



FACULTY OF ARTS

## CONFLICT RESOLUTION STUDIES

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**This program explores the nature and dynamics of human conflict and looks at appropriate alternatives for dealing with conflict in ways that develop healthy relationships and prevent violence.**

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Conflict Resolution Studies is a joint program offered through the cooperation of The University of Winnipeg and Menno Simons College, which is located on the University campus. Conflict Resolution Studies prepares students to understand and interact constructively in response to personal, local, and global conflict situations. Topics include violence, power, justice, peace, communication, and dispute resolution.

Conflict Resolution Studies is an interdisciplinary program that allows you to customize your university education to fit your educational and career goals. A Major in Conflict Resolution Studies can be combined with a Major in another area of study such as Psychology, Business, Politics, Religious Studies, Sociology, Criminal Justice, or International Development Studies.

Senior students learn to apply academic theory and skills to “real world” situations through the practicum program. Students volunteer in a supervised work placement within the structure of a local, national, or international organization and gain practical work experience related to their program of study.

This program leads to a **Bachelor of Arts degree (3-year or 4-year)**. Students taking an undergraduate degree in another Major may choose to add a Minor in Conflict Resolution Studies as a secondary area of interest.

**Menno Simons College (MSC)** is a college of the Canadian Mennonite University. It is also affiliated with The University of Winnipeg and coordinates programming with several UWinnipeg departments. Conflict Resolution Studies degrees are conferred by The University of Winnipeg.

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### SAMPLE CAREERS

Graduates of Conflict Resolution Studies will find their skills and knowledge valued in many contexts such as Mediation, Counselling, Education and Training, Child and Family Services, Law Enforcement, Government, Non-Governmental Organizations, Business, and Law.

### SAMPLE COURSES

**Introduction to Conflict Resolution Studies** is a first-year course designed to develop an understanding of the roots and nature of human conflict, responses to conflict, and constructive ways to deal with conflict. Topics include coaching, mediation, negotiation, communication skills, and international peace building. This course is the gateway to all other Conflict Resolution Studies courses.

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**Conflict and Culture** is a second-year course that explores the relationship between culture and conflict, examines cultural differences in response to conflict, as well as the nature and origins of conflict between and among cultures. Special attention is given to inter-ethnic conflict.

**Trauma & Violence** is a third-year course that explores the causes, dynamics, and consequences of violence. Students engage with research in crisis theory and learn practical skills for crisis first aid and longer-term community interventions.

### **MORE SAMPLE COURSES**

- Restorative Justice
- Coaching and Mediation Skills
- Workplace Conflict Resolution
- Legal Systems and Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Women and Peacemaking
- Nonviolent Social Change
- Human Rights and Conflict Resolution

### **SAMPLE FIRST YEAR**

**CRS-1200(6) Introduction to Conflict Resolution Studies**

**RHET-1105(3) Academic Writing:** Multidisciplinary or any other section of Academic Writing (if required)

**6 credit hours Humanities**

**15 credit hours Electives,** depending on interest.

***NOTE:** This sample first year is representative of the courses you may take. For many of our programs, you may choose another set of courses and still be well on your way to a degree. Also, for most programs you do not have to take 30 credit hours (five full courses) in your first year.*

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***“The CRS program at Menno Simons College is amazing! The program offers students a well-rounded and realistic view of conflict and how to solve it in our ever-changing world.”***

- Caitlin MacHutchon

4-year BA, double major in Conflict Resolution Studies and International Development Studies

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### **REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES**

You must meet The University of Winnipeg's general admission requirements. No specific courses required.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

For details on application requirements and deadlines, and to apply online, please visit: [uwinnipeg.ca/apply](http://uwinnipeg.ca/apply)

For more information contact a student recruitment officer at [welcome@uwinnipeg.ca](mailto:welcome@uwinnipeg.ca) or 204.786.9844. In any case where the University's Academic Calendar and this fact sheet differ, the current Calendar takes precedence.

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