



KROC INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACE STUDIES

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Kroc Institute News



[Kroc Institute doctoral program introduces peace studies graduate minor](#)

The doctoral program at the Kroc Institute is expanding to include a **new graduate minor**. Beginning Fall 2019, graduate students pursuing a terminal master's or doctoral degree at the University of Notre Dame will have the opportunity to complete a minor concentration in peace studies. [More »](#)



[Peace Studies students partner with international organizations in the field](#)

Beginning this month, second-year **Master of Global Affairs (MGA) students with a concentration in International Peace Studies** departed for internships with partner organizations in Baltimore, Maryland; Beirut, Lebanon; Bogotá, Colombia; Chicago, Illinois; Nairobi, Kenya; Geneva, Switzerland; San Salvador, El Salvador; Washington, D.C.; Manila, Philippines; and Yangon, Myanmar. [More »](#)



[Peace Studies faculty from around the world attend Summer Institute for faculty](#)

Fifty-five faculty from 12 countries around the world attended the eleventh annual **Summer Institute for Faculty (SI)** from June 10-14. The SI is a week-long training for individuals who want to launch or strengthen peace studies programs at their colleges, universities, high schools, and organizations. [More »](#)

Event Highlights

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Creating a World Without Nuclear Weapons Seminar

In June 2019, the **Project on Revitalizing Catholic Engagement on Nuclear Disarmament** hosted a week-long seminar at the Keough School of Global Affairs Washington Office. The seminar drew 15 undergraduate students from eight colleges and universities. Led by Kroc Institute faculty **George A. Lopez** and **Gerard F. Powers**, the seminar invited students to examine the historical, strategic, policy, and ethical dimensions of current controversies surrounding nuclear weapons, and also introduced them to arms control experts and organizations in the D.C. area. The event was co-sponsored by the Catholic Peacebuilding Network and Georgetown University's Berkley Center for Religion, Peace and World Affairs. [More about the Project »](#)



Seminar on Colombian Peace Process at Two Years

A two-day seminar assessing the Colombian peace process after two years and the role of the Kroc Institute's **Peace Accords Matrix (PAM)** project in monitoring and supporting implementation drew over 120 attendees to the Keough School of Global Affairs Washington Office from June 10-11. Attendees included government officials from both Colombia and the United States, policymakers, NGO leaders, religious leaders, and journalists. [More about the event »](#)

Faculty in the News

Erin Corcoran, Executive Director of the Kroc Institute, was cited in *The Atlantic* article "All About That Peace: Trump Appoints His Peace with AOC the General

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The **Kroc Institute** was mentioned in the *New York Times/Associated Press* article "[UN Security Council Visits Colombia as Peace Worries Mount.](#)"



George A. Lopez, Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Professor Emeritus of Peace Studies, was quoted in *The New York Times* article "[U.S. Imposes Sanctions on Hezbollah Officials Accused of Supporting Iran.](#)"



Laura Miller-Graff, Assistant Professor of Psychology and Peace Studies, was profiled in the *Notre Dame Magazine* story "[A Remedy for Battered Hearts.](#)"



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