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PCSJ Conference 2022

Power from below for a more just and durable peace

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A Call for Conference Submissions – Due Jan 31, 2022

As shifts and changes buffet societies across the globe, we turn our imaginations toward the future, designing ways forward. Questions about public health, international relations, decolonizing institutions, and global political systems intersecting with progress, sustainability, and various forms of justice indicate gaps—sometimes chasms—between reality and scholarship in peace and conflict resolution studies. Grappling with the praxis of peace and conflict indicates further divides, some emergent, while others are the result of calculated efforts over time. How do we then bridge these cosmopolitan fractures? How do we mend communities and weave a social fabric of resilience in the face of contemporary conflict dynamics?

The objective of our second conference will be to contemplate the tools and strategies we might use to further peace and mitigate conflict on a global scale, within local contexts. Proposals and presentations are invited to explore the theme of *power from below for a more just and durable peace*. Worldwide we can observe the phenomenon of interest-sharing groups and communities organizing and demonstrating for various perceived rights and freedoms. This “power from below” can manifest itself in nonviolent people-power, or in political violence. We invite all, and especially our current and past authors, to submit an empirical analysis, a case study, a thematic analysis across multiple cases, or a general perspective for understanding critical constructions of peace and conflict; conflict management and mitigation; and peacebuilding.

Prospective authors should submit a proposal (approx. 300 words) to the Journal by Dec. 20, 2021. The link is here: https://nsuworks.nova.edu/pcs_conference/. The proposal should convey the findings, methodology (if applicable), and contributions of the study to the field of peace and conflict resolution. Qualitative, quantitative, and mixed-methods studies, as well as empirically-grounded practitioner perspectives, are welcomed.

Further guidance may be obtained from the general description for PCS that follows. The Journal's website is at <https://nsuworks.nova.edu/pcs/>.

Peace and Conflict Studies (ISSN 1082-7307) is committed to interdisciplinary explorations on conflict resolution, peace building, humanitarian assistance, and other alternative mechanisms that seek to prevent and control violence. *PCS* is interested in these areas of focus for social change and nonviolence:

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personal communication | <input type="checkbox"/> peace education |

Manuscripts may also address various human experiences, social issues, and policy agendas that are connected to the research literature, practice, and experiential learning in the fields.

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