



**Wisconsin Institute for Peace and
Conflict Studies 21st Annual
Conference, November 3-5, 2005
"Reexamining Human Rights"**

Marian College, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

The Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies and Marian College invite you to Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, November 3-5, 2005, for an interdisciplinary conference.

Human rights is a perennial focus for peace and conflict studies, and such key concepts benefit from continual reexamination in, through, and across different professions, fields of service, and academic disciplines. This conference invites participation from interested parties of any background to join in our planned critical reflection on how human rights can and ought to be pursued in the foreseeable future.

Keynote Speaker

The keynote speaker for the conference will be **Dr. John Davies**. Dr. Davies is currently co-director of the Partners in Conflict and Partners in Peacebuilding Projects, and Senior Faculty Associate with the Center for International Development and Conflict Management (CIDCM), Department of Government and Politics, at the University of Maryland. His talk will be "**Human Rights, Human Needs, and Human Nature: Approaches to Peace.**"

The conference will offer panels and round tables on themes including:

- Human Rights and the Helping Professions
- Arguing for Human Rights
- Human Rights vs. Human Security Needs
- Oil, Violence, and Ethnocide in Colombia
- Tu Weiming's Confucian Account of Human Rights
- Violation of Human Rights in Southern Cameroon
- Freedom from Poverty as a Human Right
- Human Rights in Peace Negotiations
- Human Rights in Opposition to War
- Locke, Slavery, Universal Rights, and Natural Law
- Self-Determination in World History
- Cuba: Ideological Success or Ideological Failure?
- Cinco Siglos Igual
- Continuing Quest for Justice in Argentina and Chile
- Africa and the Dilemma of Human Rights
- Human Rights in the Undergraduate Curriculum

Registration fees received after October 1, 2005: \$80 (\$60 for Wisconsin Institute donors and graduate students)

More information and a registration form are on our Web site at www.wisconsin-institute.org. You may also contact the conference organizer, Brandon Claycomb, at (920) 923-8083 or bclaycomb@mariancollege.edu.

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From the Executive Director's Desk...



Geoff Bradshaw

Emerson once wrote, "Life is a progress, not a station." As I reflect on this new year with the Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies, I am reminded of how true this statement is. As of this fall, WIPCS is being transformed by numerous changes in personnel, myself among them. In fact, the officers of the Institute have undergone a complete turnover in the last year. While this moment of change stems from coincidences in timing rather than changes in philosophy or any differences of opinion, it is

inevitable that the Institute will experience at least some growing pains over the next year, and perhaps even some opportunities to reflect on the life of the Institute and our progress as an organization.

Eric Yonke has stepped aside after two years of leadership of the Institute to take a professional development sabbatical, during which he hopes to revitalize the Peace Studies curriculum at UWSP. Congratulations, Eric, on your leadership at the Institute and the opportunity to deepen long-term peace education efforts in the state.

Regarding my own background, I come to the executive directorship having been active with WIPCS since 1998. While my academic training is in the field of cultural anthropology, examining the cultural discourse of peace in the United States as manifested in popular culture, my current primary role is serving as the International Programs Coordinator at Madison Area Technical College, where I strive to integrate global awareness and intercultural communication into the whole college experience. I am also involved in several networks of NGOs, activists, and other practitioners of international development, peacemaking, and community development. I have gained a great deal, both personally and professionally, from my involvement with the Institute and it gives me great pleasure to offer my services as the executive director to help lead and sustain this organization in the upcoming year.

Also new to the leadership of the Institute is Terry Roehrig, who replaces Tom Bickford as associate director of WIPCS. Terry is associate professor and chair of history and political science at Cardinal Stritch University, with a significant research background in Korean politics and foreign relations. He is also the author of a 2004 book entitled, *The*

Prosecution of Former Military Leaders in Newly Democratic Nations: The Cases of Argentina, Greece, and South Korea. Terry has been an active member of WIPCS for several years and has regularly served as a member of our Speakers Program, delivering presentations on campuses throughout the state.

Despite our titles of executive and associate directors, the face of the Institute for most people who interact with the organization is that of our administrative director who handles the day-to-day business of the organization, scheduling speakers, answering questions, and maintaining our finances. That face for the last several years has been Sarah Stillwell, who has recently left this part-time position for full-time employment with UWSP in the department of admissions. Congratulations, Sarah, on your new role, and we are happy that you will continue to stay involved with the Institute as a member at large.

Replacing Sarah Stillwell as the administrative director is Kathryn Blakeman. Kathryn brings a wealth of experience to her new role with the Institute, including employment in Washington with the International Visitor Program run by USIA, at the University of Virginia, and at Baylor University, where she served as the senior editor at the Baylor Institute for Oral History for six years, editing transcribed oral history memoirs. She is already proving to be a great asset to our organization, and this newsletter is a testament to her hard work.

While all of us on the leadership team are feeling the largeness of the shoes we have been asked to fill, perhaps one of the most significant changes in the last year is the departure of Kent Shifferd (emeritus, Northland College) as the editor of the *Journal for the Study of Peace and Conflict*. Kent was one of the founders of the Wisconsin Institute and the organization's first associate director. When the journal was established in 1991, Kent was its first editor and in 2001 he resumed the editorship. Kent decided to withdraw as editor to focus his energy on his several other board memberships as well as retirement projects. Bill Skelton (emeritus, UWSP) has assumed editorship of the journal and is seeking publication submissions.

Hence, the Institute is in a state of progress, rather than fixed as a station. In this particular time of transition, I would like to take this time to thank all of those who have helped us reach this stage of our journey, and welcome and encourage those new members who will help to chart our course for the future.



Executive Director,
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Speakers Program 2005-2006

Member institutions! Take advantage of the 2005-2006 Speakers Program. Invite a speaker to give a guest lecture to a class, address a meeting of a campus organization, or participate in a conference. Participating institutions of the Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies may invite lecturers from the Speakers Program to speak on their campuses at no charge, subject to availability. This year there is an outstanding line-up of 47 talks offered by 19 faculty members from colleges and universities around Wisconsin. What a great way for faculty from member schools to share research and teaching interests! Go to our Web page, www.wisconsin-institute.org, for a complete list of talks and speakers and contact the Institute at winst@uwsp.edu or (715) 346-3383 to make arrangements.

New Associate Director



Terry Roehrig

Terry Roehrig is associate professor and chair of the History and Political Science Department at Cardinal Stritch University. He received his Ph.D. in political science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison where he specialized in Korean security issues, U.S. foreign policy, and international relations. Roehrig has also done research on human rights and transitional justice, focusing on efforts to hold former military regimes accountable for past abuses.

Roehrig has been the institutional representative for Stritch since 2000 when he took over for Dan DiDomizio, long-time Stritch representative to the Wisconsin Institute. He helped plan the 2000 student conference hosted by Stritch and saw what a great opportunity this was for students. "Though students were nervous as they went into their sessions, all of them thoroughly enjoyed the experience. The opportunity to present their work and later dialogue with peers and faculty was very rewarding. These students often participate again the following year." Each spring semester, Roehrig builds the Wisconsin Institute student conference into his courses as an option for student projects. Roehrig is also a regular contributor to the Institute's Speakers Program, offering a talk on North Korea and its efforts to acquire nuclear weapons. According to Roehrig, "the Speakers Program is another outstanding service offered by the Wisconsin Institute, and you can't beat the price - free. Speaking at member institutions is a wonderful opportunity to meet faculty and students at other institutions. I have also had many of the speakers in my own classes and have found their talks to be exceptional." Roehrig looks forward to working with the Wisconsin Institute in this new role as associate director.

Awards

The Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies is pleased to announce that **Nancy Burrell of UW-Milwaukee is the recipient of the 2004-05 Dick Ringler Distinguished Peace Educator Award.** Nancy Burrell is professor of Communication at UWM and has been instrumental in developing peace studies at UWM. In 1995 she set up the Milwaukee Mediation Center, which is used by both the campus and the broader Milwaukee community. She has designed two mediation courses and raises awareness of mediation and conflict resolution in the state through several programs, including those with the U.S. Post Office, UW-Extension, and multicultural neighborhoods in Milwaukee. The Dick Ringler Distinguished Peace Educator Award is named for Dick Ringler, professor emeritus, UW-Madison, one of the founders of the Wisconsin Institute. It is presented to a Wisconsin college or university faculty or staff member who has made an outstanding contribution to teaching or studying war, peace, and/or global cooperation.

Distinguished Student Scholar Awards were presented to April D'Andrea of St. Norbert College and Kyle Bowman of Cardinal Stritch University at the Institute's 19th Annual Student Conference at UW-Whitewater on April 1, 2005. The Distinguished Student Scholar Awards recognize Wisconsin college or university students for outstanding contributions to teaching or studying war, peace, and/or global cooperation. April D'Andrea, a political science major and peace and justice minor at St. Norbert College in DePere, is an active member of the Peace and Justice Center. She has studied peace and conflict in the Balkans, worked for "Free the Slaves," and participated in a two-week study program at the United Nations and a service trip to St. Lucia. Kyle Bowman, a double major in political science and Spanish at Cardinal Stritch University, is involved in several honor societies, student government, Model UN, and the Franciscan Leadership Pilgrimage. He is also active in the Milwaukee County program on restorative justice, which brings perpetrators and victims together to move towards healing and reconciliation.

The 2006 World Peace Study Program College Essay Contest

Edgewood College of Madison, Wisconsin, and the Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies sponsor an annual college essay contest open to undergraduates enrolled in Wisconsin colleges and universities. Essays are due in March and must be presented at the annual student conference in April. Student essays are eligible to win one of three Ray and Jeannette Short Scholarships worth \$500, \$300, and \$200. Look on our Web site, www.wisconsin-institute.org, for this year's topic and submission details.

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Twentieth Anniversary Conference Explores Challenges and Paths to Justice

Experts from across the United States and around the world visited Marquette University, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on October 6-8, 2004, to exchange ideas and experiences on issues of challenges and paths to justice as part of the 20th annual conference of the Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies.

"The new millennium has seen expanding interest in justice issues that extend beyond national borders," said Dr. H. Richard Friman, Director of the Marquette University Institute for Transnational Justice, the conference organizer. Individuals, societal groups, nongovernmental organizations, governments, and international organizations have intensified calls for justice in economic, political, and social-cultural relations. Some calls seek to address the legacies of past abuses while others envision a step towards the broader redistribution of rights, privileges, and obligations on a global scale.

The conference began with an evening keynote address from Dr. Kevin P. Clements, Professor and Director of the Australian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies at the University of Queensland and former Secretary General of International Alert. Noting how the practice of privileging the suffering of any one group or country increases the challenges of achieving a more just and peaceful world, Clements explored ways in which power, justice, and peacebuilding can be used in the pursuit of the common good. The evening concluded with an award ceremony for the 2004 Wisconsin Institute Distinguished Scholar, Dr. Guy Wolf, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

The following two full days of the conference consisted of panels and round-table sessions on a wide range of topics including: paths to transitional justice in post-conflict and transitional countries; economic paths to justice in the area of domestic and international development; peace education; migration, refugees, and justice; human rights

and justice; promoting wars through propaganda and memory; terrorism and justice; peace and justice; NGOs, humanitarian workers, and justice in developing countries; and power, justice, and policy.

Conference highlights included a documentary film on immigration and identity, *Redlining: It's Not Just for Housing Anymore*, by Marquette professor and filmmaker Daniel Banda; a special panel bringing together representatives of Bangladeshi garment workers and the National Labor Committee; and a panel presentation on the international observation of elections by Horatio Boneo of the United States Institute of Peace. The conference also marked the twentieth anniversary of the Wisconsin Institute with a special anniversary round-table presentation on the institute's "first twenty years" and a closing reception.

For more information about the conference, including materials and conference papers, visit the conference web site, <http://www.marquette.edu/polisci/ITJWeb>. The conference was co-sponsored by the Marquette University Institute for Transnational Justice and the Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies.

2005 Student Conference

Over seventy people participated in the Institute's 19th Annual Student Conference on April 1, 2005, cosponsored by the Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies and the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. The conference, "*Talking about Peace during Times of War*," featured six round-table discussions, nine paper panels, and three creative writing presentations. Three students were honored with Student Conference Paper Awards, a certificate and cash award. **Nichali Ciaccio of UW-Milwaukee** won for "*Dams, Privatization and Democracy: The Struggle for Water Rights in India*." **Ian Brooks of Ripon College** was honored for his creative writing piece, "*Unbroken Ice*." **Stefanie Pinnow of UW-Whitewater** won for "*A Modern Bismark: The Potential for Greatness or the Road to Destruction*." Congratulations to all participants and organizers for a successful conference!

The mission of the Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies is to encourage and legitimize teaching and research on the roots of violence, on national and global security issues (including ecological security) and on all factors necessary for a just global peace in the post-Cold War world. It was founded in 1985 as a nonprofit, non-stock corporation under Chapter 181 of the Wisconsin statutes. The Wisconsin Institute is receptive to study and teaching which proceeds along both traditional and nontraditional lines and provides a forum where all viewpoints may be expressed and contemplated. While dedicated to enabling scholars, teachers and the public to improve and make more sophisticated their understandings of war, peace, justice, and environmental issues, the Institute does not prejudice judgment about these issues with a particular ideology.

An **Individual Membership** is available for a contribution of \$35 for the year. Benefits include a subscription to the *Bulletin*, a copy of the *Journal for the Study of Peace and Conflict* or the Proceedings of the Annual Conference, full or partial waiver of the registration fees for the two annual conferences, and borrowing privileges from the media library.

A **Supporting Membership**, available for a contribution of \$100 minimum, offers additional benefits.

A **Student Affiliate Membership**, available for \$15, offers a free registration to the next student conference and a subscription to the *Bulletin*.

All contributions are tax deductible as allowable by law.

The Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies
Call for Participants: 20TH ANNUAL STUDENT CONFERENCE

“Values in Conflict”

April 7, 2006 • University of Wisconsin-Superior

While many conflicts turn on control of resources or ethnic hatred, some involve conflicting visions of how the world should be. Conflicts between religions, between religious and secular outlooks, between traditional and modern ways, between red states and blue states, between nationalists and globalists, between the Washington consensus and Asian values, all seem to involve to some extent conflicting judgments of value. Such conflicts raise difficult practical and theoretical issues. To what extent do the conflicts of our time turn on questions of value? How can such issues be resolved? Can we compromise our values? Are values relative? Can we impose our values on others? Are human rights “western” values? Is multiculturalism bad for women? Do we face an inevitable “clash of civilizations” where there is no right or wrong and power must decide the issue?

The WIPCS student conference is open to students from all disciplines. Submissions should address the conference topic.

Papers

Papers for the conference should be 5-15 pages in length and based on individual research and critical thinking. All research must be documented. Those students whose submissions are accepted are expected to be at the conference. Presenters will have 10-15 minutes to present a summarization of their papers at the conference.

Roundtable Discussions

Students may propose a full roundtable with at least three participants. Proposals should contain a one-page description of the issue to be discussed, as well as the names and addresses of the participants.

Creative Writing

Creative writing may include poems and short stories on the topic of the conference.

Persuasive Speeches

Students may present speeches of 10-15 minutes geared to an academic setting and advocating a position related to the topic of the conference. Participants should submit a title and brief description of the speech, as well as their name and address.

Submission Requirements

Submissions from students at WIPCS member colleges and universities are encouraged! Students whose submissions are accepted are expected to be at the conference. Cash recognition awards are usually presented, but each conference has its own criteria for the competition paper awards. All work is evaluated by professional standards.

Specific information about the 2006 conference will be posted on the Institute Web site as soon as it is available! In the meantime, if you have any question, please contact us at winst@uwsp.edu.



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THE JOURNAL FOR THE STUDY OF PEACE AND CONFLICT

The Journal for the Study of Peace and Conflict, the annual journal of the Wisconsin Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies, ISSN 1095-1962, publishes a variety of scholarly articles, essays, and poetry on topics such as war, peace, global cooperation, domestic violence, and interpersonal conflict resolution; including questions of military and political security, the global economy, and global environmental issues. We wish to promote discussion of both strategic and ethical questions surrounding issues of war, peace, the environment, and justice.

The Wisconsin Institute is committed to a balanced review of diverse perspectives. Submissions are welcome from all disciplines. Our intended audience includes scholars from a wide range of interests within the university community and educated members of the larger public. The format allows the publication of original previously-unpublished works of sufficient length to give authors the opportunity to discuss a particular topic in depth. Other forms of creative writing are invited. Contributors should avoid submissions accessible only to specialists in their field. *The Journal for the Study of Peace and Conflict* may also include book reviews. Persons interested in reviewing should contact the editor.

Submissions are accepted on a continuing basis.

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