



UNIVERSITY OF MANAGEMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

SCHOOL OF GOVERNANCE AND SOCIETY

COURSE OUTLINE

**PC201- Conflict Management, Resolution and
Transformation**

BS PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

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BS Public Administration
SPRING 2021

Class Timings—Monday 9:30 - 12:15 & 2:00 - 4:45 PM
Classroom: 2S44 & STD-319

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Duration	One Semester
Counseling Time	Monday 12:30 PM Or by appointment

Course Objective:

The objective of this course is to familiarize the students with the theoretical and empirical dimensions of political and armed conflicts. The course is designed to get the students to think critically about conventional approaches. The focus of the course will be on the nature, structure and resolution of conflicts with particular focus to the context of Pakistan.

Following questions will be explored: Why conflict occurs? In what major forms conflicts occur around the world? How a conflict (such as a civil war) is conducted? Who participates? What are the direct and indirect consequences of a conflict? What motivates the initiation of conflicts? How to analyze, manage, resolve and transform conflicts?

Grade Evaluation Criteria

Overall, UMT policy shall be followed in awarding final grades. Following distribution of marks shall be observed for evaluation:

Marks Evaluation	Marks Percentage
Mid Term Test	30 %
Attendance, Participation, Spot Test/ Assignment	20 %
Final Exam	50 %
Total	100 %

Course Conduct Modality

One or two articles or book chapters will be assigned each week. **Students are expected to read all readings prior to attempting their written or oral assignments.** Grading of each assignment will depend on the students' critical assessment of the readings. Understanding and critical commentary of the readings is essential. Persistent late submission may lead to disqualification from sitting in the Mid-term or Final Exams.

Assignment Description and Weekly Submission Schedule

Students will post their Written Assignments online by 9:00 pm Friday each week before the next class. The Assignments should be 2-3 pages in length—in Font Type Times New Roman, Font Size 12, double-spaced. The Assignment should demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the readings. Assignments should be written in concise prose—that is, sentences not phrases or bullets. You will be evaluated solely on your ability to think critically and write clearly, creatively, and originally. Plagiarism will fetch ZERO mark.

Readings—Text Book:

Charles Webel and Johan Galtung, 2007, Handbook of Peace and Conflict Studies.

Websites (consult regularly)

- http://www.scienceandworldaffairs.org/PDFs/Vol2No2_Demmers.pdf
- <http://www.haguepeace.org/index.php?action=resources>

Detailed Course Contents

Week 1: Orientation, Introduction, Discussion on Course Outline

Week 2: Introduction to Peace and Conflict Studies

- Chapter 1 – Charles Webel
- Types of Conflict & Resolution Techniques (Handouts)

Week 3: Introduction to Peace and Conflict Studies

- Chapter 2 -- Johan Galtung
- Humanistic Personality Theories by Freud & Maslow

Week 4: Types, causes and dynamics of armed conflicts

- Chapter 5 – Former Yugoslavia & Iraq, Charles Webel and Johan Galtung

Week 5: Ethnicity and civil war

- Chapter 3 – Negotiation & International Conflict, Charles Webel and Johan Galtung
- Fearon, J. D. (2006). Ethnic Mobilization and Ethnic Violence. Oxford Handbook of Political Economy. B. R. Weingast and D. Wittman. Oxford, Oxford University Press.

Week 6: Difference between conflict and war, and current trends in armed conflicts

- Chapter 4 – Mediation, Charles Webel and Johan Galtung
- Howard Brasted and Zahid Shahab Ahmed, The Political economy of Pakistan's War on terror.

Week 7: Major approaches in resolving conflicts within states and between states

- Chapter 6 – Peace Studies & Peace Politics, Charles Webel and Johan Galtung

Week 8. Midterm Exam

Week 9. Ethnic Conflict in Pakistan:

- Muhammad Feyyaz (2015): Religion, ethnicity, social organizations and terrorists' behavior – a case of Taliban movement in Pakistan, Behavioral Sciences of Terrorism and Political Aggression (Latest articles)
- Fiaz, N. (2012). Policy intervention in FATA: Why discourse matters. Journal of Strategic Security, 5(1), 49–62.
- Ethnicity and Ethnic Conflict in Pakistan, Gulshan Majeed
- Shuja Nawaz. (2009). FATA-A most dangerous place. (Monograph). Washington, DC: Centre for Strategic and International Studies.

Week 10. Ethnic Conflict in Pakistan (Contd from Week 9)

Week 11. Conflict and Policy

- Chapter 9: Conflict Transformation & Peace Building, Charles Webel and Johan Galtung
- Patterns of Conflict in Pakistan: Implications for Policy at Brookings The Brookings Institution 1775 Massachusetts Ave., NW Washington, D.C. 20036-2103 www.brookings.edu The Brookings Project on U.S. Relations with the Islamic World, Mohammad Waseem

Week 12. Conflict and Politics

- Chapter 8: Nuclear Disarmament, Charles Webel and Johan Galtung
- Political Development and Conflict Resolution in Pakistan [with Comments] Author(s): Mohammad Waseem and Sikandar Hayat Source: The Pakistan Development Review, Vol. 36, No. 4, Papers and Proceedings PART II Thirteenth Annual General Meeting and Conference of the Pakistan Society of Development Economists Islamabad, December 15-17, 1997 (Winter 1997), pp. 715-742 Published by: Pakistan Institute of Development Economics, Islamabad Stable URL: <https://www.jstor.org/stable/41260066>

Week 13. Creating Peace

- Chapter 12, Reconciliation, Charles Webel and Johan Galtung
- Horizontal Inequalities and Violent Conflict in Pakistan: Is There a Link? Author(s): SADIA M MALIK Source: Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. 44, No. 34 (AUGUST 22-28, 2009), pp. 21-24 Published by: Economic and Political Weekly Stable URL: <https://www.jstor.org/stable/25663465>

Week 14. Supporting Peace

- Chapter 17: Peace Psychology – Theory & Practice, Charles Webel and Johan Galtung
- An Empirical Investigation of the Relationship between Food Insecurity, Landlessness, and Violent Conflict in Pakistan Sadia Mariam Malik Pakistan Institute of Development Economics, Islamabad

Week 15. Root Causes of Conflict: Some Conclusions

- Chapter 20: The Spirit of War & Peace, Charles Webel and Johan Galtung
- The Root Causes of Conflict: Some Conclusions by Frances Stewart

Week 16. Final Exam

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**ALL WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE SUBMITTED ON THE
REQUIRED DAYS/ TIMES IRRESPECTIVE OF THE DATES OF THE
MID-TERM AND FINAL EXAMS.**