

Course Code: SDS2DS204

Title: Peace, Conflict and Development

Type of Course: Elective

Programme Title: MA in Development Studies

No of Credits: 4

Semester and Year Offered: Third Semester/Second Year

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Pre-requisites: NA

Aim: This course aims to discuss peace, conflict and development from an interdisciplinary perspective. There are different approaches to lens conflict, the conflict mapping exercise taken up in the course is to let students visualise and clarify conflicts from their own perspective and concentrate on detailing of relationships and consequence of conflicts .It aims to help understand the interplay of macro and micro conflicts, including resource conflicts. It takes up discourses of security, violence, protests and resistance for critical analysis. It shall discuss various approaches of conflict management, resolution, transformation and study activism towards building peace, focusing on gender mainstreaming. Drawing analogy to the above dimensions, this course shall rely largely on empirical understanding, analysing cases from India and other parts of the world.

Brief description of modules/ Main modules:

Topics to be covered are the following-

- Interdisciplinary Approaches to Peace, Conflict and Development
- State and Internal Conflicts
- Understanding Violence
- Resistance, and Protests
- Resource Conflicts and Development
- Conflict Mapping
- Human Security
- Peace Building and Conflict Transformation
- Gender and Peace Activism

Assessment Details with weights:

- Literature Review (30% weightage, in mid-September)
- Exam (30% weightage, in mid-October)
- Term Paper – Conflict mapping/Case Study (40%, mid-November)

Reading List (Indicative):

Kaldor, Mary (2013): "In Defense of New Wars" in *Stability*, Vol 2. No.1. pp 1-16.

Murshed, S. Mansoob (2002): "Conflict, Civil War and Underdevelopment: An Introduction" in *Journal of Peace Research*, Vol 39. No.4. pp 387-393.

Sen, Amartya (2008): "Violence, Identity and Poverty" in *Journal of Peace Research*, Vol 45. No.5. pp 5-16.

Baviskar, Amita ed.(2008): *Contested Grounds: Essays on Nature, Culture and Power* [selected chapters] (New Delhi: Oxford Publications)

Uyangoda, Jayadev (2000):"Nation-State, Security Studies and the Questions of Margins in South Asia" in Dipankar Baneerjee ed. *Security Studies in South Asia: Changes and Challenges* (Delhi: Manohar) pp.15-23.

Bunch, Charllottee (2004): "Peace, Human Rights and Women's Peace Activism" in Radhika Coomaraswamy and Dilrukshi Foneska ed. *Peace Work: Women, Armed Conflict and Negotiation* (New Delhi: Women Unlimited), pp.28-53.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE:

Jacoby, Tim (2008): 'Dimensions' in *Understanding Conflict and Violence: Theoretical and Interdisciplinary Approaches* (London and New York: Routledge), pp. 18-33.

Guttman, Matthew C. (1993): "Rituals of Resistance: A Critique of the Theory of Everyday Forms of Resistance" in *Latin American Perspectives*, Spring, Vol 77. No.20. pp 74-92.

Muniruzzaman, ANM (2014): "Human Security in South Asia: Vision 2025" in *Peace and Security Review*, First Quarter, Vol 6. No.11. pp. 23-55.

Bavinck, Maarten, Pellegrini, Lorenzo and Mostert, Erik ed. (2014): *Conflicts over Natural Resources in the Global South: Conceptual Approaches*(London: Taylor & Francis Group)

Mac, Ginty (2013): "Indicators+: A Proposal for Everyday Peace Indicators", *Evaluation and Program Planning* 36, pp.56–63.

Ohlsson, L. (2000). *Livelihood Conflicts - Linking poverty and environment as causes of conflict* (Working Paper No. 10525), Sweden: Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency. <https://www.staff.ncl.ac.uk/david.harvey/AEF806/OhlssonLivelihoods.pdf>. accessed on 10.04.15.
