New Book Advances Understanding of Conflict's Role in Contemporary U.S. Society

A recently published book by Jason A. Springs, *Healthy Conflict in Contemporary American Society*, offers new insight into the productive and positive roles that conflict can play in the midst of religious intolerance and moral disagreements in contemporary American society. [More »](#)

Doctoral Student Publishes Article on How Language Impacts Aid Distribution in Mali

Emily Maiden, a doctoral student in political science and peace studies, has co-authored an article appearing in the June edition of *World Development* that says current aid distribution in northern Mali favors French-speaking villages and doesn't reach those most in need. [More »](#)

New Book Explores Dimensions of “Quality Peace” After Civil War

The recently published book by Madhav Joshi and Peter Wallensteen, *Understanding Quality Peace: Peacebuilding after Civil War*, is the second book in a three-part book series exploring “quality peace” as a robust concept with positive characteristics that move beyond simply the absence of war. [More »](#)

Lopez to Receive Honorary Doctoral Degree

George A. Lopez, Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Professor Emeritus of Peace Studies, will
Letters during the St. John Fisher College, Rochester, New York, Commencement ceremony on May 12. In addition, Lopez, a 1972 alumni of Fisher, will deliver the keynote address. More »

### Upcoming Events

**Honoring Undergraduates in Peace Studies, Class of 2018**

Friday, May 18  
6 p.m., McKenna Hall Auditorium

The Kroc Institute will honor the undergraduate peace studies class of 2018 during Notre Dame’s commencement weekend. Family and friends of students are welcome to attend this event. More »

**Voices of Conscience Conference**

May 22-24  
Hesburgh Center for International Studies and Jenkins Nanovic Halls

This conference will examine the history and moral and political implications of opposition to war within the military during the Vietnam and Iraq Wars. The conference will also host the U.S. debut of the "Waging Peace" exhibit, featuring photos, news clippings and more telling the story of GI resistance during the Vietnam War. More »

**Watch Now: Beatrice Fihn's Hesburgh Lecture**

On Tuesday, April 17, Beatrice Fihn, Executive Director of the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize winning-group, the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), gave the 24th Annual Hesburgh Lecture in Ethics & Public Policy. Watch the full lecture now »
On Monday, April 9, Mai Ni Ni Aung, M.A. ’03, founder of the Sone-Tu Cultural Preservation Project and the director of its sister organization, Sone-Tu Backstrap Weavings, was presented with the 2018 Distinguished Alumni Award. View photos from her visit to campus »

Faculty in the News

David Cortright wrote the Sojourners op-ed “The Danger of John Bolton.”

Ebrahim Moosa authored the CNBC op-ed “Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman’s US visit is a shopping trip for war.”

Mary Ellen O’Connell was quoted in The Daily Beast article “Could CIA Nominee Gina Haspel Be Prosecuted for War Crimes?” This article was also picked up by HotAir.

The Kroc Institute was mentioned in Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos’s speech at the United Nations High-Level Meeting on Sustaining Peace on April 24 and in an El Espectador article covering his speech, “Santos insiste en la necesidad de replantear la guerra contra las drogas.”

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