Unitar Online Catalogue

Conflict series: 1. What is conflict? - PTP.2026.01

Peace

Type:	Course
Location:	Web-based
Duration:	1 Days
Thematic Area:	Peacekeeping
Website:	https://unitar.org/sustainable-development-goals/peace/our-portfolio/online-lea...
Price:	$0.00
Event Focal Point Email:	ptp@unitar.org

BACKGROUND

The conflict series is an open, self-paced course meant to provide an introduction to conflict studies and more advanced courses in conflictology.

EVENT OBJECTIVES

The first of a series of three, this short course explores the meaning of conflict. Drawing upon different definitions and tools, its goal is to create a basic baggage of knowledge, which can then be expanded in further courses in conflict analysis

and resolution.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Provide a definition of the meaning of conflict;
- Describe the sources, complexity, role and pyramid of actors in conflict.

CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

The course is composed of six sections:

- Section 1: Kilmann conflict character type test
- Section 2: What is the meaning of conflict?
- Section 3: What are the sources of conflict?
- Section 4: The complexity of conflict
- Section 5: Evolution of conflict
- Section 6: Actors in conflict

The average work time is estimated at 4 hours.

METHODOLOGY

The course is a self-guided, self-paced, web-based course that is on-going and can be accessed at any time. The material is presented in an interactive visual and text format with web-based reference resources. Multiple choice quizzes at the end of each lesson serve a dual function of assessing and evaluating the students' understanding and retention and provide a further didactic function by reviewing the content.

At the successful completion of the course participants will be awarded with a badge.

TARGETED AUDIENCE

Primary audience: The course is designed for anyone who has an interest and curiosity in conflict studies.

Secondary audience: The course is geared towards anyone who wishes to garner a baggage of basic knowledge to then pursue more advanced courses in conflictology, notably UNITAR's Master degree in Conflict, Peace and Security.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Technical Requirements

UNITAR recommends the following as a minimum in hardware and software to take our e-Learning courses. Please consult your Network Administrator or Systems person to ensure that you have the following:

Hardware requirements

- Desktop or laptop computer with Windows 10 or MacOS version 11 and later

- Tablet or mobile devices are not fully supported on some course tools

- Stable LAN or Wifi Internet connection

Browser

- Latest version of Mozilla Firefox (download for free at https://www.mozilla.org)

- Latest version of Google Chrome (download for free at https://www.google.com/chrome)

- Microsoft Edge or Safari (included in your computer)

Other software

- PDF reader (download for free at https://get.adobe.com/uk/reader)

- Microsoft Office for Windows or MacOS (compatible software can be downloaded at http://www.openoffice.org/)

- Video player (Quicktime for MacOS, Windows Media Player or compatible video player)

- Anti-virus

Other requirements

- Disable Pop-up blockers

- Enable cookies and java

- webcam and audio headset for courses that will require online meetings

- additional storage in case you need to download course materials