

PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT STUDIES, MINOR (0027)

Western Sydney University Minor Code: 0027

Previous Code: SM1102.1

Available to students in other Western Sydney University

Programs: Yes. Check that your program has the available credit points required to complete the subjects in this field of study. Any requisite requirements must also be met. Consult your Program Advisor for further advice.

The Peace and Development Studies minor is concerned with methods for promoting peace, human rights and sustainability. It involves a critical analysis of inequalities of power and opportunity that lead to international and local conflict, social dislocation and environmental degradation. Students will examine the structural causes of racist and gendered violence, environmental crises, forced migration, poverty, resource conflict and inter-generational inequity. The inter-related network of solutions includes empowerment and self-determination, sustainable living, constructive development, peacemaking and peace building. These require understanding of the theories and method for identifying, measuring and resolving conflict and environmental degradation. The assumptions and failings of traditional development practice are critically assessed. Students will engage social theory within an interdisciplinary and applied framework, at local, national and international levels. The major is comprised of three fields:

1. structural inequality, social justice & human rights;
2. development and sustainability;
3. peace and humanitarian responses/actions.

Location

Campus	Mode	Advice
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Internal	Dr Melissa Phillips (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/melissa.phillips@westernsydney.edu.au)
Penrith Campus	Internal	Dr Melissa Phillips (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/melissa.phillips@westernsydney.edu.au)

Minor Structure

Subject	Title	Credit Points
Select four of the following:		40
Autumn Session		
HUMN 1028	Human Rights, Peace and Development	
HUMN 2032	Issues in World Development: Rich World, Poor World	
HUMN 3077	Sustainable Futures	
Spring Session		
HUMN 1015	Development and Sustainability	
HUMN 2037	Peace-Making and Peace-Building	
CULT 3016	Indigenous Cultures: A Global Perspective	
HUMN 3009	Alternatives to Violence	

HUMN 3063 Peace & Development Project

Total Credit Points

40

Related Programs

Bachelor of Psychological and Social Sciences (1910) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-psychological-social-sciences/>)

Bachelor of Social Science (1667) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-social-science/>)

Bachelor of Tourism Management (1664) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-tourism-management/>)

Diploma in Social Science/Bachelor of Social Science (6023) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/diploma-social-science-bachelor-social-science/>)