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Overview

The Ph.D. program in Conflict Analysis & Resolution trains students in the skills and techniques of practice, interdisciplinary research, policy and program development, historical critique, cultural analysis, and theoretical foundations of the field. The mission of the doctoral program is to advance the study and practice of conflict analysis and resolution by mentoring and developing practitioners trained in theory, practice, research, teaching, and informed leadership in the field. Students pursue an in-depth study in the field of conflict resolution while drawing from a variety of theoretical perspectives and the knowledge of an experienced, interdisciplinary faculty.

The 76-credit hour degree program is designed to prepare graduate students for careers as advanced practitioners, college and university educators, researchers, theoreticians, consultants, program evaluators, and organization administrators. The Ph.D. program is offered in both residential and distance learning formats. These flexible formats allow mid-career working adults and those unable to attend the on-campus program, to study conflict resolution in a creative, rigorous, and structured fashion. The distance learning Ph.D. program is one of the few offered nationally in the fields of peacemaking and conflict resolution. Students enrolled in the distance learning program participate in Residential Institutes on the main campus twice per year, as well as online Web-based courses.

The Ph.D. program focuses on improving skills for reflective practice, understanding and mastering qualitative and quantitative research knowledge and analysis, developing professional leadership skills, and producing publications of quality and substance.

In addition to core courses, students may pursue concentrations in the following areas:

- Conflict & Crisis Management
- Culture and Ethnic Conflict
- International Peace and Conflict
- Conflict in Organizations, Schools

Transferring Credits

Applicants to our Ph.D. program can transfer up to 24 credits from a Master's degree in a related field.

Program Formats

The PhD program is offered in both residential and distance learning formats. Students may enroll on a full time (9 credits per trimester) or part time (6 credits per semester) basis. Students who attend full-time can expect to complete the program's coursework in 2 ½ years, followed by dissertation. Part-time students will complete the program's coursework in 4 years, followed by dissertation. Courses are offered during 3 terms a year: Fall, Winter, and Summer.

Students taking distance learning classes are required to attend two Residential Institutes (RI) per academic year. Each RI is 5 days. Currently the RIs are held in the fall and winter, in February and late September or October. Please visit the [Residential Institute page](#) for current information.

Doctoral students are provided NSU computer accounts including email and Blackboard, but must obtain their own Internet service providers, use their own computer systems and have a usable web camera. Distance learning students use the web to access course materials, announcements, email, distance library services, subscription library databases, and other information, and for interaction with faculty and fellow students. Online, interactive learning methods are based on the use of Blackboard as a course management system. Online activities facilitate frequent student-to-faculty and student-to-student interaction. They are supported by threaded discussion boards, white boards, chat rooms, email, and multimedia presentations. In addition, Blackboard enables students to submit assignments online in multimedia formats and to receive their professors' reviews of assignments online in the same formats.