

MASTER OF ARTS IN CONFLICT RESOLUTION



A one-of-a-kind, interdisciplinary program for people committed to peace and justice. Taught by experts with years of real-world experiences, the degree provides excellent preparation to enter the fast-growing field of mediation as well as other human-centered careers.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Students with at least three years of work experience under their belt. All undergraduate backgrounds are welcome, however many students enter with degrees in sociology, communication, human services, counseling, psychology, criminology, or law.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

3.0 GPA, No standardized exam, must have at least three years of work experience, otherwise an age waiver form needs to be submitted.

COST:

\$575/credit hour; \$1,725/class;
\$20,700 for the full program

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

First semester begins with a scanned/ faxed paper form sent from your admission representative. Subsequent semesters are done online by the student.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Three semesters per year: fall, spring and summer.

DELIVERY MODE:

Two on-ground five-day classes are required within the 12 course program (Thurs-Monday), however the remaining 10 courses can be completed in a fully online format.

LOCATION(S) OF COURSES:

Five-day intensive classes are held either on Dominican's River Forest Priory Campus or at the UC Grayslake campus. All remaining coursework can be completed online or out in the field.

TEXTBOOK PURCHASE:

Students may buy books online through sites like Amazon.com or

Chegg.com, accessed through Dominican's Rebecca Crown Library, or the Stepan Bookstore.

TRANSFER HOURS POLICY:

Up to six hours of graduate coursework, so long as it has not been applied to a previous degree. Dominican students in the BLS/BHS program may take additional courses to count toward both degrees.

TOTAL HOURS NEEDED:

36 credit hours in total

FINANCIAL AID INFO:

Contact Dominican's Office of Financial Aid at (708) 524-6809 for information.

SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS:

The two five-day required courses, MCR 601 Mediation Skills Training and MCR 607 Negotiations may be taken as stand-alone certification courses. Additionally, to earn a Graduate Certificate in Conflict Resolution, a student must complete those two courses paired with two other additional classes.

Although the semester runs for 16 weeks, the online courses are set up in an accelerated, eight-week format. Therefore, a part-time student enrolled in two courses per semester is really only taking one eight-week course at a time.

Students are required to take nine specific core courses, and then select three elective courses, either online classes, or practicum opportunities to get hands-on experience out in the field. We have various partnerships set up with Chicagoland schools, companies, non-profits and businesses so that students can learn first-hand.

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REQUIRED COURSES:

Nine required courses (27 credit hours) with the MA in Conflict Resolution:

MCR 601 Mediation Skills Training (3) -
Campus-based, five-day
intensive course

*We accept 40-hour training programs from DePaul University, Northwestern University or the Center for Conflict Resolution as a substitute

MCR 603 Traditional and Alternative
Dispute Resolution (3)

MCR 605 Ethics of Conflict Resolution
(3)

MCR 607 Negotiations (3) - Campus-
based, five-day intensive
course

MCR 609 Psychology of Conflict (3)

MCR 611 Interpersonal Communication
(3)

MCR 613 Intercultural Conflict
Resolution (3)

MCR 615 Religion and Conflict
Resolution (3)

MCR 623 Conflict Resolution in the
Workplace (3)

Three electives (9)

Graduate Certificate in Conflict Resolution requires MCR 601 Mediation Skills Training (3) and MCR 607 Negotiations (3) plus any two other additional courses.