Master of Global Affairs Class of 2022 overcomes obstacles to begin spring semester together

When Notre Dame's spring semester began on February 3, the 33 members of the Master of Global Affairs Class of 2022 were able to attend in-person classes together for the first time. Due to pandemic-related travel restrictions in the United States throughout the fall 2020 semester, many international students were not able to travel to Notre Dame until late January 2021. Sixteen students chose to pursue a concentration in international peace studies.

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Virtual winter seminar features intergenerational conversations on nuclear disarmament

Kroc Institute faculty partnered with Catholic organizations and faculty across the globe to
host a virtual seminar for students and faculty focused on the goal of **creating a world without nuclear weapons**. This year’s seminar, held via Zoom video conference every evening from January 11-14, drew over 35 participants from 16 countries.

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**Peace Accords Matrix Program releases first report on implementation of ethnic provisions in 2016 Colombian Peace Agreement**

The Peace Accords Matrix Program (PAM) has released its first report monitoring the implementation of 80 stipulations within the 2016 Colombian Peace Agreement related to ethnic communities across the country.

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**Madrasa Discourses takes its innovative curriculum global with new website launch**

Since 2017, the Madrasa Discourses project has been engaging young Islamic religious leaders from India and Pakistan in conversation about pluralism, modern science, and technological advances. Now the project is ready to expand its reach through the launch of a new website offering a free and self-guided version of the Madrasa Discourses curriculum.
Upcoming Virtual Events

**Literatures of Annihilation, Exile & Resistance: The Language of Exile**

Friday, February 19  
12:00 p.m. EST, Virtual Event  

Featuring **Elias Khoury**, author of thirteen novels, four volumes of literary criticism, and three plays and **susan abulhawa**, novelist, poet, essayist, scientist, mother, and activist.

[Learn more »](https://t.e2ma.net/message/0ycnco/gn6il)

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**Mediating Justice Video Series**

Every Wednesday, March 3 - 31  
4:00 p.m. EST, Virtual Event  

The “Mediating Justice” series brings anthropologists and peace studies scholars together for conversations on what we mean when we talk about justice. New video interviews in the series will be released on the Kroc Institute’s Facebook page and YouTube Channel each Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. Eastern (U.S.) from March 3-31, 2021.

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**Feminist Approaches to Global Grassroots Peacebuilding**

Tuesday, February 23  
12:00 p.m. EST, Virtual Event  

This roundtable discussion highlights feminist scholarship on women’s grassroots political mobilizations against violence and oppression. Featuring **Beatriz Juárez Rodríguez, Cerue**
Konah Garlo, Lisa McLean, and Erin Corcoran (moderator).

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The Kroc Cast Podcast

A Conversation with Alisher Khamidov (M.A. '02)

George A. Lopez, the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Professor Emeritus of Peace Studies, talks with alum Alisher Khamidov (M.A. '02). Most recently, Alisher was at the University of Notre Dame during fall 2020 as a visiting research fellow. They discuss Alisher’s recent research on conflict in Kyrgyzstan.

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Current Openings

Peace Accords Matrix Post-Doctoral Associate

The Peace Accords Matrix (PAM) program at the Keough School of Global Affairs’ Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies is a unique source of qualitative and quantitative longitudinal data on the implementation of comprehensive peace agreements negotiated since 1989. With the goal of engaging in new peace processes and expanding its impact on the policy world, PAM seeks a post-doctoral associate to help bridge research, policy, and practice about peace accord implementation and make PAM’s knowledge more relevant and pertinent to policy makers.

Apply now »

Richard G. Starmann, Sr. Visiting Professorship Chair in Peace Studies
The Kroc Institute announces the launch of a new one-year visiting fellowship for senior peace studies scholars doing peace research broadly construed. We welcome applications from scholars from any discipline who focus on one or more of the following themes: conflict transformation; peace accord implementation, intersectionality and peacebuilding; justice and peace, nuclear disarmament; war, genocide, and mass atrocities; peace, climate change and environmental justice; religion, conflict and peacebuilding; mediation and other forms of peacemaking; social media, disinformation, technology, and conflict; or social movements.

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Media Highlights

David Cortright, Director of the Global Policy Initiative, Special Advisor for Policy Studies, and Professor Emeritus of the Practice; and George A. Lopez, Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Professor Emeritus of Peace Studies, wrote The Hill op-ed "How America could build global opposition to the coup in Burma."

Erin Corcoran, Executive Director, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies; Associate Teaching Professor in the Keough School of Global Affairs, was quoted in the Veja article “Biden’s change of route in US immigration policy.”

The Peace Accords Matrix (PAM) program was cited in the Human Rights Watch article “Unprotected leaders and defenseless communities: Killings of human rights defenders in remote areas of Colombia.”