

ABOUT PEACE AND CONFLICT CENTRE

The Makerere University Peace and Conflict Center is an academic unit of Makerere University established to contribute to the culture of peace through teaching, training, research, publication and community outreach in the Great Lakes Region. The programme brings together a pool of experts: primarily lecturers and other academic staff from all conflict-related disciplines such as law, social and political sciences, economics, psychology and religion.

As an academic unit of the University, our interest is to contribute to efficiency and effectiveness in the analysis and response to conflict transformation processes undertaken by government, the UN, INGOs, NGOs, cultural institutions, religious organizations, and the private sector.

We seek to enhance and facilitate the ability of stakeholders transform violent conflicts through efficient, effective and sustainable events and processes. We work in partnership with partners and clients to provide expertise in the area of peace building and conflict transformation. We ensure that our partnership with clients enhances their capacity to sustain their interventions.

Our Vision

Communities where a culture of peace is promoted and practiced

Our Mission

Contributing to the development of a culture of peace through teaching, training, research, publication and community outreach in the Great Lakes region

Overall Aim

To bridge the information, knowledge and skills gap by offering expert services in the field of Peace Building, Conflict Resolution and Conflict Transformation – through research, teaching and training.

Specific objectives:

1. To integrate practical learning into the programme curriculum in an attempt to underpin a culture of peace and non-violence in Uganda
2. To promote peace and conflict studies as a cross-cutting theme by bringing in lecturers from all conflict-related disciplines such as law, social and political sciences, economics, psychology and religion
3. To undertake research, monitoring, evaluation and documentation on peace and conflict-related issues, particularly:

- Mediation

- African traditional mechanisms of conflict resolution
- Governance and conflict
- Ethnicity, culture and conflict

Our core competencies

- Strategic conflict analysis – through applied research and analysis to highlight root/underlying causes of conflicts
- Conflict mapping and assessment
- Design, Monitoring and Evaluation of peace and conflict programmes
- Conducting conflict Impact assessments
- Conflict sensitive approaches to development
- Peace and conflict research
- Training & capacity development
- Research
- Training
- Dissemination
- Programme review
- Programme design and development
- Facilitation
- Dialogue
- Mediation
- Baseline Studies
- Peace Research
- Proposal Development
- Needs Assessments
- Feasibility Studies
- Peace Advocacy
- Curriculum design

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