

GREENFIELD COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE STUDIES LIBERAL ARTS OPTION  
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Dear Prospective Student,

Thank you for your interest in the Peace and Social Justice Studies Program at Greenfield Community College. This Associate of Liberal Arts degree program was first developed in 2006 to allow you to study social justice and its relationship to nonviolence; to develop conflict resolution skills and to become involved with the local, regional and global issues that affect us today. It is part of a Liberal Arts degree, which enables you to transfer to numerous accredited public and private four year programs in the area.

Graduates of this liberal arts option will develop the skills listed above and will be able to find rewarding careers in many fields, including education, law, diplomatic and government services, social services, international relations, military, labor movement, humanitarian relief and emergency preparedness, international development agencies, United Nations and related agencies (UNICEF/UNESCO), peace research, ecology and environmental work, architecture, mediation and conflict resolution, theology/ministry, communications and NGO's (nongovernmental organizations) such as Amnesty International, Oxfam, Human Rights Watch, etc.

GCC offers the advantages of smaller classes, lower cost, individualized attention, part-time employment, and free tutorial and instructional help. The program has a strong advisement process and more faculty-student interaction than is found at many other institutions. **And most importantly, GCC is one of only a handful of peace studies programs in community colleges in the United States!** We are part of a quickly growing educational discipline in the study of peace and social justice that follows a similar path of women's studies and environmental studies.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 413-775-1127 or come by the college in person. You are welcome to visit a class, or to make an appointment to discuss the Peace and Social Justice Option—just call me to schedule. Check out the website at <http://www.gcc.mass.edu/departments/psj>. I hope that you choose to apply for admission to GCC, as I believe it provides an excellent and affordable educational opportunity. ***Consider becoming involved with the local, regional and global issues that affect us today. Find your voice and learn new ways for resolving conflicts and understanding differences!***

Sincerely,

Abbie Jenks, MSW/Advisor of Peace and Social Justice Studies

