

**22<sup>th</sup> Annual Peace Studies Conference**  
**a project of the Central New York Peace Studies Consortium**

**Program Theme:**

**Corporatization and Militarization of Education: A Threat to Democracy, Security, and Peace**

Saturday  
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SUNY Cortland  
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Central New York Peace Studies Consortium, Center for Ethics, Peace, and Social Justice (CEPS), Center for Gender and Intercultural Studies (SGIS), Anarchist Studies Initiative, Institute for Disability Studies, Social Advocacy and Systems Journal, and others to come.

This conference will provide a venue for discussion on a critical issue in higher education. As armed forces become larger and more technological, each military move is more sophisticated and intellectual, rather than about might. Soldiers are being taught history, political science, negotiation, mediation, and diplomacy. Knowledge, as Foucault noted, is power. International power is becoming less and less what Mao said “grows out of the barrel of a gun.” Is it beneficial or not to have military training, learning, and developing centers and programs in higher education? How are the relationships of military, security, and other agencies changing the landscape and environment of academia?

How have corporate investments in higher education—from pharmaceutical companies to gas and petroleum--influenced syllabi, courses, programs, and the hiring of faculty? What are some effects of these relationships, and possible future outcomes? How do these financial relationships between the military, higher education, and corporations reshape the definition and purpose of education? How do these relationships affect security and democracy? These questions are the foundation for theme of this year’s conference.

We invite proposals from professors, community members, those working in non-profits and community organizations, government leaders, activists, and graduate and undergraduate students across the disciplines, in areas relating to but not restricted to: peace and social justice studies, security studies, women’s studies, criminal justice, queer studies, political science, sociology, economics, anthropology, history, biology, chemistry, education, media studies, communication, literature, rhetoric, and medicine. Paper presentations should be twenty minutes in length.

**The deadline for proposals and abstracts is October 1, 2010.**

Please send proposals for a panel, workshop, or roundtable discussion. Limit proposals to no more than 500 words. Also, send abstracts of articles (no more than 500 words) for consideration.

The organizing committee is receptive to many different and innovative formats for the conference, including but not limited to: roundtables, panels, community dialogues, and workshops. You may propose individual or group ‘panel’ presentations; but please clearly specify the structure of your proposal.

The organizing committee will review all proposals, with preference given to papers focusing on the program theme.

Completed papers will be selected for publication in a possible book and the Peace Studies Journal.

**Accepted presenters will be notified by email by October 15, 2010.**

Please send proposals, abstracts, and biographies electronically to:

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Please send all documents as attachments, MS Word 2000 (or higher) or Rich-Text.