GLOBAL PEACE, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND JUSTICE STUDIES

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Program Scope

As its title demonstrates, the Global Peace, Human Rights, and Justice Studies Minor is closely aligned with the mission and core values of SF State. We live in a world fraught with warring and ecological devastation and threatened by the frequent failure of governmental and financial powers to fashion just and effective solutions. Yet there are historical and contemporary examples of individuals, groups, and countries working productively and creatively within and across national boundaries to stop violent conflicts, form affirmative alliances, and ensure that basic rights and freedoms are available to all.

Global Peace, Human Rights, and Justice Studies is an all-university, interdisciplinary minor in which students and faculty cooperatively study and explore the problems, issues, challenges, and opportunities to prevent war and to make this a more just, peaceable, and sustainable world.

Career Outlook

The Minor in Global Peace, Human Rights, and Justice Studies provides critical thinking collaborative, and problem-solving skills relevant to students whatever their major course of study. These are the skills for analyzing and redressing the underlying roots of violence and injustice, including poverty, racism, sexism, heterosexism, cissexism, neoliberalism, imperialism, and environmental degradation. These are the skills that empower people to work more effectively to protect human rights and create systems of social justice.

Centers

The Global Peace, Human Rights, and Justice Studies Program works cooperatively with others in developing internships, sponsoring programs and conferences, and engaging in other educational projects in pursuit of peace and justice.

The Institute for Civic and Community Engagement (ICCE)
ICCE provides opportunities for civic engagement and leadership development at San Francisco State University for students, faculty, and community members. Through innovative courses, experiential learning, political engagement, participatory action research, and direct services, we partner the resources and expertise of the urban university with the knowledge and assets of diverse communities. Working locally, statewide, nationally, and internationally, we cultivate strong leaders who will effectively advocate for social, economic and educational inclusion, and fully participate in the civic life and political processes of their communities.

Public Research Institute
PRI draws upon the expertise of scholars on the SF State campus and in other academic institutions to conduct research in public health, public services and policies, and on strategies for disseminating data and social science methods to neighborhoods and communities.

Meiklejohn Civil Liberties Institute, Berkeley, California
Since 1965 the institute has been providing information on law and history to scholars, activists, and the media; and working for jobs, justice, and peace.

Events

Every year this program organizes an Annual Human Rights Summit. Students are encouraged to participate in this event and may enroll in ANTH 699 or COMM 699, or another internship of their choice, to earn credit for their work, with the consent of the instructor.

All course work used to satisfy the requirements of the minor must be completed with a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

Global Peace, Human Rights, and Justice Studies, Minor — 21–26 units

Core Requirements (6–7 units)

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<td>GPS/I R/PHIL 315</td>
<td>Introduction to Global Peace Studies</td>
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Select a second core course with an advisor 3-4 units

Conflict Resolution (3–4 units)

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International Law and Organizations (3–4 units)

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<td>International Organizations: New World Order</td>
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Philosophies of Peace and Non-Violence (3 units)

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Electives (6–8 units)

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<td>COMM 564</td>
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<td>COMM 573</td>
<td>The Rhetoric of Criminality and Punishment</td>
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GPS/PHIL 375  Peace Law and Human Rights in the U.S. (Units: 3)
Prerequisites: Successful completion of GE Areas A1, A2, A3, and B4; one lower-division composition course; or consent of the instructor.

Law of peace from the local to the international level; international treaties, covenants, statutes of Congress, legislatures, and city councils, criminal indictments, court affidavits, judges opinions, jury instructions, and relevant articles.
(This course is offered as GPS 375 and PHIL 375. Students may not repeat the course under an alternate prefix.)
Course Attributes:
• UD-D: Social Sciences
• Global Perspectives
• Social Justice

HIST/JS 317  The Holocaust and Genocide (Units: 3)

HIST 428  History of the United States Since 1945 (Units: 3)

HIST 464  American Ethnic and Racial Relations to 1890 (Units: 3)

HIST 465  American Ethnic and Racial Relations II: 1890-Present (Units: 3)

HIST 428  History of the United States Since 1945 (Units: 3)

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HUM 366  India’s Gandhi (if not taken in the core) (Units: 3)

IR 330  World Law (Units: 4)

IR 334  International Organizations: New World Order (if not taken in the core) (Units: 4)

IR 432  Model United Nations (Units: 4)

IR/PLSI 544  Women in the World (Units: 4)

PHIL 435  Human Rights in Global Perspective (if not taken in the core) (Units: 3)

PLSI 552  Individual Rights and the Constitution (Units: 4)

PSY 547  Social Conflict and Conflict Resolution (Units: 3)

SOC 461/USP 515/GEOG 667  Ethnic Relations: International Comparisons (Units: 4)

ANTH 699  Independent Study (maximum of 3 units total) (Units: 3)
or COMM 699  Independent Study (Units: 3)

The following electives are available for field study or internship, on advisement:

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<td>PHIL 680</td>
<td>Field Project in Philosophy</td>
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<td>WGS 698</td>
<td>Work Study in Feminist Projects</td>
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GPS 315 Introduction to Global Peace Studies (Units: 3)
Prerequisites: Successful completion of GE Areas A1, A2, A3, and B4; one lower-division composition course; or consent of the instructor.

The field of peace studies and the integrative questions which must be answered to achieve a coherent perspective on world peace. National and international issues, the environment, philosophy, literature, arts, media, and education.
(This course is offered as GPS 315, I R 315, and PHIL 315. Students may not repeat the course under an alternate prefix.)
Course Attributes:
• UD-C: Arts and/or Humanities
• Environmental Sustainability
• Global Perspectives
• Social Justice