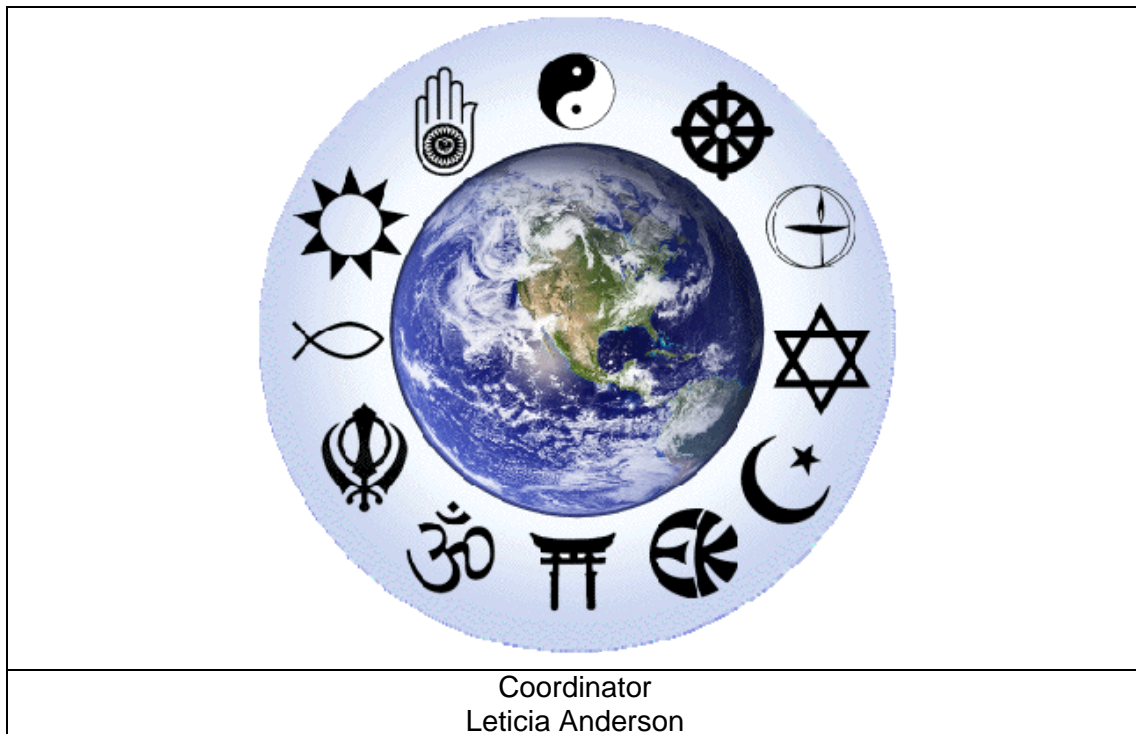


# Religion, War and Peace

**PACS6917**  
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## COURSE OUTLINE



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*Consultation Times: Wednesday 1-2pm (or by appointment)*
- Dates:** 13 weeks, 25<sup>th</sup> July – 26<sup>th</sup> October 2011 (no class 28<sup>th</sup> September)
- Time:** Wednesday afternoon seminars: 3:00 – 5:00 pm *OR*  
Wednesday evening seminars: 6:00 – 8:00 pm  
*Note: it is important that students remain in the same class*
- Location:** Mackie Seminar Room 107, Mackie Building, Arundel St

### 1. Aims & Objectives

Religion is frequently blamed as the cause of war and other violent conflict, and yet peace and nonviolence are considered central to most, if not all, religious traditions.

- How can we reconcile these apparently contradictory interpretations and experiences of the relationship between religion, war and peace?
- How can we harness the peace and non-violence aspects of religious belief and practice to reduce the level of violence and destructive conflict in the world?

This unit aims to answer these questions by studying the war and peace traditions of the world's major religions, focusing on Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism. We will endeavour to discover what these religions have in common in their approaches to war and peace, as well as how they might contradict each other, and hence to deepen our understanding of the power of religious-based violence and to develop ideas about how to maximise the peacemaking potential of religion.

We will look at sacred texts for sources of attitudes and beliefs of each religion, as well as considering the views of theologians and scholars who have analysed both the philosophy and practice of different religions in relation to peace, war, violence and nonviolence. The role of religion in determining ethical boundaries of human behaviour will be explored in relation to such themes as pacifism, nonviolence, just war, holy war and terrorist violence carried out in the name of religion.

Case studies of religious conflict, interfaith dialogue and faith-based peacemaking will include historical as well as contemporary examples, and will also include reference to individuals and organisations working in the fields of peacebuilding, dialogue, reconciliation and nonviolence. As such, this unit will provide a philosophical and practical guide for students preparing for a career as peace practitioners, faith-based workers, diplomats and others whose lives and work involve a commitment to peace, security and social justice.

## 2. Learning Outcomes

As a result of successfully completing this unit, students should be able to:

1. Appreciate attitudes towards violence, nonviolence, peacemaking, and peacebuilding practice in Buddhism, Hinduism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam;
2. Identify common themes and contradictions both within and between the major religious traditions on key concepts such as just war, holy war, faith-based peacemaking, and reconciliation;
3. Understand theoretical perspectives on religion and contemporary society, such as the clash of civilisations theory and the secularism thesis;
4. Analyse the role of religion in either promoting conflict or providing resources for peacemaking and peacebuilding;
5. Engage 'praxis' (apply theory to practice) in terms of identifying strategies for the reduction of violent conflict;
6. Appreciate the close relationship between religion and personal identity, and the sensitivity required to engage with religious actors and organisations in pursuit of peace with justice;
7. Demonstrate scholarly skills including the ability to engage critically with concepts, definitions, and a wide range of sources (including sacred texts); formulate topics of enquiry; conduct independent research; and construct persuasive and well-documented arguments in accordance with prescribed standards.

## 3. Class Timetable

Week 1 (27 <sup>th</sup> July)	Introduction to Unit and the Study of Religion <i>Ms Leticia Anderson, Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies</i>
Week 2 (3 <sup>rd</sup> August)	Secularism, Religion & Modernity <i>Ms Leticia Anderson, CPACS</i>
Week 3 (10 <sup>th</sup> August)	War and Peace in Hinduism <i>Dr Andrew McGarrity, Department of Indian Subcontinental Studies</i>
Week 4 (17 <sup>th</sup> August)	War and Peace in Buddhism <i>Dr Andrew McGarrity, Department of Indian Subcontinental Studies</i>
Week 5 (24 <sup>th</sup> August)	War and Peace in Judaism <i>Rabbi Dr Ari Lobel, Department of Hebrew, Biblical &amp; Jewish Studies</i>
Week 6 (31 <sup>st</sup> August)	War and Peace in Christianity <i>Ms Leticia Anderson, CPACS</i>
Week 7 (7 <sup>th</sup> September)	War and Peace in Islam <i>Assoc. Prof. Ahmad Shboul, Department of Arabic &amp; Islamic Studies</i>
Week 8 (14 <sup>th</sup> September)	Case Study: Sri Lanka <i>Ms Leticia Anderson, CPACS</i>
Week 9 (21 <sup>st</sup> September)	Case Study: Nigeria <i>Ms Leticia Anderson, CPACS</i>
<b>MID-SEMESTER BREAK</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> September – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2010</b>
Week 10 (5 <sup>th</sup> October)	Religious Violence, Sectarianism, and Identity <i>Ms Leticia Anderson &amp; Ms Neven Bondokji, CPACS</i>

Week 11 (12 <sup>th</sup> October)	Faith-Based Peacemaking, Peacebuilding & Reconciliation <i>Dr Wendy Lambourne, CPACS with guests</i>
Week 12 (19 <sup>th</sup> October)	Interfaith Dialogue & Community-Building <i>Ms Donna Jacobs Sife, Together for Humanity</i>
Week 13 (26 <sup>th</sup> October)	Conclusion: Towards Peaceful Communities <i>Ms Leticia Anderson, CPACS</i>

#### 4. Online Resources

PACS6917 has a University of Sydney e-Learning/Blackboard site. Students will need to ensure they are correctly enrolled and can login to *Blackboard* from Week 1, as important announcements, assessment components, course materials and resources will need to be accessed through this site.

To login to *Blackboard*, go to <http://elearning.sydney.edu.au/>

#### 5. Assessment

*PACS6917 has five assessment tasks. Students must pass all elements of the assessment for successful completion of the course. Failure to attend at least 80% of classes without reasonable cause is grounds for failure.*

<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
1. Reading & Class Participation	Ongoing	10%
2. Group Presentation (20-25mins)	Week 8 OR Week 9	15%
3. Peer assessment of Group Work (in class)	Week 9 OR Week 10	5%
4. Written report on Group Presentation (1500 words)	Week 10 OR Week 11	20%
5. Essay (3000 words)	9 <sup>th</sup> November 2011	50%

##### **1. Reading and Class Participation (10%)**

Participation in class discussions and evidence of reading will comprise 10% of the assessment for the unit. Ongoing reading is essential for understanding and contributing to weekly class discussions, as well as in preparation for completion of assignments. Required class readings are listed for each session and are available for purchase in a Course Reader. Students are expected to complete these readings prior to class each week.

Additional references are intended to provide students a wide array of avenues to pursue research for assignments or personal interest. Students will be expected to draw upon material from the Course Reader, the extended reading list, and to conduct further independent research in order to complete the group task and the essay satisfactorily.

**2. Group Presentation**      20 min + 5 min discussion (15%)      Due: in class Week 8/Week 9

The group assignment consists of a presentation to the class on the role of religion in *either* violent conflict or conflict resolution and peacebuilding in one of two regional case studies, Sri Lanka (Week Eight) or Nigeria (Week Nine).

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Week Eight (Sri Lanka)</b>	<b>Week Nine (Nigeria)</b>
<i>War/Violent Conflict</i>	Group 1	Group 3
<i>Peacemaking/ Peacebuilding</i>	Group 2	Group 4

In Week Two, students in each seminar ('Afternoon' or 'Evening') can choose their own group during class. Each group will have a private *Blackboard* area in which they can email each other and share files. Instructions for signing up and using the group's online space will be provided in Week Two.

The first half hour of each seminar in Weeks 8 and 9 will include an introduction to the case study from the Course Coordinator. This means the group should not focus on the history or background causes of the conflict. The presentation should be focused on the group's *analysis* of the **role of religion** in the case study.

The group task is a collaborative project, in which students support each other in developing analytical skills and improving their understanding of the religious foundations for violent conflict, peacemaking and peacebuilding. It is probable that groups will be composed of students of diverse backgrounds, faith orientations and attitudes towards religion. Group members will need to be sensitive to this diversity and reflect upon the implications for their engagement with the group. Your group may decide to establish ground rules for discussion.

Group members can choose which format is best suited for their presentation. For example, you could use powerpoint, verbal presentations, multimedia presentations, or any combination of these methods. It is recommended that only 1-2 members of the group are involved in the formal presentation. Group members will all receive the same mark for the presentation, even if they don't participate in the presentation itself. Contributions to the group's final product will be peer assessed separately.

*Criteria for assessment:*

- evidence of research and understanding of key aspects of the theological or philosophical approaches to war/violence OR peace/nonviolence in the two main religions involved in the case study;
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- identification and analysis of how sacred texts or other aspects of these two religious traditions have been utilised in the justification of war/violence OR peace/nonviolence in the case study;
- consideration of how the use of sacred texts or religious traditions to justify war/violence or peace/nonviolence in the case study might conflict with or exemplify some of the key principles of the religions involved in the case study (as identified in the first criteria);
- analysis of the role of religion and religious actors in conflict genesis, perpetuation, exacerbation, resolution, transformation or post-conflict reconciliation and peacebuilding in the case study;
- evidence of critical and reflective research based on a wide variety of sources;
- engagement of class in informed discussion based on the presentation; and
- ability to present a clear, well-organised presentation within the required time limit.

**3. Group Task – Peer Assessment Questionnaire (5%)**

*Due:* in class Week 9/Week 10

The week following the group presentations, all members of the group will be expected to submit a Peer Assessment questionnaire on the participation of the other members of their group. Students will not be required to rate their own contribution. Your final mark will be an average of the marks awarded by your peers. This form is available on *Blackboard*.

**4. Presentation Report**

*1500 words (20%)*

*Due:* in class Week 10/Week 11

Two weeks following the group presentations, all members of the group will be required to submit an *individual* written report based on their group's presentation. (i.e. on the role of religion in *either* violent conflict or conflict resolution and peacebuilding in one of the two regional case studies).

The written paper is an opportunity for students to explore particular issues or sources in more depth, or to consider perspectives or approaches to the material which were not suitable for the in-class presentation, but must address all of the assessment criteria below.

It is also an opportunity to develop your critical and analytical writing skills and ensure that you are properly documenting your research (i.e. referencing correctly).

*Criteria for assessment:*

- evidence of research and understanding of key aspects of the theological or philosophical approaches to war/violence OR peace/nonviolence in the two main religions involved in the case study;
- identification and analysis of how sacred texts or other aspects of these two religious traditions have been utilised in the justification of war/violence OR peace/nonviolence in the case study;
- consideration of how the use of sacred texts or religious traditions to justify war/violence or peace/nonviolence in the case study might contrast with or exemplify some of the key principles of the religion (as outlined in the first criteria);
- analysis of the role of religion and religious actors in conflict genesis, perpetuation, exacerbation, resolution, transformation or post-conflict reconciliation and peacebuilding in the case study;
- evidence of critical and reflective research based on a wide variety of sources;
- ability to develop and present a coherent argument within the required word limit.

**5. Final Essay**

*3000 words (50%)*

*Due:* Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November

The aim of the essay is to give students the opportunity to explore in depth either:

1) **a war or violent conflict in which religion has either played or has been perceived to have played a major role;**

OR

2) **a religious or interfaith approach to peacebuilding, reconciliation or conflict resolution, both in theory and practice.**

The conflict or approach to peacebuilding can be taken from history or it could be a contemporary example (excluding the two case studies explored in detail during the course). Students are expected to draw from the course reader but also to read and research more widely in order to support the development of arguments and analysis required for the essay.

***Students must submit and gain approval for their topic choice via Blackboard in Week 11.***

For both topics, students are expected to reflect on the philosophical foundations for the promotion of either violent or non-violent means of resolving conflict, as well as to discuss how religion may be used (or misused) politically and strategically to justify war/violence or peace/non-violence.

The essay should reflect the major themes of the course: how religion can form the basis of either war or peace, violence or non-violence, and how applying insights from understanding these war and peace traditions can help to reduce violent conflict through peace and non-violence principles.

*Criteria for assessment:*

- evidence of research and understanding of the religious conflict or approach to peacebuilding being discussed (as appropriate);
- ability to analyse religious approaches from a theoretical and empirical perspective, including the philosophical and political explanations and justifications for the particular war/violence OR peacebuilding/nonviolent practice;
- reflection on and analysis of the use or misuse of religion in your case study;
- ability to critically discuss the implications of your analysis for the achievement of peace with justice;
- evidence of critical and reflective research based on a wide variety of properly documented sources; and
- ability to develop and present a coherent argument within the required word limit.

***Please note:*** It is recommended that if you focused on conflict for the group assignment, you should choose Topic 2 for the final essay. Conversely, if you focused on peace traditions in the group assignment, you should choose Topic 1 for your final essay.

**PLEASE REFER TO CPACS ASSIGNMENT PRESENTATION AND ASSESSMENT GUIDELINES 2011 FOR DETAILS ABOUT REFERENCING, SUBMISSION OF ASSIGNMENTS AND OTHER IMPORTANT ISSUES INCLUDING PLAGIARISM.**

## 6. Outline of Sessions

### Week 1 Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July

#### Introduction to Unit and the Study of Religion

Ms Leticia Anderson, Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies

This session will concentrate on introductions and a discussion of the course, including aims and outcomes, course outline and themes, resources and assessment. We will begin to grapple with the questions of how to reconcile (1) the existence of violence traditions in religions which are also based on peace as a central philosophical or theological principle, and (2) the apparent conflicts within a context of religious diversity.

#### Required readings:

Schmidt-Leukel, Perry, 'Part of the Problem, Part of the Solution', in Perry Schmidt-Leukel, ed., <i>War and Peace in World Religions</i> (London: SCM Press, 2004), pp. 1-10.
Haynes, Jeffrey, 'Conflict, Conflict Resolution and Peace-Building: The Role of Religion in Mozambique, Nigeria and Cambodia', <i>Commonwealth &amp; Comparative Politics</i> , 47: 1 (2009), pp. 52-75.
Rodrigues, Hillary & Harding, John S., 'Introduction' in <i>Introduction to the Study of Religion</i> (London: Routledge, 2008), pp. 1-17.
Chryssides, George D. & Geaves, Ron, 'The Concept of a World Religion', in <i>The Study of Religion: An Introduction to Key Ideas and Methods</i> (London; New York: Continuum, 2007), pp. 65-94.

#### Recommended readings:

Acland, Andrew, 'Religion and Conflict Resolution', in John W. Bowker, ed., *Conflict and Reconciliation: The Contribution of Religions* (Toronto: The Key Publishing House Inc.: 2008), pp. 22-54.

Chryssides, George D. & Geaves, Ron, *The Study of Religion: An Introduction to Key Ideas and Methods* (London; New York : Continuum, 2007), Chapters 5-6.

Little, David, 'Religion, Violent Conflict and Peacemaking', in David Little, ed., *Peacemakers in Action: Profiles of Religion in Conflict Resolution* (New York, Cambridge University Press, 2007), pp. 429-448.

Little, David, and Appleby, Scott, 'A Moment of Opportunity? The Promise of Religious Peacebuilding in an Era of Religious and Ethnic Conflict', in Harold Coward and Gordon S. Smith, eds., *Religion and Peacebuilding* (New York: State University of New York Press, 2004), pp. 2-23.

Powers, Gerard F., 'Religion and Peacebuilding' in Daniel Philpott & Gerard F. Powers, eds., *Strategies of Peace: Transforming Conflict in a Violent World* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010), pp. 317-352.

Reichburg, Gregory M., Popovski, Vesselin & Turner, Nicholas, 'Norms of War in Cross-Religious Perspective', in Vesselin Popovski, Gregory M. Reichberg & Nicholas Turner, eds., *World Religions and Norms of War* (New York: United Nations University Press, 2009), pp.106-141.

Rodrigues, Hillary & Harding, John S., *Introduction to the Study of Religion* (London: Routledge, 2008), pp. 44-48, 66-73, 137-140.

Smock, David, 'Religion in World Affairs: Its Role in Conflict and Peace (US Institute of Peace Special Report No. 201)' (Washington, DC: USIP, 2008), <<http://www.usip.org/pubs/specialreports/sr201.html>>, viewed 1<sup>st</sup> May 2010.

ter Haar, Gerrie, 'Religion: Source of Conflict or Resource for Peace', in Gerrie ter Haar and James J. Busuttil, eds., *Bridge or Barrier: Religion, Violence and Visions for Peace* (Leiden; Boston: Brill Academic Publishers, 2005), pp. 3-34.

**Week 2      Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August**

**Secularism, Religion and Modernity**

*Ms Leticia Anderson, Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies*

In this session we will begin to explore some of the issues concerning the interrelationships between religion and politics in a globalised, post-modern world. We will consider the assumption, common in the twentieth century, that modernity would inevitably lead to spread of secularism and the weakening of the influence of religion upon individuals and societies. We will also start to investigate some assumptions about the supposed anti-modernism of religious fundamentalism.

*Some time in this seminar will be set aside for the formation of groups for the Group Presentations.*

*Required readings:*

Juergensmeyer, Mark, 'The Rise of Religious Nationalism', in <i>Global Rebellion: Religious Challenges to the Secular State, from Christian Militias to Al Qaeda</i> (Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2008), pp. 1-8.
Fox, Jonathon, 'Integrating Religion into International Relations Theory', in Jeffrey Haynes, ed., <i>Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics</i> (London; New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 273-292.
Madeley, John, 'Religion and the State', in Jeffrey Haynes, ed., <i>Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics</i> (London; New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 174-191.
Turner, Bryan S., 'Religion in a Post-Secular World', in Bryan S. Turner, ed., <i>The New Blackwell Companion to the Sociology of Religion</i> (Oxford: Blackwell, 2010), pp. 649-667.

*Recommended readings:*

Bruce, Steve, 'Secularisation', in Bryan S. Turner, ed., *The New Blackwell Companion to the Sociology of Religion* (Oxford: Blackwell, 2010), pp. 125-140.

Bruce, Steve, 'Secularisation and Politics', in Jeffrey Haynes, ed., *Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics* (London; New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 145-158.

Juergensmeyer, Mark, 'The Religious Challenge to the Secular State', in *Global Rebellion: Religious Challenges to the Secular State, from Christian Militias to Al Qaeda* (Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2008), pp. 9-38.

Juergensmeyer, Mark, 'From Bhindranwale to Bin Laden: A Search for Understanding Religious Violence', in Linell E. Cady and Sheldon W. Simon, eds., *Religion and Conflict in South and South East Asia: Disrupting Violence* (London; New York: Routledge, 2007), pp. 21-30.

Mohseni, Payam & Wilcox, Clyde, 'Religion and Political Parties', in Jeffrey Haynes, ed., *Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics* (London; New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 211-230.

Pettersson, Thorleif, 'Religious Commitment and Socio-Political Orientations: Different Patterns of Compartmentalisation among Muslims and Christians?', in Jeffrey Haynes, ed., *Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics* (London; New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 246-270.

Wilkes, George R., 'Religious Attitudes to the Middle East Peace Process', in Philip Broadhead & Damien Keown, eds., *Can Faiths Make Peace? Holy Wars and the Resolution of Religious Conflicts* (London; New York: I.B. Tauris, 2007), pp. 7-16.

### **Week 3 Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> August**

#### **War and Peace in Hinduism**

*Dr Andrew McGarrity, Department of Indian Subcontinental Studies, University of Sydney*

In this session Dr Andrew McGarrity, Lecturer in South Asian and Indo-Tibetan Studies at the University of Sydney, will present a guest lecture on philosophies and traditions of war and peace in Hinduism. His research and teaching areas include Indian and Buddhist Philosophy; the history of ideas in India and Tibet; and Sanskrit and Tibetan language study.

#### *Required reading:*

Rambachan, Anantanand, 'The Co-existence of Violence and Non-Violence in Hinduism', <i>Ecumenical Review</i> 55:2 (April 2003), pp. 115-121.
Roy, Kaushik, 'Norms of War in Hinduism', in Vesselin Popovski, Gregory M. Reichberg & Nicholas Turner, eds., <i>World Religions and Norms of War</i> (New York: United Nations University Press, 2009), pp. 30-59.
Gandhi, Rajmohan, 'Hinduism and Peacebuilding', in Harold Coward and Gordon S. Smith, eds., <i>Religion and Peacebuilding</i> (New York: State University of New York Press, 2004), pp. 45-68.
Gandhi, Mohandas, 'Ahimsa, or the Way of Nonviolence', in David P. Barash, ed., <i>Approaches to Peace: A Reader in Peace and Conflict Studies</i> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edt. (Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2 <sup>nd</sup> ed., 2010), pp. 205-211.
'The Bhagavad Gita', in David P. Barash, ed., <i>Approaches to Peace: A Reader in Peace and Conflict Studies</i> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edt. (Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2010), pp. 223-225.

#### *Recommended reading:*

Allen, Nick, 'Just War in the *Mahābhārata*', in Richard Sorabji, & David Rodin, eds., *The Ethics of War: Shared Problems in Different Traditions* (Aldershot: Ashgate, 2006), pp. 138-151.

Chiriyankandath, James, 'Hinduism', in Jeffrey Haynes, ed., *Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics* (London; New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 79-91.

Flood, Gavin, 'Reconciliation, Peace and Justice in Hinduism', in John W. Bowker, ed., *Conflict and Reconciliation: The Contribution of Religions* (Toronto: The Key Publishing House Inc.: 2008), pp. 55-88.

Smith, David, 'Hinduism', in Linda Woodhead, Hiroko Kawanawi and Christopher Partridge, eds., *Religions in the modern world: traditions and transformations* (London: Routledge, 2nd ed., 2009), pp. 15-40.

von Brück, Michael, 'War and Peace in Hinduism', in Perry Schmidt-Leukel, ed., *War and Peace in World Religions* (London: SCM Press, 2004), pp. 11-32.

**Week 4 Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August**

**War and Peace in Buddhism**

Dr Andrew McGarrity, Department of Indian Subcontinental Studies, University of Sydney

In this session Dr Andrew McGarrity, Lecturer in South Asian and Indo-Tibetan Studies at the University of Sydney, will present a guest lecture on philosophies and traditions of war and peace in Buddhism. His research and teaching areas include Indian and Buddhist Philosophy; the history of ideas in India and Tibet; and Sanskrit and Tibetan language study.

*Required reading:*

Schmidt-Leukel, Perry, 'War and Peace in Buddhism', in Perry Schmidt-Leukel, ed., <i>War and Peace in World Religions</i> (London, SCM Press, 2004), pp. 33-56.
Schober, Julianne, 'Buddhism, Violence and the State in Burma (Myanmar) and Sri Lanka', in Linell E. Cady and Sheldon W. Simon, eds., <i>Religion and Conflict in South and South East Asia: Disrupting Violence</i> (London; New York: Routledge, 2007), pp. 51-69.
Hanh, Thich Nhat, 'Being Peace', in David P. Barash, ed., <i>Approaches to Peace: A Reader in Peace and Conflict Studies</i> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edt. (Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2010), pp. 225-230.
'The Victory of Duttha Gamani', in <i>The Mahāvamsa: or, the great chronicle of Ceylon</i> , trans. by Wilhelm Geiger, assisted by Mabel Haynes Bode (London: Pali Text Society, 1980), available at <a href="http://mahavamsa.org/2008/05/25-victory-duttha-gamani/">http://mahavamsa.org/2008/05/25-victory-duttha-gamani/</a> , viewed 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2010.

*Recommended reading:*

Cathwell, Cathy, and Kawanawi, Hiroko, 'Buddhism', in Linda Woodhead, Hiroko Kawanawi and Christopher Partridge, eds., *Religions in the modern world: traditions and transformations* (London: Routledge, 2nd ed., 2009), pp. 41-69.

Deegalle, Mahinda, 'Is Violence Justified in Theravada Buddhism?', *Ecumenical Review* 55:2 (April 2003), pp. 115-121.

Faure, Bernard, 'Afterthoughts', in Michael Jerryson & Mark Juergensmeyer, eds., *Buddhist Warfare* (Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2010), pp. 211-226.

Friedlander, Peter, 'Buddhism and Politics', in Jeffrey Haynes, ed., *Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics* (London; New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 11-25.

Harvey, Peter, 'Resources for Dissolving Conflict in Theravada Buddhism', in John W. Bowker, ed., *Conflict and Reconciliation: The Contribution of Religions* (Toronto: The Key Publishing House Inc.: 2008), pp. 89-141.

Jerryson, Michael & Juergensmeyer, Mark, eds., *Buddhist Warfare* (Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2010).

Lamb, Christopher, 'Actualising Peace: Mahayana Buddhism's Central Ethical Concern', in John W. Bowker, ed., *Conflict and Reconciliation: The Contribution of Religions* (Toronto: The Key Publishing House Inc.: 2008), pp. 142-173.

Neumaier, Eva K., 'Missed Opportunities: Buddhism and the Ethnic Strife in Sri Lanka and Tibet', in Harold Coward and Gordon S. Smith, eds., *Religion and Peacebuilding* (New York: State University of New York Press, 2004), pp. 69-92.

**Week 5 Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August**

**War and Peace in Judaism**

Rabbi Dr Ari Lobel, Department of Hebrew, Biblical and Jewish Studies

In this session, Rabbi Dr Ari Lobel will present a guest lecture on the war and peace traditions in Judaism. Dr Lobel has recently returned to Sydney after spending the past two decades studying and teaching at various academic institutions including Johns Hopkins University and Ner Israel Rabbinical College in Baltimore, and the Hebrew University and Aish Hatorah College of Jewish Studies in Jerusalem. Most recently, Dr Lobel has worked as a writer, translator and editor for the Artscroll translations of the Babylonian and Jerusalem Talmud and the Mishnah.

*Required reading:*

Coen-Sherbok, Daniel, 'War and Peace in Judaism', in Perry Schmidt-Leukel, ed., <i>War and Peace in World Religions</i> (London, SCM Press, 2004), pp. 81-98.
Walzer, Michael, 'Commanded and Permitted Wars' in Michael Walzer, ed., <i>Law, Politics, and Morality in Judaism</i> (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2006), pp. 149-168.
Ravitsky, Aviezer, 'Prohibited Wars', in Michael Walzer, ed., <i>Law, Politics, and Morality in Judaism</i> (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2006), pp. 169-181.
Grenimann, Yehiel, 'Bitter Conflict: Can Judaism Bring Hope?', in Gerrie ter Haar and James J. Busuttill, eds., <i>Bridge or Barrier: Religion, Violence and Visions for Peace</i> (Leiden; Boston: Brill Academic Publishers, 2005), pp. 169-184.

*Recommended reading:*

Burns, J. Patout, ed., *War and its discontents: pacifism and quietism in the Abrahamic traditions* (Washington, D.C.: Georgetown University Press, 1996).

Froman, Rabbi Menachem, 'The Settler who Spoke with Arafat', in David Little, ed., *Peacemakers in Action: Profiles of Religion in Conflict Resolution* (New York, Cambridge University Press, 2007), pp. 341-355.

Gopin, Marc, 'Judaism and Peacebuilding', in Harold Coward and Gordon S. Smith, eds., *Religion and Peacebuilding* (New York: State University of New York Press, 2004), pp. 111-127.

Kunin, Seth D., 'Judaism', in Linda Woodhead, Hiroko Kawanawi and Christopher Partridge, eds., *Religions in the modern world: traditions and transformations* (London: Routledge, 2nd ed., 2009), pp. 128-152.

Landau, Yehezkel, 'An Open House', in David Little, ed., *Peacemakers in Action: Profiles of Religion in Conflict Resolution* (New York, Cambridge University Press, 2007), pp. 356-381.

Sandler, Shmuel, 'Judaism and the State', in Jeffrey Haynes, ed., *Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics* (London; New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 128-142.

Solomon, Norman, 'The Ethics of War: Judaism', in Richard Sorabji, & David Rodin, eds., *The Ethics of War: Shared Problems in Different Traditions* (Aldershot: Ashgate, 2006), pp. 108-138.

Wilkes, George, 'Judaism and Justice in War', in Paul Robinson, ed., *Just War in Comparative Perspective* (Aldershot, Hampshire: Ashgate, 2003), pp. 9-23.

**Week 6 Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August**

**War and Peace in Christianity**

*Ms Leticia Anderson, Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies*

In this session, we will explore the original pacifist tenets of the Early Christians and the nonviolence traditions in Christianity. We will analyse how Augustine married Christian and Ancient thought to generate the basis for a Christian theory of just war, which was later revised by scholastic thinkers such as Saint Thomas Aquinas. Finally, we will consider the origins and development of basic tensions in the history of Western thought regarding war, nonviolence and morality.

*Required readings:*

Reichberg, Gregory M., 'Norms of War in Roman Catholic Christianity', in Vesselin Popovski, Gregory M. Reichberg & Nicholas Turner, eds., <i>World Religions and Norms of War</i> (New York: United Nations University Press, 2009), pp. 142-165.
Morkevicius, Valerie Ona, 'Norms of War in Protestant Christianity', in Vesselin Popovski, Gregory M. Reichberg & Nicholas Turner, eds., <i>World Religions and Norms of War</i> (New York: United Nations University Press, 2009), pp. 220-254.
Bartoli, Andrea, 'Christianity and Peacebuilding', in Harold Coward and Gordon S. Smith, eds., <i>Religion and Peacebuilding</i> (New York: State University of New York Press, 2004), pp. 147-166.
King, Martin Luther, 'Letter from a Birmingham Jail', in David P. Barash, ed., <i>Approaches to Peace: A Reader in Peace and Conflict Studies</i> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edt. (Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2010), pp. 144-148.
'The New Testament', in David P. Barash, ed., <i>Approaches to Peace: A Reader in Peace and Conflict Studies</i> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edt. (Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2010), pp. 213-214.

*Recommended readings:*

Bellamy, Alex J., *Just Wars: From Cicero to Iraq* (Cambridge: Polity Press, 2006).

Brundage, James A., 'Holy War and the Medieval Lawyers' in *The Crusades, Holy War and Canon Law* (Aldershot, UK: Variorum, 1991), pp. 99-105 & 123-125.

Cartwright, Michael G., 'Conflicting Interpretations of Christian Pacifism', in John Coleman, ed., *Christian Political Ethics* (Princeton, N.J.: Princeton University Press, 2008), pp. 261-278.

Hazlett, Ian, 'War and Peace in Christianity', in Perry Schmidt-Leukel, ed., *War and Peace in World Religions* (London, SCM Press, 2004), pp. 99-147.

Brooks, Jeremy and Bowker, John, 'Christianity I: The Roots of Reconciliation', in John W. Bowker, ed., *Conflict and Reconciliation: The Contribution of Religions* (Toronto: The Key Publishing House Inc.: 2008), pp. 241-255.

Grey, Mary, 'Christianity II: The Peace-Making Tradition', in John W. Bowker, ed., *Conflict and Reconciliation: The Contribution of Religions* (Toronto: The Key Publishing House Inc.: 2008), pp. 256-292.

Koontz, Theodore J., 'Christian Nonviolence: An Interpretation', in John Coleman, ed., *Christian Political Ethics* (Princeton, N.J.: Princeton University Press, 2008), pp. 261-278.

Woodhead, Linda, 'Christianity', in Linda Woodhead, Hiroko Kawanawi and Christopher Partridge, eds., *Religions in the modern world: traditions and transformations* (London: Routledge, 2nd ed., 2009), pp. 153-181.

**Week 7 Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September**

**War and Peace in Islam**

Associate Professor Ahmad Shboul, Department of Arabic and Islamic Studies

This week, Professor Shboul will guide us in an exploration of relevant Muslim theological texts regarding peace and war, the concept of *jihad*, as well as contemporary approaches to peacebuilding from the point of view of the Islamic faith. We will also look at the current myth of an 'essential' relationship between Islam and violence from a critical perspective and point out the limitations of this paradigm.

*Required reading:*

Abu-Nimer, Mohammed, 'Current Studies of Peace and Nonviolence in Islam' in <i>Nonviolence and Peace Building in Islam</i> (Gainesville, Florida: University Press of Florida, 2003), pp. 25-47.
Abu-Nimer, Mohammed, 'Social, Political and Cultural Applications of Nonviolent Strategies in Muslim Communities' in <i>Nonviolence and Peace Building in Islam</i> (Gainesville, Florida: University Press of Florida, 2003), pp. 85-90.
Teti, Andrea & Mura, Andrea, 'Islam and Islamism', in Jeffrey Haynes, ed., <i>Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics</i> (London; New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 92-110.
Sonbol, Amira, 'Norms of War in Sunni Islam', in Vesselin Popovski, Gregory M. Reichberg & Nicholas Turner, eds., <i>World Religions and Norms of War</i> (New York: United Nations University Press, 2009), pp. 282-302.
Gomaa, Ali, 'The Meaning of Jihad', in David P. Barash, ed., <i>Approaches to Peace: A Reader in Peace and Conflict Studies</i> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edt. (Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2010), p. 236.

*Recommended reading:*

Abu-Nimer, Mohammed, 'Islamic Principles of Nonviolence and Peacebuilding' in *Nonviolence and Peace Building in Islam* (Gainesville, Florida: University Press of Florida, 2003), pp. 48-84.

El Fadl, Khaled Abou, 'Conflict Resolution as a Normative Value in Islamic Law: Handling Disputes with Non-Muslims', in Douglas Johnston ed., *Faith-Based Diplomacy: Trumping Realpolitik* (Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, 2003), pp. 178-209.

Nafissi, Mohammad, 'Shiism and politics', in Jeffrey Haynes, ed., *Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics* (London; New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 111-127.

Huda, Qamar-ul, *Crescent and Dove: Peace and Conflict Resolution in Islam* (Washington, D.C.: USIP, 2010).

Kelsay, John, 'Islamic Tradition and the Justice of War', in Torkel Brekke, ed., *The Ethics of War in Asian Civilisations: A Comparative Perspective* (London; New York: Routledge, 2006), pp. 81-110.

Khosrokhavar, Farhad, 'Introduction', in *Inside Jihadism: Understanding Jihadi Movements Worldwide* (Boulder, London: Paradigm Publishers, 2009), pp. 1-7.

Milton-Edwards, Beverley, 'Politics and religion', in Youssef M. Choueiri, ed., *A Companion to the History of the Middle East* (Oxford, Blackwell Publishing, 2005), pp. 444-461.

Ridgeon, Lloyd, 'War and Peace in Islam', in Perry Schmidt-Leukel, ed., *War and Peace in World Religions* (London, SCM Press, 2004), pp. 148-180.

Said, Abdul Aziz, Funk, Nathan C. & Kadayifci, Ayse S., eds., *Peace and Conflict Resolution in Islam* (Lanham, Maryland: University Press of America, 2001).

Thomas, David, 'Peace and Reconciliation in Islam', in John W. Bowker, ed., *Conflict and Reconciliation: The Contribution of Religions* (Toronto: The Key Publishing House Inc.: 2008), pp. 293-324.

Waines, David, 'Islam', in Linda Woodhead, Hiroko Kawanawi and Christopher Partridge, eds., *Religions in the modern world: traditions and transformations* (London: Routledge, 2nd ed., 2009), pp. 182-203.

Wilkes, George R., 'Religious Attitudes to the Middle East Peace Process', in Philip Broadhead & Damien Keown, eds., *Can Faiths Make Peace? Holy Wars and the Resolution of Religious Conflicts* (London; New York: I.B. Tauris, 2007), pp. 7-16.

## **Week 8 Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

### **Case Study: Sri Lanka**

*Ms Leticia Anderson, Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies*

In this session, we will examine the role of religion in perpetuating violence and war in Sri Lanka, the politics of religion and the potential for religion to underpin a politics of peace in the region.

This session will consider the role of religion in the generation of conflict in Sri Lanka and the promotion of peace. How and why have religious leaders justified and invoked violence? Why was there widespread popular support for these appeals? The role of critics of and dissenters from these traditions, and the nature of the forces which to some extent have curbed religious violence, will also be considered. Finally, we will consider in what ways the role of religion in present-day Sri Lanka may be more conducive to violence or peace, and discuss strategies for the reduction of violent conflict.

*N.B. The first part of this class will be a general introduction to the role of religion in both conflict and peacemaking in Sri Lanka. The second part of the seminar will be devoted to group presentations which will deepen our understanding of these issues.*

#### *Required reading:*

Little, David, 'Religion and Ethnicity in the Sri Lankan Civil War', in Richard I. Rotberg, ed., <i>Creating Peace in Sri Lanka: Civil War and Reconciliation</i> (Washington, D.C.: Brookings Institution Press, 1999), pp. 41-56.
Deegalle, Mahinda, 'Buddhist Monks and Political Activism in Sri Lanka', in Philip Broadhead & Damien Keown, eds., <i>Can Faiths Make Peace? Holy Wars and the Resolution of Religious Conflicts</i> (London; New York: I.B. Tauris, 2007), pp. 134-148.
Harris, Elizabeth J., 'The Cost of Peace: Buddhists and Conflict Transformation in Sri Lanka', in Philip Broadhead & Damien Keown, eds., <i>Can Faiths Make Peace? Holy Wars and the Resolution of Religious Conflicts</i> (London; New York: I.B. Tauris, 2007), pp. 149-161.
International Crisis Group, <i>Sri Lanka Conflict History: 17<sup>th</sup> February 2010</i> (Brussels: International Crisis Group, 2010), available at < <a href="http://www.crisisgroup.org/en/key-issues/research-resources/conflict-histories/sri-lanka.aspx">http://www.crisisgroup.org/en/key-issues/research-resources/conflict-histories/sri-lanka.aspx</a> >, viewed 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2010.

#### *Recommended reading:*

Bartholomeusz, Tessa J., 'In Defense of Dharma: Just-War Ideology in Buddhist Sri Lanka', in Torkel Brekke, ed., *The Ethics of War in Asian Civilisations: A Comparative Perspective* (London; New York: Routledge, 2006), pp.145-156, available at <<http://www.buddhistethics.org/13/vroom-review.pdf>>, viewed 12<sup>th</sup> June 2010.

Deegalle, Mahinda, 'Norms of War in Theravada Buddhism', in Vesselin Popovski, Gregory M. Reichberg & Nicholas Turner, eds., *World Religions and Norms of War* (New York: United Nations University Press, 2009), pp. 60-86.

Harris, Elizabeth J., 'Buddhism and the Justification of War: A Case Study from Sri Lanka' in Paul Robinson, ed., *Just War in Comparative Perspective* (Aldershot, Hampshire: Ashgate, 2003), pp. 93-108.

Harvey, Peter, 'Resources for Dissolving Conflict in Theravada Buddhism', in John W. Bowker, ed., *Conflict and Reconciliation: The Contribution of Religions* (Toronto: The Key Publishing House Inc.: 2008), pp. 114-123.

Kent, Daniel W., 'Onward Buddhist Soldiers: Preaching to the Sri Lankan Army', in Mark Juergensmeyer & Michael Jerryson, eds., *Buddhist Warfare* (Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2010), pp. 157-178.

Neumaier, Eva K., 'Missed Opportunities: Buddhism and the Ethnic Strife in Sri Lanka and Tibet', in Harold Coward and Gordon S. Smith, eds., *Religion and Peacebuilding* (New York: State University of New York Press, 2004), pp. 69-92.

Seneviratne, H. L., 'Religion and Conflict: The Case of Buddhism in Sri Lanka', in Douglas Johnston ed., *Faith-Based Diplomacy: Trumping Realpolitik* (Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, 2003), pp. 76-90.

Sponberg, Alan, 'A. T. Ariyaratne and the Sarvodaya Shramadana Movement in Sri Lanka', in Christopher S. Queen & Sallie B. King, eds., *Engaged Buddhism: Buddhist liberation movements in Asia* (Albany: State University of New York Press, 1996), pp. 121-146.

*Further reading:*

Ariyaratne, A. T., 'Sarvodaya Shramadana's Approach to Peacebuilding', in David W. Chappell, ed., *Buddhist Peacework: Creating Cultures of Peace* (Boston, Mass: Wisdom Publications, 1999), pp. 69-77.

Bartholomeusz, Tessa J., *In Defense of Dharma: Just-war Ideology In Buddhist Sri Lanka* (New York: Routledge Curzon, 2002).

Deegalle, Mahinda, ed., *Buddhism, Conflict & Violence in Modern Sri Lanka* (Abingdon; New York: Routledge, 2006).

Juergensmeyer, Mark, 'Sri Lanka', in *Global Rebellion: Religious Challenges to the Secular State, from Christian Militias to Al Qaeda* (Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2008), pp. 125-135.

Pararajasingham, Ana, ed., *Sri Lanka: 60 Years of 'Independence' and Beyond* (Sydney: CJD, 2010), available at (<http://www.cjdonline.org/cj/en/page/71/Book%20Download>, viewed 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2010).

Religions for Peace, 'Jaffna Declaration of Religious Leaders', (2007), available at <<http://religionsforpeace.org/news/statements/statement-by-religious.html>>, viewed 31<sup>st</sup> May 2010.

Rotberg, Robert I., ed., *Creating Peace in Sri Lanka: Civil War & Reconciliation* (Cambridge, Mass.; Brookings Institute Press, 1999).

Tambiah, Stanley Jeyaraja, *Buddhism Betrayed?: Religion, Politics, and Violence in Sri Lanka* (Chicago: Chicago University Press, 1992).

**Week 9 Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

**Case Study: Nigeria**

Ms Leticia Anderson, CPACS

In this session, we will examine the role of religion in perpetuating violence and war in Nigeria, the politics of religion and the potential for religion to underpin a politics of peace in the region.

This session will consider the role of religion in the generation of conflict in Nigeria and the promotion of peace. How and why have religious leaders justified and invoked violence? Why was there widespread popular support for these appeals? The role of critics of and dissenters from these traditions, and the nature of the forces which to some extent have curbed religious violence, will also be considered. Finally, we will consider in what ways the role of religion in present-day Nigeria may be more conducive to violence or peace, and discuss strategies for the reduction of violent conflict.

*N.B. The first part of this class will be a showing of excerpts from the documentary 'The Imam and the Pastor'. The second part of the seminar will be devoted to group presentations which will deepen our understanding of the issues addressed in the film.*

*Class readings:*

Ashafa, Muhammad, & Wuye, James, 'Warriors and Brothers', in David Little, ed., <i>Peacemakers in Action: Profiles of Religion in Conflict Resolution</i> (New York, Cambridge University Press, 2007), pp. 247-277.
Paden, John N., 'Sources of Nigerian Influence and Significance' and 'Challenges of Nation-Building', in <i>Faith and politics in Nigeria: Nigeria as a Pivotal State in the Muslim World</i> (Washington, DC: USIP, 2008), pp. 17-27, 58-65.
Osaghae, Eghosa E., and Suberu, Rotimi T., <i>A History of Identities, Violence, and Stability in Nigeria</i> , CRISE Working Paper No. 6 (Oxford: Centre for Research on Inequality, Human Security and Ethnicity), pp. 14-27.
Smock, David, <i>On the Issues: Nigeria</i> (Washington, DC: USIP, 2010), available at <a href="http://www.usip.org/resources/the-issues-nigeria">http://www.usip.org/resources/the-issues-nigeria</a> , viewed 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2010.

*Recommended readings:*

Initiatives of Change, *The Imam and the Pastor: A Documentary Film from the Heart of Africa* (London: FLT Films, 2006).

El Fadl, Khaled Abou, 'Conflict Resolution as a Normative Value in Islamic Law: Handling Disputes with Non-Muslims', in Douglas Johnston ed., *Faith-Based Diplomacy: Trumping Realpolitik* (Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, 2003), pp. 178-209.

Falola, Toyin, *Violence in Nigeria: The Crisis of Religious Politics and Secular Ideologies* (Rochester, N.Y. ; Woodbridge : University of Rochester Press, 1998).

Haynes, Jeffrey, 'Conflict, Conflict Resolution and Peace-Building: The Role of Religion in Mozambique, Nigeria and Cambodia', *Commonwealth & Comparative Politics*, 47:1 (2009), pp. 52-75.

Sampson, Cynthia, 'To Make Real the Bond Between Us All: Quaker Conciliation During the Nigerian Civil War' in Douglas Johnston, & Cynthia Sampson, eds., *Religion, The Missing Dimension of Statecraft* (New York: OUP, 1994), pp. 88-118.

*Further reading:*

Ellis, Stephen and Ter Haar, Gerrie, *Worlds of Power: Religious Thought and Political Practice in Africa* (London: C. Hurst, 2004).

Korieh, Jacob G. & Nwokeji, Ugo, eds., *Religion, History, and Politics in Nigeria: Essays in Honor of Ogbu U. Kalu* (Lanham, Maryland: University Press of America, 2005).

Ngala, Joseph Adero, 'The Christian Church as a Peacemaker in Africa: Challenges and Opportunities', in Gerrie ter Haar and James J. Busuttil, eds., *Bridge or Barrier: Religion, Violence and Visions for Peace* (Leiden; Boston: Brill Academic Publishers, 2005), pp. 153-168.

Miller, Donald E., ed., *Seeking Peace in Africa: Stories from African Peacemakers* (Telford, P.A.: Cascadia Press, 2007).

Tapkida, Gopar, 'Christian-Muslim Relations in Nigeria: Mennonite Central Committee and Multi-Faith Peacebuilding', in Peter Dula & Alain Epp-Weaver, eds., *Borders and Bridges: Mennonite Witness in a Religiously Diverse World* (Telford, P.A.: Cascadia Press, 2007), pp. 43-56.

Wuye, James & Ashafa, Muhammad, 'The Pastor and the Imam: The Muslim-Christian Dialogue Forum in Nigeria', in Paul van Tongeren et al., eds., *People Building Peace II: Successful Stories of Civil Society* (Boulder, Colorado: Lynne Rienner, 2005), pp. 226-232.

**Week 10 Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October**

**Religious Violence, Sectarianism and Identity**

*Ms Leticia Anderson & Ms Neven Bondokji, CPACS*

Why does religion often find itself at the core of geopolitical conflicts? What is the role of religion in fostering a sense of cultural, social and political identity, and why might such collective self-representations play a role in igniting violence and furthering conflict? Is it possible to separate secular geopolitical concerns from such 'sacred' concerns as identity and belief? How can one explain religious sectarianism, the will of a group to differentiate itself even further from the mainstream of either society or accepted and commonly practised religious beliefs? What light does history shed on the role of religion generating or curbing violence?

This session will include a class debate on what are today highly relevant issues. In our debate, we will also discuss key theoretical approaches, including the important contributions of René Girard to understanding religious violence, as well as Huntington's controversial thesis on the clash of civilizations and its close relationship to religious violence.

*Required reading:*

Juergensmeyer, Mark, 'Why Religious Confrontations are Violent' & 'The Future of Religious Rebellions', in <i>Global Rebellion: Religious Challenges to the Secular State, from Christian Militias to Al Qaeda</i> (Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2008), pp. 212-220 and 252-257.
Huntington, Samuel P., 'The Clash of Civilisations', in David P. Barash, ed., <i>Approaches to Peace: A Reader in Peace and Conflict Studies</i> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edt. (Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2010), p. 120-126.
Pape, Robert, 'Dying to Win: The Strategic Logic of Suicide Terrorism', in David P. Barash, ed., <i>Approaches to Peace: A Reader in Peace and Conflict Studies</i> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edt. (Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2010), p. 136-139.

Girard, René, 'Sacrifice', in *Violence and the Sacred*, trans. Patrick Gregory (Baltimore: John Hopkins University Press, 1979), pp. 1-11, 14-23.

Johnson, James Turner, *The Holy War Idea in Western and Islamic Traditions* (University Park: Pennsylvania State University Press, 1997), pp. 29-39.

*Recommended reading:*

Dolnik, Adam & Gunaratna, Rohan, 'On the Nature of Religious Terrorism', in Jeffrey Haynes, ed., *Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics* (London; New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 343-350.

Haynes, Jeffrey, 'Religious Fundamentalisms', in Jeffrey Haynes, ed., *Routledge Handbook of Religion and Politics* (London; New York: Routledge, 2009), pp. 159-173.

Juergensmeyer, Mark, 'From Bhindranwale to Bin Laden: A Search for Understanding Religious Violence', in Linell E. Cady and Sheldon W. Simon, eds., *Religion and Conflict in South and South East Asia: Disrupting Violence* (London; New York: Routledge, 2007), pp. 21-30.

Juergensmeyer, Mark, 'Cosmic War' & 'The Mind of God' in *Terror in the Mind of God: The Global Rise of Religious Violence* (Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2000), pp. 148-166 & 219-249.

Khosrokhavar, Farhad, 'The Role of Humiliation', in *Inside Jihadism: Understanding Jihadi Movements Worldwide* (Boulder, London: Paradigm Publishers, 2009), pp. 196-200.

**Week 11 Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

**Faith-Based Peacemaking, Peacebuilding and Reconciliation**

Dr Wendy Lambourne, CPACS, with guests

What is faith-based peacebuilding? How can faith and religious practices be brought to bear on conflict resolution processes? Can pacifism, as understood as a basic moral principle by various religious groups and beliefs, play a constructive and pragmatic role in peacemaking or peacebuilding? As part of this discussion we will consider the role of religious values and approaches to support forgiveness and reconciliation as paths to peace. We will look at a number of examples of peace and reconciliation processes where religious leaders of groups have played a significant role.

*Class readings:*

Appleby, R. Scott, 'Retrieving the Missing Dimension of Statecraft: Religious Faith in the Service of Peacebuilding', in Douglas Johnston, ed., *Faith-Based Diplomacy: Trumping Realpolitik* (Oxford: Oxford UP, 2003), pp. 238-258.

Bartoli, Andrea, 'Learning from the Mozambique Process: The Role of the Community of Sant' Egidio', in Ronald J. Fisher, *Paving the Way: Contributions of Interactive Conflict Resolution to Peacemaking* (Lanham: Lexington Books, 2005), pp. 79-104.

Gopin, Marc, 'Conflict Resolution as a Religious Experience: Contemporary Mennonite Peacemaking' in *Between Eden and Armageddon: The Future of World Religions, Violence and Peacemaking* (Oxford: Oxford U.P., 2000), pp. 139-166.

Isaac, Ephraim, 'The Elder', in David Little, ed., *Peacemakers in Action: Profiles of Religion in Conflict Resolution* (New York, Cambridge University Press, 2007), pp. 151-185.

Tutu, Desmond, 'No Future Without Forgiveness', in David P. Barash, ed., *Approaches to Peace: A Reader in Peace and Conflict Studies*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed. (Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2010), p. 277-282.

*Recommended readings:*

Gopin, Marc, 'New Paradigms of Religion and Conflict Resolution: A Case Study of Judaism' in *Between Eden and Armageddon: The Future of World Religions, Violence and Peacemaking* (Oxford: Oxford U.P., 2000), pp. 167-195.

Johnston, Douglas, 'Faith-based Organizations: The Religious Dimensions of Peacebuilding', in Paul van Tongeren, ed., *People Building Peace II: Successful Stories of Civil Society* (Boulder, Colo. : Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2005), pp. 219-223.

Douglas Johnston & Brian Cox, 'Faith-Based Diplomacy and Preventive Engagement' in Douglas Johnston, ed., *Faith-Based Diplomacy: Trumping Realpolitik* (Oxford: Oxford UP, 2003), pp. 11-32.

Helmick, Raymond G. & Petersen, Rodney L., eds., *Forgiveness and Reconciliation: Religion, Public Policy, and Conflict Transformation* (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: Templeton Foundation Press, 2002).

Merry, Sally, 'Mennonite Peacebuilding and Conflict Transformation: A Cultural Analysis' in Cynthia Sampson & John Paul Lederach, eds., *From the Ground Up: Mennonite Contributions to International Peacebuilding* (Oxford: Oxford U.P., 2000), pp. 203-217.

Miller, Donald E., ed., *Seeking Peace in Africa: Stories from African Peacemakers* (Telford, P.A.: Cascadia Press, 2007).

Lederach, John Paul, *Building Peace: Sustainable Reconciliation in Divided Societies* (Washington: USIP, 1997).

Luttwak, Edward, 'Franco-German Reconciliation: The Overlooked Role Model of the Moral Re-Armament Movement', in Douglas Johnston & Cynthia Sampson, eds., *Religion, The Missing Dimension of Statecraft* (New York: OUP), pp. 37-63.

Philpott, Daniel, 'Reconciliation: An Ethic for Peacebuilding' in Daniel Philpott & Gerard F. Powers, *Strategies of Peace: Transforming Conflict in a Violent World* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010), pp. 91-118.

Saville, Heather, *Friends in Deed: 50 Years of Quaker Service Australia* (Sydney: Quaker Service Australia, 2009), pp. 2-3, 6-17, 329-331.

**Week 12 Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October**

**Interfaith Dialogue and Community-Building**

*Donna Jacobs Sife, Together for Humanity*

In this session we will focus on a discussion of religious and interfaith groups which promote peacebuilding, dialogue and reconciliation. We will critically examine the role of interfaith dialogue both locally and internationally for the purposes of trust building, conflict resolution and peacebuilding within pluralist contexts. We will explore answers to such questions in discussion with special guest Donna Jacobs Sife.

*Class readings:*

Abu-Nimer, Mohammed, Khoury, Amal, and Welty, Emily, 'Interfaith Dialogue: Basic Concepts and Approaches', in <i>Unity in Diversity: Interfaith Dialogue in the Middle East</i> (Washington, D.C.: USIP Press, 2007), pp. 7-27, 37-41.
Landau, Yehezkiel, 'An Open House', in David Little, ed., <i>Peacemakers in Action: Profiles of Religion in Conflict Resolution</i> (New York, Cambridge University Press, 2007), pp. 247-277.

<p>Chacour, Abuna Elias, 'I am Palestinian, Arab, Christian and Israeli', in David Little, ed., <i>Peacemakers in Action: Profiles of Religion in Conflict Resolution</i> (New York, Cambridge University Press, 2007), pp. 321-341.</p>
<p>Ramadan, Tariq, 'Interreligious Dialogue', in <i>Western Muslims and the Future of Islam</i> (Oxford: Oxford U.P., 2004), pp. 200-204, 208-213.</p>

*Recommended readings:*

Abu-Nimer, Mohammed, Khoury, Amal I., and Welty, Emily, 'The Nature and Types of Interfaith Peace and Dialogue Efforts in the Middle East', in *Unity in Diversity: Interfaith Dialogue in the Middle East* (Washington, D.C.: United States Institute of Peace Press, 2007), pp. 207-232.

Abu-Nimer, Mohammed, 'Interfaith Dialogue in Israel-Palestine: Real Contribution or Venting Mechanism?', *Common Ground News Service* (28 January 2006), <<http://www.commongroundnews.org/article.php?id=1432&lan=en&sid=0&sp=0>>, viewed 26<sup>th</sup> April 2010.

Cilliers, J., 'Building Bridges for Interfaith Dialogue' in David R. Smock, ed., *Interfaith Dialogue and Peacebuilding* (Washington, D.C.: United States Institute of Peace Press, 2002), pp. 47-60.

Gopin, Mark, 'The Use of the Word and its Limits: A Critical Evaluation of Religious Dialogue as Peacemaking', in David R. Smock, ed., *Interfaith Dialogue and Peacebuilding* (Washington, D.C.: United States Institute of Peace Press, 2002), pp. 33-46.

Smith, Jane I., 'New Directions in Dialogue', in *Muslims, Christians, and the Challenge of Interfaith Dialogue* (Oxford: Oxford U.P., 2007), pp. 141-160.

Together for Humanity, *About Us* (Sydney: Together for Humanity Foundation, 2010), <<http://togetherforhumanity.org.au/>>, viewed 20<sup>th</sup> July 2010.

**Week 13 Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October**

**Towards Peaceful Communities**

*Ms Leticia Anderson, Centre for Peace & Conflict Studies*

In this session we will address some of the challenges in finding a global ethic for peace and nonviolence in the context of globalisation and religious diversity. This discussion will consider the implications for the political process of understanding how religion can be used and misused to support war and violence, and how the peace and nonviolence traditions of different faiths can be used as a resource for promoting peaceful coexistence.

*Required reading:*

<p>Carter, Judy, &amp; Smith, Gordon H., 'Religious Peacebuilding: From Potential to Action', in Harold Coward and Gordon S. Smith, eds., <i>Religion and Peacebuilding</i> (New York: State University of New York Press, 2004), pp. 279-301.</p>
<p>Thomas, Scott M., 'The Soul of the World? Religious Non-State Actors and International Relations Theory' in <i>The Global Resurgence of Religion and the Transformation of International Relations: The Struggle for the Soul of the Twenty-first Century</i> (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2005), pp. 97-118.</p>
<p>Saunders, Harold H., 'Relational Realism: Toward a New Political Paradigm for Peace' in Robert A. Seiple &amp; Dennis R. Hoover, eds., <i>Religion and Security: The New Nexus in International Relations</i>, Lanham, Maryland: Rowman &amp; Littlefield, 2004), pp. 163-174.</p>

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### Journals

<i>Catholic University Law Review</i>	Fisher Electronic Access
<i>Ethics</i>	Research Journals 170.5 2 & Electronic Access
<i>Ethics and International Affairs</i>	Fisher Electronic Access
<i>Journal of Military Ethics</i>	Fisher Electronic Access
<i>Journal of Peace Research</i>	Law Journals (until 1999)
<i>Journal of Religious Ethics</i>	Research Journals 291.505 1 & Electronic Access
<i>Terrorism and Political Violence</i>	Fisher Electronic Access
<i>Religion and Politics</i>	Fisher Electronic Access
<i>Peace and Change: A Journal of Peace Research</i>	Research Journals 327.105 1 & Electronic Access
<i>Philosophy and Public Affairs</i>	Research Journals 301.05 25 & Electronic Access

### Websites

Boston Theological Institute	<a href="http://www.bostontheological.org/">http://www.bostontheological.org/</a>
Initiatives of Change International	<a href="http://www.iofc.org/">http://www.iofc.org/</a>

Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies (New Delhi, India)	<a href="http://www.ipcs.org/">http://www.ipcs.org/</a>
International Centre for Religion & Diplomacy	<a href="http://www.icrd.org">http://www.icrd.org</a>
International Fellowship for Reconciliation	<a href="http://www.ifor.org/">http://www.ifor.org/</a>
Life and Peace Institute	<a href="http://www.life-peace.org/">http://www.life-peace.org/</a>
Pax Christi International	<a href="http://www.paxchristi.net/">http://www.paxchristi.net/</a>
Parliament of the World's Religions	<a href="http://www.parliamentofreligions.org">http://www.parliamentofreligions.org</a>
Religion and Ethics in War and Peace-Making (Cambridge University)	<a href="http://relwar.wordpress.com/">http://relwar.wordpress.com/</a>
Peace and Justice Education Resources	<a href="http://www.iona.edu/library/resins/peace.htm">http://www.iona.edu/library/resins/peace.htm</a>
Religion Facts	<a href="http://www.religionfacts.com">http://www.religionfacts.com</a>
Religions for Peace (formerly World Conference on Religions for Peace)	<a href="http://www.wcrp.org/">http://www.wcrp.org/</a>
United Religions Initiative	<a href="http://www.uri.org/">http://www.uri.org/</a>
United States Institute of Peace	<a href="http://www.usip.org">http://www.usip.org</a>
United States Institute of Peace (Religion & Peacemaking)	<a href="http://www.usip.org/religionpeace/index.html">http://www.usip.org/religionpeace/index.html</a>
World Council of Churches	<a href="http://www.wcc-coe.org/">http://www.wcc-coe.org/</a>
World Council of Religions for Peace	<a href="http://www.wcrp.org/">http://www.wcrp.org/</a>

## 8. Student Support

If you are experiencing difficulties with your studies, or if you want general assistance, there are a number of University support services for students, available at the links below. For full details on these services, see also the Unit's *eLearning* site on student services ([Home Page](#) › [Weblinks](#) › [Student Services](#)).

Please also speak with the Unit Coordinator rather than missing lectures, tutorials or failing to complete all assessment tasks.

Fisher Library – skills classes	<a href="http://www.library.usyd.edu.au/libraries/fisher/skills">http://www.library.usyd.edu.au/libraries/fisher/skills</a>
Learning Centre	<a href="http://www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv/learning_centre/course.shtml#well">http://www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv/learning_centre/course.shtml#well</a>
Student Organisations	<a href="http://www.usyd.edu.au/fstudent/studentOrganisations.shtml">http://www.usyd.edu.au/fstudent/studentOrganisations.shtml</a>
Student Services	<a href="http://www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv/s_serv.shtml">http://www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv/s_serv.shtml</a>
Sydney University Postgraduate Representative Association	<a href="http://www.usyd.edu.au/supra/">http://www.usyd.edu.au/supra/</a>