

# 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 ( <a href="https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/melissa.phillips@westernsydney.edu.au">https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/melissa.phillips@westernsydney.edu.au</a> ) |
| Penrith Campus                    | Internal | Dr Melissa Phillips ( <a href="https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/melissa.phillips@westernsydney.edu.au">https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/melissa.phillips@westernsydney.edu.au</a> ) |

## Minor Structure

| Subject                       | Title   | Credit Points |
|-------------------------------|---|---------------|
| Select four of the following: |   | 40            |
| <b>Autumn Session</b>         |   |               |
| HUMN 1028                     | Human Rights, Peace and Development                 |               |
| HUMN 2032                     | Issues in World Development: Rich World, Poor World |               |
| HUMN 3077                     | Sustainable Futures                                 |               |
| <b>Spring Session</b>         |   |               |
| 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/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-psychological-social-sciences/>)

Bachelor of Social Science (1667) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-social-science/>)

Bachelor of Tourism Management (1664) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-tourism-management/>)

Diploma in Social Science/Bachelor of Social Science (6023) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-social-science-bachelor-social-science/>)