

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Conflict, War and Strategies of Peace
Status: Definitive
Code: **5500IRICBT** (128519)
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Owning School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science
Teaching School/Faculty: International College of Business and Technology

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Academic Level: FHEQ5 **Credit Value:** 15 **Total Delivered Hours:** 45
Total Learning Hours: 150 **Private Study:** 105

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	45

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Presentation	AS1	10 minute power point presentation	50	
Essay	AS2	2000 word essay	50	

Aims

The aim of this module is to teach students the nature of international conflicts and wars along with possible strategies for their resolution

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Explain the trends in international armed conflicts and wars.
- 2 Describe the basic theoretical approaches to understanding the causes of armed conflicts.
- 3 Differentiate the schools of thought on handling armed conflicts.
- 4 Compare the different alternative dispute resolution methods that can be used to handle armed conflicts.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

10 minute powerpoint	1	2	3	4
2000 word essay	1	2	3	4

Outline Syllabus

1. *Introduction to Armed Conflicts: Nature and Types*
2. *Trends of Armed Conflicts*
3. *New wars and Conventional wars: Trends in Asymmetric warfare*
4. *Conflict Dynamics: ABC Triangle of Galtung*
5. *Basic Needs and Armed Conflict: Greed or Grievances*
6. *Rational Calculation Approach*
7. *Schools of Thought conflict handling: Conflict Prevention, Conflict Settlement, Conflict Management, Conflict Resolution and Conflict Transformation*
8. *Strategies of Peace: International Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding*
9. *Alternative Dispute Resolution for Armed Conflicts: Arbitration, Mediation, Negotiation and Facilitation*

Learning Activities

Lectures

Notes

Recommended reading:

Barash , D., & Webel, C. (2009). *Peace and Conflict Studies*. London: Sage.

John Baylis et al. (2010) *Strategy in the Contemporary World: An Introduction to Strategic Studies 3rd Edition* (Oxford University Press).