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News

[Lisa Schirch joins Kroc Institute as Starmann Chair in Peace Studies](#)

Lisa Schirch, a prominent peace studies scholar and practitioner, has joined the University of Notre Dame's Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies as the Richard G. Starmann, Sr. Professor of the Practice in Peace Studies, a role effective July 1, 2022. Schirch is currently on campus as the Richard G. Starmann Sr. Visiting Professorship Chair in Peace Studies during the 2021-22 academic year



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[2022 Student Peace Conference theme announced, call for submissions goes live](#)

The 2022 **Notre Dame Student Peace Conference** planning committee has announced

this year's conference theme, “**(Re)Imagining Justice.**”



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[Master's student research honored](#)

Current Master of Global Affairs, International Peace Studies student **Eunhye (Grace) Lee** was part of a team honored with the 2021 Canada Project of the Year Award. This is one of the International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) North American Core Values Awards and was announced on September 14, 2021.



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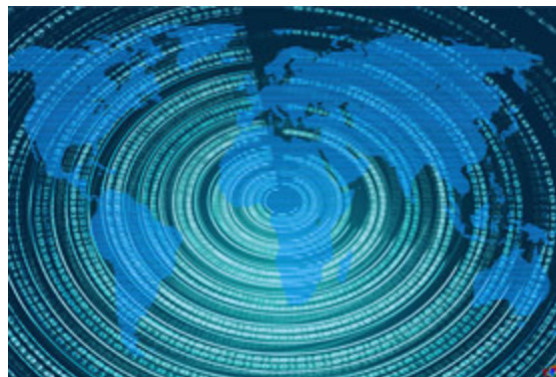
Upcoming Events

[Mapping Technologies for Peace and Conflict: From the Weaponization of Social Media to Digital Peacebuilding and Peacetech](#)

Tuesday, February 1, 2022

4:00 p.m. EST, Auditorium, Hesburgh Center for International Studies/Zoom Webinar

Featuring **Lisa Schirch**, Incoming Richard G. Starmann, Sr. Professor of the Practice in Peace Studies.



Beginning with an overview of how social media platforms' profit models and designs amplify hate and undermine democracy, this lecture will explore social media's impact in a dozen countries in the Global South that offer an insight into the devastating effects of technology.

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[The 28th Annual Hesburgh Lecture in Ethics and Public Policy](#)

Monday, February 7, 2022

4:00 p.m. EST, Zoom Webinar

"The Activist Artist"

Featuring **Bernardine Evaristo**, Booker Prize-winning novelist, essayist, dramatist, and literary critic; advocate and activist for inclusion in the arts

British writer Evaristo is the author of ten books and numerous writings that span the genres of fiction, verse fiction, short fiction, non-fiction, poetry, essays, literary criticism, journalism, and radio and theatre drama. Her writing and projects are based around her interest in the African diaspora.



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[The Kroc Cast Podcast](#)

[Reflections on Environmental Peacebuilding, COP26 and Faith-Informed Work](#)

Emmanuel Katongole, professor of theology and peace studies, talks with recent peace studies graduate and climate activist **Elsa Barron (B.A. '21)** who attended the 2021 United

Nations Climate Change Conference in Glasgow (COP26) in November 2021. Here they discuss their commitments to environmental peacebuilding, Katongole's work with the Bethany Land Institute in Uganda, the ways faith informs their environmental commitments, and the future of climate change activism.



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Media Highlights

David Cortright, Professor Emeritus of the Practice, was interviewed by *NPR's Morning Edition* in "[The U.S. warns Russia it faces sanctions if it invades Ukraine. Do sanctions work?](#)"



Mary Ellen O'Connell, Robert and Marion Short Professor of Law and Research Professor of International Dispute Resolution, was quoted in the *Associated Press* article "[Family seeks to sue Lebanon over dead father's captivity.](#)"



Ashley Bohrer, Assistant Professor of Gender and Peace Studies, was interviewed in the *What's Left of Philosophy* podcast "[Wake up and Choose Divine Violence: Walter Benjamin w/ Dr. Ashley Bohrer](#)"



George A. Lopez, Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Professor Emeritus of Peace Studies, wrote *The Hill* op-ed "[As Russia braces for battle, sanctions can still be a deterrent](#)"





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