

COURSE DETAIL

PEACEKEEPING, PEACEBUILDING AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

Country

Italy

Host Institution

University of Bologna

Program(s)

University of Bologna

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

International Studies

UCEAP Course Number

164

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

PEACEKEEPING, PEACEBUILDING AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

UCEAP Transcript Title

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UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course is part of the Laurea Magistrale degree program and is intended for advanced level students. Enrollment is by permission of the instructor. The course provides students with tools to analyze the practice of conflict resolution, especially as emerged after the end of the Cold War, through a review of key theories, concepts, and practices of international interventions aimed at peacekeeping and peacebuilding. At the end of the course, the student is able to: Identify and distinguish the different approaches to peacekeeping and interventions; discuss the empirical aspects of international interventions, identifying strengths and weaknesses of different types of action; connect different practices of peacekeeping and peacebuilding with changes in the international system and foreign policies. This is a course based both on lectures and students' participation and active engagement in class discussions and exercises. Its success depends on students being well prepared for each session.

It is divided into 2 main parts. The first section (16 hours) introduces students to the key theoretical and analytical tools necessary to understand and critically evaluate the practice of conflict management and resolution – including the post-settlement peacebuilding phase – and its evolution. It discusses the main peace intervention doctrines and the challenges encountered in their implementation. It presents and discusses the role of the key actors (above all states and international organizations) in different cases.

The second part of the course (12 hours) takes into consideration some contemporary cases. Students apply concepts and theoretical tools to the analysis of Afghanistan, Iraq, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Northern Ireland, Syria, and Ukraine. For this part students are divided into two groups and attend one of the two weekly lectures (thus, as a whole students will attend a total of 28 hour of classes). Students are required to read the material in advance of the class meetings and be ready to engage with both the instructor and their peers.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

93549

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Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

BOLOGNA

Host Institution Faculty**Host Institution Degree**

LM in INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Host Institution Department

POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

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