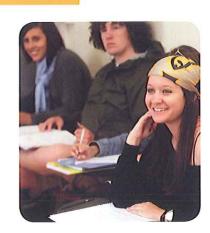


# Political Science and International Studies Peace Studies History

#### **POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES**

Globalization is undoubtedly contributing to the advancement and unification of many of the world's societies and cultures, but as with every major geo-political issue, there are two sides to every story. Globalization must also be considered a key factor in many of the world's conflicts today. LdM understands this important contrast and, through its relevant and in-depth course offerings in Political Science and International Studies, pays special attention to all aspects of the growing global community, from the increasingly interdependent economy to the specific challenges Italy faces in its as position as both an advocate and opponent of European integration.

Courses explore diverse issues concerning both business and government, and the relationships between the European Union, the United States, Italy and the entire world. Through an analysis of international organizations and the 20th century histories and political systems of Europe and Italy, LdM's curriculum places a strong emphasis on international relations, law and politics as they shape situations of high geo-political importance such as in the Middle East.





#### **PEACE STUDIES**

Few realize that Italy has a rich tradition in Peace Studies, conflict transformation and non-violence, ranging from pioneers of education like Maria Montessori and Lorenzo Milani to non-violent thinkers and activists such as Aldo Capitini and Danilo Dolci. Many LdM instructors in the field are active internationally as operators for peace. LdM courses in Peace Studies thus offer students an invaluable perspective on a range of issues of major concern in today's world, focusing on team building and individual and group development. Students study not only about areas of contemporary international conflict, but will also experience and learn methods that peacekeepers are currently using to prevent violence and foster peaceful approaches to conflict transformation. A one-semester certificate program - in collaboration with the University of Florence and National Conflict Resolution Center - enables students in most majors to gain a working knowledge of the field, complete with mediation skills.

## **HISTORY**

The comprehensive study of history and the dynamics of change help to better understand our increasingly complex world. The LdM Department of History's curriculum explores political, social, economic, cultural and intellectual changes of the past, providing students with a better appreciation of the historical roots of contemporary European and Italian society. Courses address the full span of Western history, from Ancient Rome to the contemporary world, devoting special attention to the dynamic histories of European and Italian societies. Students in the Three Cities semester program retrace millennia of history in a personal journey of discovery at three Italian locations. Regardless of site, all students find courses that delve into the magnificent and challenging heritage of Italy and Europe.



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#### COURSES ARE TAUGHT IN ENGLISH.

Please note that not all courses are available in each location or as part of each program. Consult the LdM Academic Catalogue for course descriptions and prerequisites.



#### Political Science and International Studies Courses at LdM include:

- Human Rights
- Modern Political Thought
- Globalization and its Consequences
- Modern European Politics
- War and Media
- Religion and Politics in the Middle East
- The European Union
- International Law
- · Introduction to Political Science
- International Politics
- Italy and the EU
- · Government and Business
- Modern Italy
- From Plato to Machiavelli: Classical Political Thought
- Comparative Politics: Latin America, Asia and the European Union
- · NGOs in Global Politics
- The Italian Political System
- Peacekeeping
- Interest Representation and Lobbying in the European Union

# Peace Studies Courses at LdM include:

- Anthropology of Violence and Conflict
- War and Media
- Public Participation and Empowerment
- Peacekeeping
- Peace Education
- A Sociology for Peace
- International Conflict Resolution
- Introduction to the Theory and Practice of Conflict Resolution\*
- Advanced Conflict Dynamics\*

\*(open to students enrolled in International Conflict Transformation Certificate)

#### **Related courses:**

- Italy and the EU
- · The Italian Political System
- Interest Representation and Lobbying in the European Union
- NGOs in Global Politics
- European Union Law
- Europe Since 1945
- Modern Italy
- Comparative Politics: Latin America, Asia and the European Union
- History of Political Terrorism
- Religion and Politics in the Middle Fast
- From Plato to Machiavelli: Classical Political Thought
- · Globalization and Its Consequences



### **History Courses**

#### at LdM include:

- Western Civilization
- The Making of Modern Europe
- Ancient Mediterranean Civilization
- Greeks, Etruscans and Romans (Three Cities)
- Ancient Rome
- Florentia: The Ancient Roots of Florence
- Rasenna: The Etruscan Civilization
- Archaeology Field School: Accesa (Italy)
- Medieval Civilization and Culture
- Medieval and Renaissance Transitions (Three Cities)
- Italian Renaissance Civilization and Culture
- Rise and Fall of the Medici
- · Women of the Medici
- · The Renaissance Theory of Love
- · Lifestyle in Renaissance Florence
- The Social World of Renaissance Italy
- The Quarters of Florence: History and Culture
- History of the Venetian Republic
- · Venice and the East (Three Cities)
- The Jewish Experience in Italy: Traditions and Culture
- The Role of Magic in Renaissance Thought
- Muslims, Jews and Witches: Outsiders in Medieval and Renaissance Europe
- The Second World War
- History of Italian Fascism
- Europe since 1945
- Modern Italy
- · History of Global Migrations
- The Holocaust: Jewish and Christian Responses
- · History of Political Terrorism
- The 1960s: A Global Counter Cultural Movement
- The Catholic Church and Society in Italy

