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UNIVERSITY



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## A GRADUATE SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY, PEACE & RECONCILIATION

St. Stephen's University offers an array of graduate programs in Theology & Culture, Peace & Justice, and Reconciliation Studies. All our programs are facilitated through robust online classrooms; short, on-campus residencies; and study-abroad trips. Students study with us without uprooting their lives.

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## OUR MISSION

The Mission of St. Stephen's University is to prepare people for a life of *justice, beauty, and compassion* through academic, personal, and spiritual development, enabling a humble, creative engagement with the world.

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## FAITH IDENTITY

We aspire to practice our faith identity in alignment with our mission of justice, beauty, and compassion, rather than through denominational categories or doctrinal conformity. Our faculty, staff, and students express these values with conviction and freedom, inclusion and generosity. We aspire to challenge colonizing and exclusionary bounds of Christendom and set an open table where all are welcome.

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## ACCREDITATION

A robust and rigorous curriculum in all of our programs, reputable and doctorally-trained faculty who know their students by name, and a provincial charter to grant graduate degrees and certificates all make St. Stephen's University a top choice for a graduate education.


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## APPLY TODAY

Welcome to a university where you are encouraged to wrestle with your faith and doubts within a compassionate community of learners where everyone belongs and all questions are welcome.

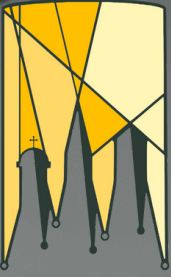
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The  
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Institute  
*for Religion,  
Peace, &  
Justice*

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## CULTIVATING RESURRECTION IN A CRUCIFIED WORLD

*The Jim Forest Institute for Religion, Peace & Justice (JFI) is a teaching, research, and resource institute of St. Stephen's University. JFI brings education and experience together, integrating inner transformation, a theology of peace and justice, an understanding of the role of religion in peace and violence, and practical peacemaking as a vocation and way of life.*

[jfi.ssu.ca](https://jfi.ssu.ca)





## Andrew Phillip Klager, PhD

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# THEOLOGICALLY GROUNDED PEACEBUILDING

JFI offers a range of programs for both graduate and undergraduate students through a variety of delivery methods enabling students to study with us without uprooting their lives. Our masters programs are facilitated through robust online classrooms; short, on-campus residencies; study-abroad trips; and a thesis or capstone project. Our certificate programs are offered entirely online.

## ➤ OUR PROGRAMS ([ssu.ca/programs](https://ssu.ca/programs))

### **Masters of Arts (MA) in Peace & Justice**

### **Master of Theological Studies (MTS) in Peace & Justice**

### **Master of Peace & Justice (MPJ)**

*Three Tracks with diverse emphasis available for all masters programs:*

*Peacebuilding, Public Theology, & Inner Transformation*

*Peacebuilding, Public Theology, & Reconciling with Indigenous Peoples*

*Peacebuilding, Public Theology, & the Palestinian Context*

### **Certificate in Religion, Peace & Justice**

## **GUEST CONTRIBUTORS**

Shane Claiborne, Cece Jones-Davis, Lisa Sharon Harper, Dr. Peter Enns, James Alison, Phileena Nikole, Jarrod McKenna, Cherith Fee Nordling, Brian Zahnd, Jonathan Martin, Brian McLaren, Malika Cox, Derek Flood, and many more.

*“Transforming the world takes honest self-reflection, skilful action, and an ability to be creative in the moment while drawing on centuries of religious wisdom. The Jim Forest Institute for Religion, Peace and Justice at SSU offers students a recipe to discover each of these paths.”*

### **LISA SCHIRCH**

Scholar, Author, Activist

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SSU School of  
Theology  
& Culture

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## SSU SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY & CULTURE

At St. Stephen's University, we engage in the pressing, real-life issues of today's world at the intersection of theology and culture. Students and professors meet in interactive cohorts centered in study, research and practice, inviting students to become the message they hope to convey.

Our 'ancient- future' focus integrates historic Christian theology with creative, contemporary voices. Together, they give us both roots and wings as we learn to engage in life-giving ways with today's diverse cultures.

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## Bradley Jersak, PhD

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# MEETING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THEOLOGY & CULTURE

We offer a range of programs for both graduate and undergraduate students through a variety of delivery methods enabling students to study with us without uprooting their lives. Our master's programs are facilitated through robust online classrooms; short, on-campus residencies; a study-abroad trip; and a thesis or capstone project. Our certificate programs are offered entirely online.

## ➤ OUR PROGRAMS

### Master of Arts (MA) in Theology & Culture

Duration: 2yr (Full Time)

Credit Hours: 45

Delivery Mode: Online Courses, short seven day residency, two week study abroad trip, online research methods course, thesis.

Emphasis: Theology & Culture, Spiritual Formation, Counselling, History of Christianity, Ministry Preparation

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### Master of Ministry (MMin) in Theology & Culture

Same as M.A. but the Thesis is replaced with a Capstone Project or two additional elective courses

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### Certificate in Theology & Culture

Duration: 8 months (Full Time)

Credit Hours: 22

Delivery Mode: Online Courses, Optional seven day residency.

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### Certificate in Theology & Peace Studies

Duration: 8 months (Full Time)

Credit Hours: 20

Delivery Mode: Online Courses, Optional seven day residency.

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CENTRE for  
RECONCILIATION  
STUDIES

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## SSU CENTRE FOR RECONCILIATION STUDIES

St. Stephen's University's Centre for Reconciliation Studies (CRS) creates spaces for the ongoing process of reconciliation, as invited by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action, through academic programs, events, and travel experiences.

Our Reconciliation Studies programs recognize the harm done by colonizing religion and seek instead to welcome and affirm the varying faith and spiritual traditions that give life to our Indigenous speakers, guests, students, and faculty.

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# CERTIFICATE IN RECONCILIATION STUDIES PROGRAM

*8 Months - 18 Credit Hr*

*Hybrid Online & Land Based Learning*

*Stand-alone or complete as part of a Peace & Justice masters degree*

The St. Stephen's University Centre for Reconciliation Studies offers an accredited Certificate Program dedicated to equipping individuals, organizations, churches and community leaders for thoughtful, respectful and effective engagement with Indigenous communities.

This 18-credit-hour program addresses the lack of quality preparation for reconciling relationships endemic in Canadian society (and beyond).

Initiated by the Chair of our Board of Governors, Judith Moses, a member of the Delaware people from Six Nations of the Grand River, and designed in conjunction with Indigenous faculty, neighbours and friends, the program is designed to prepare people to commit to an ongoing process of reconciliation, as invited by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action.

## COURSE LIST

- **Indigenous Sovereignty and the Colonial Legacy**
- **Wabanaki Nations, Decolonization, Reconciliation**
- **Culturally Safe & Trauma Informed Relationship**
- **Reconciliation Studies Learning Tour**
- **Reconciliation Studies Practicum**


*Duration: 8 months (Full Time)*

*Credit Hours: 18*

*Delivery Mode: Hybrid Online Courses, Land-based Learning, Storytelling, James Bay Learning Tour, Practicum*

*Emphasis: Truth-Telling, TRC and Calls to Action, Reconciliation, Decolonization, Indigenous Sovereignty, History, Culture, and Worldview*

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## *One-Course Credential in Multifaith Chaplaincy & Spiritual Care*

This course prepares students for multi-faith pastoral and spiritual care in a variety of chaplaincy settings. Study can be completed as an add-on to a master's degree at SSU (not included in the total credit hours of a student's degree program) or as a stand-alone credential without a program.

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# INCLUSIVE SPIRITUALITY & INTERRELIGIOUS HOSPITALITY

Through (1) online recorded lectures and live Zoom conferences, (2) reading and written reflection, and (3) engagement with their teachers and cohort, students gain understanding and skills for multifaith chaplaincy and the art of inclusive spiritual care across traditions. The goal is to prepare spiritual caregivers who are sensitive to and welcoming of the Other.

Represented faiths include Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Sikhism, Wicca, First Nations spirituality and the "Nones and Dones" (Unaffiliated / Agnostic / Atheist).

## AT A GLANCE

**Course Title:** *Multifaith Chaplaincy & Spiritual Care*

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Professors:** *Dr. Bradley Jersak & Dr. Peter Fitch*

**Length:** 14 Weeks

**Cost:** \$1,185 CAD + Student Fees

Upon completion of this course, students will be better equipped as chaplains with a growing multifaith perspective, faithful to their own tradition and skilled in the spiritual care of clients with whom they differ.

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