

summer course

Health, Peace & Human Rights

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Aimed at:

Undergraduate students, graduate students, and professionals with experience accompanying communities in peace-building processes

Health, Peace, and Human Rights

The work for peacebuilding, in all its dimensions and in all its scales, is a work for the respect, protection and fulfillment of human rights. Peace, from this perspective, is an aspiration and a possibility to build material and symbolic conditions to lead a life worthy of being lived; for the dignity of all forms of life.

The occurrence of collective actions for peace on a “small scale” is related to the work of the communities themselves that, victimized by violence, organize to appropriate their daily needs, and undertake local alternatives in order to face their adversities. The general slogan of these processes, as expressions of peace, is the defense of life, territory and dignity and in them emerge initiatives for organization, participation, education, health, food, the resources of the territory, knowledge and traditions; which are, as a whole, political, cultural, environmental and economic struggles. These expressions aiming peacebuilding, in general, contribute to protecting life, alleviating the impact of conflict and strengthening community organization.

The training offered by this course is a disciplinary, ethical, political and aesthetic bet, which problematizes conflicts and peace(s), with emphasis on the right to health, understood from a broad and critical approach associated with well-being, to the extent that it constitutes a determining right for the protection of life, which is the center of collective actions for peace that are undertaken in contexts affected by violence.

The time we live in demands more humane and empathetic generations, who recognize that health is at the center of peacebuilding actions. This is why this initiative offers a journey between theory, experience and practice by the relationship between health and peace; conflicts, violence and its transformative potential and the ways of conceiving and building dignity, and the possible future; allowing participants to build knowledge (conceptual and methodological), which complemented with the own political, ethical and aesthetic training that the epistemological bet of the course offers, will allow them to participate in peacebuilding scenarios with an interdisciplinary, intercultural, popular, feminist and ethnic perspective, in the contexts in which collective actions for the transformation of conflicts take place.

Methodological approach

The Course in Health, Peace and Human Rights is pedagogically designed to constitute a scenario of **horizontal** and **reciprocal** exchange, in which the formative experience is based on the premise that theory and practice are part of the same process.

The Course aims to be a scenario in which, theorizing about practice and recognizing the strength of thought and **creativity**, the knowledge that each participant has built - in their relationship with the world of life - is valued and enhanced, from the perspective of identifying and addressing new political challenges that allow promoting ways of living better.

Modules



Module 1

Thinking about health from peace

This module aims to promote a reflection on the way the **concept of health** is configured, emphasizing on the dynamics of each territory, especially those that have been affected by violence. The intention is to transcend the morbi-centric approach (focused on the disease) that has been dominant, and bring other elements to the discussion on which healthy states are also built, as proposed by the WHO with the focus on social determinants of health (SDH), through the recognition of stories of community actors, in different areas of the city or the department.

General Objective

To promote reflection on health from a comprehensive perspective, within the framework of the social determinants of health, in territories affected by conflicts.

Themes

- The **concept** of health from peace.
- **Challenges** within the framework of conflicts with social determinants of health.
- Community **strategies** to address health challenges in territories affected by violence.



Module 2

Conflicts and Peace(s): an approach to weaving peace into everyday life

This module aims to analyze the transformative potential of conflicts from a **positive perspective of cooperation, recognition and empowerment**, understanding that conflict situations can be transformed into learning situations aimed at promoting scenarios of reconciliation and reconstruction of human relationships. Specifically, this space invites to a broad and critical understanding of conflicts and peace, and to recognize the potential of actions aimed at restoring and building the conditions necessary for the full realization of the right to health as an integral part of peacebuilding processes.

General Objective

To understand and analyze, from the concepts and practice, the diversity of peace(s) and conflicts, their impact on human rights and the positive perspectives of their transformation in relation to the dynamics of peacebuilding, reconciliation and historical memory in the Colombian context.

Themes

- The **origin** of conflicts.
- **Projection** of the positive and transformative character of conflicts.
- **Colombian experiences** related to:
 - ◆ Commission for the Clarification of Truth.
 - ◆ Reintegration processes.
 - ◆ Experiences of the social movement for peace in Antioquia.



Module 3

Diversities, dissent and good living in health and peacebuilding in Colombia

This module proposes to reflect on the way in which social and cultural diversities are expressed as a **power that challenges the homogenization of thought** and paths to face the problems of our societies, proposing conceptions of *buen vivir* (good living) in which horizons of good, joyful, happy, dignified life are represented and in which collective, community, solidarity paths are highlighted in which other relationships between human beings, with other forms of life and with Mother Earth are conceived, thus allowing us to face the civilizational crisis by proposing a transition to other forms of humanity.

General Objective

To propose other discussions around conflicts, health and peace based on the recognition of the characteristics, senses and struggles of sexual and gender dissent and the representations and practices of the Buenos Vivires (Good living, living well, joyful living, dignified living) in Colombian social, community and cultural contexts.

Themes

- Origins, **meanings**, knowledge, bets, and values linked both to diversities and sexual and gender dissent as well as to good living.
- Collective and individual **effects** on health, peace and coexistence related to exclusion, invisibilization and dehumanization.
- Organizational **experiences** of resistance and re-existence to war from diverse and dissent bets from a gender and sexual, and cultural perspective.

Enrollment, dates and deadlines

What the cost includes

- Participation in the academic activities of the summer course.
- local transport, materials, and field trips.
- Accommodation with breakfast (5-19 August).
- Lunches and dinners.
- Access to the University of Antioquia's cultural and academic programming.

What the cost does NOT include

- Air ticket.
- Transportation between the hotel and the University.
- International health insurance.
- Any other item different from those included in the course.

Price: \$1700 USD

*The public from universities and institutions in Latin America and the Caribbean will be able to apply for partial scholarships of up to 40% discount.

Limited spots available

20 people.

(The opening of the course is subject to reaching the minimum number of participants).

How to enroll?

- Follow the link and complete your personal information here:
<https://bit.ly/SaludPazDDHHForm>
- After achieving the minimum student expected, you will receive an email with the approval of your application and a link to make the payment.

Registration deadline

MARCH 31, 2023

Payment options

You can pay by credit card or PSE through the Universidad de Antioquia's Portafolio app*

*Check our refund policy: <https://bit.ly/3DYjcl6>

*Please keep in my mind that international wires may incur in non-refundable bank fees. The Universidad de Antioquia will not be responsible for covering the bank fee in the event of a refund.

Minimum Spanish proficiency requirement

Have a minimum of **B1 Spanish**.

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