



MAKE A DIFFERENCE



MENNO SIMONS COLLEGE

WELCOME TO MENNO SIMONS COLLEGE

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Are you looking for a university education that reflects your passion and values? Do you want a career that equips you to make a difference?

At Menno Simons College (MSC), we provide a way for you to bring your desire to make a difference together with your university studies. At MSC, we enable you to apply your values and skills in practical ways that can make a real difference now, and later through careers in international relief and development, community development in Canada, or in conflict resolution.

I can personally vouch for the value of MSC. In 1994, after many years as a peace activist in Winnipeg, I became a student here. Although I enjoyed my peace work and felt I was making a valuable contribution, I realized that the issues facing my community and the world at large were deep and complicated, and I wanted to be better informed.

At first, I thought I'd just take one course to see if I liked it. I did, so I took another. That was followed by a third course and, before long, I was hooked. It changed my life.



Do you want to learn how to make a difference in the world? Check out MSC! Maybe it will be just one course, just to see what it's like. But beware: you could get hooked too, just like I did, and just like thousands of others who have been changed by what we learned and experienced at MSC.

Ruth Taronno, Associate Vice President



Come join us at Menno Simons College, where you can gain the skills and knowledge to build a rewarding and exciting career and make a difference in the world. Work with us to make the world a better, happier, and more peaceful place.

Paul Redekop, Dean



MY STUDIES AT MENNO SIMONS COLLEGE GAVE ME A GOOD FOUNDATION TO BUILD ON, ONE THAT ALLOWS ME TO CONSIDER AND BE QUALIFIED FOR DIFFERENT KINDS OF POSITIONS . . . I FEEL LIKE I CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD.

Joel Marion, 2008 Conflict Resolution Studies graduate, Executive Coordinator of Global College, The University of Winnipeg

THE MISSION OF MENNO SIMONS COLLEGE

Poverty, injustice, crime, war, violence, environmental degradation—the world is faced with many challenges today. But there is hope. Millions of people around the globe are looking for ways to help promote peace and justice, alleviate conflict, discover new methods of equitable sustainable development, and fight oppression and marginalization.

MSC equips students to make a difference in the world. We do this through programs in International Development Studies (IDS) and Conflict Resolution Studies (CRS). Through course work and practicum, we provide you with practical and meaningful ways to address the pressing issues facing the world today.

OUR VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

MSC provides education flowing from Anabaptist Mennonite understandings of faith, peace, and justice while engaging other religious traditions and intellectual perspectives. The College fosters a learning community that prepares students from diverse backgrounds for participation and leadership in local and global communities.





TEACHING AT MENNO
SIMONS COLLEGE ALLOWS
ME TO BRING MY
EXPERIENCES OF WORKING IN
DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA, MY
CAREER AS A TEACHER, AND
MY PERSONAL LIFE AND
BELIEFS TOGETHER.

THROUGH MY WORK HERE I
CAN SHOW STUDENTS THAT
BEING A GLOBAL CITIZEN IS
NOT JUST ABOUT BEING
INVOLVED IN DEVELOPMENT
IN THE FUTURE, BUT ABOUT
HOW YOU LIVE YOUR LIFE—
ABOUT THE CHOICES YOU
MAKE, ABOUT WHERE YOU
LIVE, WHAT YOU BUY, AND
WHAT YOU DO.

Dr. Ruth Rempel,
Assistant Professor, IDS

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

International Development Studies at MSC is designed to help you analyze the causes of poverty and the processes of economic and social development.

Through IDS, you learn on a local, national, and global level the connections between hunger, poverty, war, politics, religion, economics and trade, and globalization.

Graduates find careers with international relief and development organizations, local non-profit and social development groups, and in government and business.

DEGREES OFFERED

Three-year BA

Four-year BA

Honours BA

SAMPLE COURSES

Participatory Local Development

Crisis, Humanitarian Aid, and Development

African Development Issues

Development Ethics

Program Planning, Monitoring, and Evaluation





THE PROFESSORS REALLY PROMOTED THE IDEA WE DON'T JUST HAVE TO ACCEPT THE WAY THINGS ARE, AND WE CAN TRY TO MAKE THINGS AS GOOD AS POSSIBLE FOR POOR PEOPLE. THEY EMPHASIZED THAT WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND HELP TO MAKE THINGS THE WAY THEY SHOULD BE. IT WAS VERY INSPIRING.

Chris Ewert, 2007 International Development Studies graduate, is now working on his Masters degree in International Development at Oxford University

CONFLICT RESOLUTION STUDIES

Through Conflict Resolution Studies at MSC, you will learn about new ways of addressing conflict in various situations—including conflict which occurs at the family, workplace, community, and national levels.

You will develop an understanding of the nature and dynamics of human conflict as they relate to violence, power, justice, peace, communication, culture, and war.

Alternative ways to deal with conflict are presented—ways that develop healthy relationships, promote societal harmony, and prevent violence.

Graduates build careers in education, corrections, law, labour, business, government, mediation, and social services organizations.

DEGREES OFFERED

Three-year BA

Four-year BA

SAMPLE COURSES

Conflict Theory and Analysis

Workplace Conflict Resolution

Violence and Nonviolence

Mediation Skills Workshop

Human Rights and Conflict Resolution





MY EXPERIENCE WITH
MENNO SIMONS COLLEGE
HAS BEEN ENRICHING AND
MOTIVATING—THE
FRIENDLY PROFESSIONAL
STAFF AND THE
COMFORTABLE LEARNING
ENVIRONMENT HAS BEEN
MEMORABLE!

Maria Lee Janke, CRS Student

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PRACTICUM

All students who major in International Development Studies or Conflict Resolution Studies have the opportunity to register for a practicum. Practicum experience is a requirement for four-year and honours majors degree programs, and it is also available as an option for three-year majors.

The MSC practicum is a supervised invaluable work experience in a setting related to international development or conflict resolution. It is a chance to gain work experience related to your studies and integrate your work experience with your coursework.

Some students complete their practicum in Winnipeg while others seek placements around the world.

A local placement is approximately 80 hours of on-site work over the span of one or two school terms. Students often complete their local practicum working with organizations such as public schools, women's centres, food banks, community resource centres, social service providers, and other CRS and IDS related groups.

An international placement involves a minimum of three months in another country. To date, MSC students have travelled to over 50 different countries and have recently returned from placements in Brazil, Ethiopia, Ghana, Uganda, Zambia, India, Nepal, and Cambodia.





I FOUND THAT MY CRS PRACTICUM WAS REALLY HELPFUL IN TERMS OF LEARNING. IT TOTALLY BACKED UP WHAT I HAD BEEN STUDYING IN CLASS. WHAT I GAINED MOST FROM THE EXPERIENCE WAS THE CROSS-CULTURAL LEARNING.

Kendra Williams, 2009 graduate,
CRS and IDS Double Major

STUDENT SERVICES

All MSC students have access to The University of Winnipeg services and resources, including the library, cafeteria, disability services, housing, and much more.

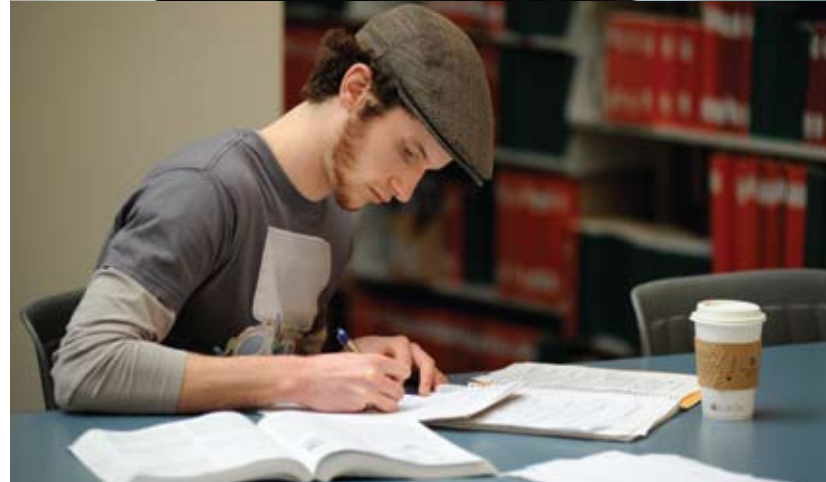
In addition, MSC's Student Services Department offers assistance to help students with their specific needs.

Through this Department, MSC students have access to specialized resources including:

- an MSC Academic Advisor
- MSC scholarships and bursaries
- an MSC students' Association
- MSC Student events and workshops
- conference travel funding
- career and academic resources
- an MSC Student ListServ

Students are encouraged to contact MSC Student Services to obtain assistance for any problems or needs or to discuss ideas and suggestions for enhancing support to students.

Please contact us at msc@uwinnipeg.ca or 953-3846.





FACULTY AND STAFF AT MENNO SIMONS HAVE ENCOURAGED ME TO BE INDEPENDENT AND CREATIVE AND TO APPLY OTHER ASPECTS OF MY LIFE, BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF THE CLASSROOM, TO MY STUDIES. I LOVE THAT I LEARN HOW TO APPLY THEORETICAL AND PRACTICAL CONCEPTS TO LOCAL AND GLOBAL ISSUES OF PEACE, CONFLICT, GENDER AND INTER-CULTURAL REALITIES.

Zoë Gross, CRS Student

A LEARNING COMMUNITY

Professors at MSC have worked in the fields of international relief and development or conflict resolution. They continue to be involved in their fields of expertise through research and other endeavours. At MSC, faculty commit to living out the values of peace and justice, both within the classroom as well as their communities.

MSC is located at and affiliated with **The University of Winnipeg**. UWinnipeg is an urban campus of approximately 8,000 students and is situated directly in the heart of Winnipeg, the capital city of the province of Manitoba, Canada. MSC students register through and pay all fees to UWinnipeg, and graduates receive a UWinnipeg degree at the end of their studies. Information about UWinnipeg can be found online at www.uwinnipeg.ca.

MSC is a college of **Canadian Mennonite University (CMU)**. CMU is a Christian university offering degrees in the arts, music, music therapy, theology and church ministries at its residential campus in south-western Winnipeg. It is a member of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada. More information about CMU can be found at www.cmu.ca.





AFTER ALMOST THIRTY YEARS OF BEING INVOLVED WITH THE ACADEMIC, ACTIVIST, AND NGO WORLDS, I CAN CONFIDENTLY SAY THAT MENNO SIMONS COLLEGE IS A VERY SPECIAL PLACE—A PLACE WHERE THOSE TWO WORLDS CAN COME TOGETHER IN A SAFE, DYNAMIC, STIMULATING, AND PROFESSIONAL SETTING.

Dr. Richard McCutcheon,
Assistant Professor, CRS



**MENNO
SIMONS
COLLEGE**

*Addressing conflict, inequality, and poverty
through studies in conflict resolution and
international development*

We offer small classes, faculty who combine academic excellence with practical experience, and opportunities for student practicums, both locally and around the globe.

Programs in International Development Studies and Peace and Conflict Transformation Studies also are available at the CMU Shaftesbury campus.



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