

Combined Student-Faculty Conference

Since 2013, the Institute has sponsored one annual student-faculty conference in the spring. Before that, there was a traditional academic conference in the fall and a student conference in the spring.

2019

Forced Migration and Human Flourishing

April 5, 2019

St. Norbert College

Keynote speaker: Dr. Mireille Twayigira, Refugee Education Advocate for Jesuit Refugee Services.

2018

Will Democracy Survive?

April 6, 2018

Edgewood College

Keynote speaker: Norman Stockwell, publisher of *The Progressive*.

2017

Gender, Peace, and Conflict: Toward a Deeper Understanding

March 30-31, 2017

Alverno College

Speakers: Dr. Enaya Othman, Assistant Professor, Marquette University, Director of the Arab and Cultural Studies program, and Director of the Oral History Project of the Arab and Muslim Women's Research and Resource Institute, speaking on "Engagement Beyond Research: Muslim Women's Agency and Oral History in Wisconsin;" Kime Abduli, Aduli Immigration Law, LLC; and Dr. Angeliqe Harris, Associate Professor of Sociology, Director of the Center for Gender and Sexualities Studies and Women's and Gender Studies Program, Marquette University.

2016

Global Citizenship: A road to peace?

April 7-8, 2016

University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

Keynote speaker: Valerie Barske, professor of history, UW-Stevens Point.

2015

Democracy in the 21st Century?

April 16-17, 2015

Carthage College

Speakers: Wendy Pearlman, "Triumphs and Tragedies in the Struggle for Freedom in the Middle East," assistant professor and chair in Middle East Studies at Northwestern University; Martin Farrell, "Democracy, Peace, and Conflict: Personal and Professional Reflections on 30 Years with the Wisconsin Institute," professor, Ripon College.

2014

Resources for Peace

April 10-11, 2014

UW-Whitewater

Keynote speaker was Kathy Kelly, Voices for Creative Nonviolence.

2013

Combined faculty-student conference

Borders, Boundaries, and Peace

February 28-March 1, 2013

UW-Milwaukee

Two keynote panels included Melanie Greenberg, president and CEO, Alliance for Peacebuilding, Jenny Kehl, director of UWM's Center for Water Policy, Magda Peck, dean of UWM's School of Public Health, Johannes Britz, provost, UWM, and Michelle Breslauer, U.S. program manager of the Institute for Economics and Peace.

Traditional Academic Conference

2012

WIPCS board member retreat at UW-Stout

2011

Peacemaking: The Challenge of the Other

October 21-22, 2011

Cardinal Stritch University

Conference opened with a panel discussion on the Process of Rendering People “Other” led by Joe Hatcher (Ripon), Lynne Woehrlé (Mount Mary), and Jill Newton Moore (Alverno).

2010

We the Peoples: An International Conference on Human Rights

October 7-9, 2010

University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and Viterbo University

Speakers included: Marjorie Agosín, a well-known spokesperson for the plight and priorities of women in developing countries, Sara Roy, a senior research scholar at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies at Harvard University, and Bob Peterson, a teacher and founding editor of *Rethinking Schools* magazine.

2009

Exploring the Power of Nonviolence

October 8-10, 2009

Marquette University and The Peace and Justice Studies Association

Speakers included: Sister Helen Prejean, Jonathan Schell, and 2008 MacArthur Fellow Will Allen
This was a Peace and Justice Studies Association annual conference which we co-hosted.

2008

The World and Business: Responsibilities, Obligations, and Profit

October 17-18, 2008

Carthage College

Keynote speaker: Douglass Cassel, director of the Center for Civil and Human Rights, Notre Dame University.

2007

Multiculturalism, Pluralism, and Globalization

October 4-5, 2007

University of Wisconsin–La Crosse

Keynote speaker: Harvey Sarles, University of Minnesota

2006

New Directions for Peace in the Middle East and Around the World

November 3-4, 2006

Edgewood College

Keynote speaker: Anna Baltzer, writer, activist, and author of *Witness in Palestine: Journal of a Jewish American Woman in the Occupied Territories*.

2005

Reexamining Human Rights

November 3-5, 2005

Marian College of Fond du Lac

Keynote speaker: Dr. John Davies, co-director of the Partners in Conflict and Partners in Peacebuilding Projects, and senior faculty associate, Center for International Development and Conflict Management, University of Maryland.

2004

Challenges and Paths to Justice

October 6-8, 2004

Marquette University

Keynote speaker: Kevin P. Clements, professor and director, The Australian Center for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Queensland.

2003

New Paths to Peace: Innovative Approaches to Building Sustainable Peace and Development

November 6-8, 2003

University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee

Keynote speakers: Mary Anderson, author of *Do No Harm: How Aid Can Support Peace—Or War*; Richard McCall, director, Communities in Transition, Creative Associates; William Stuebner, executive director, Alliance for International Conflict Prevention and Resolution.

2002

Globalization 2002: State of the Debate

November 14-16, 2002

Ripon College

Keynote speakers David Newby, President of the Wisconsin AFL-CIO and Dr. Robert W. Staiger, Professor of Economics at the University of Wisconsin–Madison.

2001

International Peacekeeping and Peacemaking: A Time of Crisis, a Time of Hope

October 24-26, 2001

Madison Area Technical College

Keynote address by 1983 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate and former President of Poland, Lech Walesa.

2000

New Perspectives on the Shoah and the Third Reich

September 14-16, 2000

University of Wisconsin–La Crosse

Keynote speaker: Christopher Browning, noted historian of the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and author of *Ordinary Men: Reserve Police Battalion 101 and the Final Solution in Poland*.

1999

Women, Peace, and Conflict

October 21-23, 1999

University of Wisconsin–Platteville

Featured speakers were Agate Nesaule, Professor Emeritus in the Depts. of Languages and Literatures and Women's Studies at University of Wisconsin–Whitewater and recipient of a 1996 American Book Award for *A Woman in Amber: Healing the Trauma of War and Exile* and Denise Sweet, an Anishinaabe (White Earth) poet and professor of Humanistic Studies at University of Wisconsin–Green Bay.

1998

Current Trends in Peace and Conflict Studies

October 30, 1998

University of Wisconsin–Stevens Point

Keynote Speaker: Kent D. Shifferd, Professor Emeritus of History; Director of Peace Studies at Northland College, Ashland

1997

Guns in Our Homes & Streets: Environmental Dimensions of Firearm Violence

October 17-18, 1997

University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee

Keynote speaker: Deane Calhoun, Youth Alive Program, Oakland, CA

1996

Religion, War, and Peace

November 1-2, 1996

Ripon College

Keynote speaker: R. Scott Appleby, Associate Professor of History, University of Notre Dame

1995

Ecological Resistance Movements: Religion, Politics, and Ethics

November 10-11, 1995

University of Wisconsin–Madison

Featured speakers included J. Baird Callicott, University of North Texas, Daniel Deudney, University of Pennsylvania, Bron Taylor, University of Wisconsin–Oshkosh, and William Cronon, University of Wisconsin–Madison.

1994

Mexico and the United States: Conflict or Cooperation?

October 20, 1994

Lawrence University

Speakers: Luis Rubio, director general, Center of Research for Development in Mexico City; Joseph Damrell, Northland College; Dereka Rushbrook, Ripon College.

1993

Instituting Peace: Challenge and Hope

November 6, 1993

Viterbo College

Speakers: Toh Swee-Hin, Centre for International Education and Development, University of Alberta, Edmonton; Virginia Floresca-Cawagas, Graduate School Peace Education Center, Notre Dame University, Cotabato City, Philippines.

1992

Dilemmas of War and Peace in the Post-Cold War World

October 9-10, 1992

University of Wisconsin–Madison

Speaker: Gwynne Dyer, military historian, international journalist, producer of the Public Broadcasting System "War" series, "War: Yesterday and Today"

1991

Peace Making in the Post-Cold War Era: The Middle East

October 17-18, 1991

Carroll College

Speakers Emile Sahlieyeh, North Texas State University; Kent Shifferd, Northland College; David Shipler, author, Pulitzer Prize-winning *Arab and Jew: Wounded Spirits in a Promised Land*, former foreign correspondent for "The New York Times"; Asher Susser, Tel Aviv University; Mark Tessler, University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee.

1990

Religion, Racism, Violence: South Africa and North America

November 9, 1990

University of Wisconsin–Oshkosh

Speakers: David Chidester, University of Cape Town, South Africa; Sharon Sopher, independent film producer and director; James Sulton, University of Wisconsin System Administration.

1989

Nonviolent Sanctions: Their Use in Conflict and Defense

November 4, 1999

University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire

Speakers: Gary Guertner, U.S. Army War College; Col. David Hansen, U.S. Army War College; Vincent Kavaloski, University of Wisconsin–Platteville; Christopher Kruegler, Harvard University.

1988

U.S.-Soviet Relations: Where Do We Go From Here?

November 5, 1988

Carroll College

Speakers: James Cracraft, University of Illinois-Chicago; Martha Mautner, U.S. Department of State; Vladimir Pechatnov, Soviet Embassy, Washington, D.C.; George Reedy, Marquette University; Col. David Twining, U.S. Army War College.

Spring 1987

Is Nuclear Disarmament Possible? or Desirable?

April 11, 1987

Lawrence University

Speakers: Randall Forsberg, Institute for Defense and Disarmament Studies; Lt. Col. Stephen Fought, U.S. Air Force, Naval War College; John Mearsheimer, University of Chicago; Michael Berdennikov, Soviet Embassy, Washington, D.C.

Fall 1987

Central America: War or Peace?

October 10, 1987

University of Wisconsin Center—Fond du Lac

Speakers: Lt. Col. Peter Reilly, U.S. State Department; Martin Vega, Embassy of Nicaragua, Washington, D.C.; Thomas Walker, Ohio University; Knut Walter, Central American University, San Salvador.

1986

Tensions and Common Ground Between 'Security' and 'Peace' Issues in the Nuclear Age

April 19, 1986

University of Wisconsin—Parkside

Speakers: Les Aspin, U.S. House of Representatives; Randall Forsberg, Institute for Defense and Disarmament Studies; Keith Payne, National Institute for Public Policy.

1984

Precursor conference to the founding of the Institute

Nuclear Age Education: Toward Establishing Cooperative Programs on War, Peace, and Global Security in Institutions of Higher Learning in Wisconsin

November 17, 1984

Annual Spring Student Conferences

2012

Negotiating in a Polarized Society

Friday, March 30, 2012

Marquette University Center for Peacemaking

Speaker: Sara Terry, filmmaker and former correspondent for the Christian Science Monitor

2011

Can the Globe go Green? Environmental Sustainability, Peace and the Threats of War

Friday, April 8, 2011

Mount Mary College with Alverno College, Milwaukee

Speaker: Randall Amster, professor of peace studies at Prescott College and executive director of the Peace and Justice Studies Association spoke on "Environmental Peacemaking: Promises and Possibilities."

2010

Nuclear Proliferation and other Continuing Threats to World Peace

Saturday, April 10, 2010

Edgewood College, Madison, Wisconsin

Speaker: Jennifer Nordstrom, youth organizer with the Think Outside the Bomb network, former NGO liaison to the UN for the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, and currently coordinator for the Carbon-Free, Nuclear-Free campaign for the Institute for Energy and Environmental Research.

2009

Building a New Earth: Pathways of Peace and Justice

April 17, 2009

Marian University

Speaker: Anna Baltzer, activist and writer

2008

Resolving Conflicts over Human Needs and Rights

April 18, 2008

Lakeland College

Speaker: Thomas Walker, Ohio University

2007

Blurred Boundaries: New Responses to Global Problems

April 13, 2007

Alverno College

Speaker: Jackie Smith, Assoc. Professor of Sociology, Notre Dame's Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies

2006

Values in Conflict

April 7, 2006

University of Wisconsin-Superior

2005

Thinking About Peace in Times of War

April 1, 2005

University of Wisconsin–Whitewater

2004

Promoting Positive Peace

April 16, 2004

St. Norbert College

2003

Conflict, Cooperation, Security, and Justice in a Globalizing World

April 5, 2003

University of Wisconsin–Oshkosh

2002

Globalization: Ends and Means

April 6, 2002

Edgewood College, Madison

2001

Security and Cooperation in the 21st Century

April 7, 2001

Carthage College, Kenosha

2000

Creating a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence

April 7, 2000

Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee

1999

Globalization: Challenges and Opportunities

April 10, 1999

Marquette University, Milwaukee

1998

Conflict and Resolution

April 23, 1998

University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire

1997

Conflict and Peace in a Global World

April 18, 1997
University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

1996
Our Future, Our World
April 12, 1996
St. Norbert College

1995
Race, Ethnicity, War, and Peace
April 7, 1995
Lakeland College

1994
Images of War, Peace, and Global Cooperation
April 22, 1994
UW-Eau Claire

1993
New Times: New Worlds
April 16, 1993
University of Wisconsin Center-Fond du Lac
Speaker: Douglas La Follette, Secretary of State of Wisconsin

1992
Worlds Apart—Worlds Together
April 3, 1992
Ripon College
Speaker: Eva Jensen, Lincoln Park Lutheran Church, Milwaukee

1991
Searching for a Peaceful World Order
April 5, 1991
Cardinal Stritch College
Speaker: Jacqueline Haessly, Director, Milwaukee Peace Education Resource Center

1990
Global Perspectives on Technology, Culture, and Politics
April 6, 1990
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Speaker: John Gilligan, former governor of Ohio and director of The Institute for International Peace Studies at University of Notre Dame

1989
We are the World: Issue of World Citizenship

April 7, 1989

Lakeland College

Speakers: Geri Joseph, director of international programs, Humphrey School for Public Affairs, and Edward Slevin, associate director of recruitment and selection for the Peace Corps

1988

Wisconsin Students Look at World Issues

April 15, 1988

University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

Speaker: Gwynne Dyer, journalist, military historian, producer of PBS series, "War: A Commentary."

1987

Critical Issues in a Global Village

April 27, 1987

UW-Eau Claire

Speaker: Don Reeder, professor of physics, UW-Madison