
- **Resolving Conflict and Building Justice** (or a similar approved capstone course on social justice movements & conflict resolution);
- Four electives chosen among the crosslisted courses (i.e. electives with the PJ attribute). Ideally these should include at least one peace-focused course and one justice-focused course.
- **Engaged Learning components** (including experience outside the classroom and beyond the university). Students should complete at least two units in "Peace & Justice practice," e.g.:  
  (a) an Integrated Service Learning course (all students involved in service work);  
  (b) Dorothy Day Center Interdisciplinary Seminar with service (1 credit add-on to course);  
  (c) approved Global Outreach trips; or Casa de la Solidaridad prog. (El Salvador), or Ubuntu program (South Africa), or other approved study abroad (e.g. CIEE Capetown).  
  (d) a Day Center workshop, such as "Undoing Racism," or Ignatian Teach-In trip;  
  (e) an approved internship in a community or non-governmental organization (1-credit);  
  (f) an approved Social Innovation practicum or internship with peace and/or justice links.  

Two of these options involve formal course credit: option (b) involve a 1-credit service-learning course added onto a regular course (whose instructor proctors the 1-credit); the student normally writes a paper on the implications of her or his experience for social justice issues and problems of peacemaking. Option (e) requires signing up with a faculty mentor to proctor a 1-credit or 2-credit tutorial in conjunction with the internship; for the course credit, the student writes a paper on his/her work and the significance of the organization where the internship takes place.

**Service Learning and Social Innovation:** These hands on learning experiences allow students to apply ideas gained from courses taken within the minor. They draw on many of Fordham’s service-oriented resources, including

- a well-established and set of opportunities for service learning in the greater New York City area, facilitated by the award-winning Dorothy Day Center;
- several university-wide and program-based opportunities for educational travel to destinations around the world that are significant for global justice and peace issues.
- Fordham’s designation, in May 2014, as a Changemaker University by the Ashoka Foundation for Social Innovation. The new Fordham Social Innovation Collaboratory (FSIC) is sponsoring a range of events and programs, including speakers, themed practica, competitions, and a new group for students interested in working with community partners on social improvements (FICSIT) see: [www.fordham.edu/info/21420/social_innovation_collaboratory](http://www.fordham.edu/info/21420/social_innovation_collaboratory)

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And see our new webpage for more info: [http://faculty.fordham.edu/davenport/peacejustice.html](http://faculty.fordham.edu/davenport/peacejustice.html)