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Brief Biography

I teach applied peace studies and geography here at Stout. In that capacity, I do my best to help students understand how much power they have to change their communities and the world. I try to create a space for students to learn how to struggle against the social structures and systems that cause oppression and violence and keep us from reaching our full potential as human beings. I led the development of the Applied Peace Studies curriculum to give students who want to create positive social change a chance to learn the philosophy and strategies of active nonviolence. As a certified Kingian Nonviolence trainer, I also conduct nonviolence trainings for students, faculty, and community members as well as give talks on nonviolent resistance and informed activism.

Teaching Interests: Peace Studies, Peace Education, Kingian Nonviolence, Food Justice, Human Geography, Critical Geography

Professional Interests: Nonviolence and Peace Studies Human Geography Food Justice

Education

- **MS Resource Management**
Central Washington University
Ellensburg, WA, United States, 2003
- **BS Environmental Policy and Planning**
University of Wisconsin
Green Bay, WI, United States, 1997

Licensures and Certifications

- Certified Nonviolence Trainer: Nonviolence and Peace Studies Center, URI

Work Experience

Academic - Post-Secondary

- **University of Wisconsin- Stout**
Senior Lecturer of Geography and Peace Studies
September 2008 -
- **University of Wisconsin- La Crosse**
Director/ GIS Lab/ Projects Manager
July 2002 - August 2008

Presentations

Paper

- Handley, J. (September 23, 2016). Avenues to Kingian Nonviolence in Higher Education. Peace and Justice Studies Association, Nelson, British Columbia, Canada.

Uncategorized

- Handley, J. (April 27, 2013). Early Childhood Education Conference. Peace Education in the K-12 Classroom., Menomonie, WI, United States.
- Handley, J. (April 04, 2012). Critical Peace Education: Using the Classroom to Build a Peaceful, Democratic Society.. A Conference on Participatory Democracy. Social Science Society., Menomonie, WI, United States.
- Handley, J. (2010). The Geography of Hunger.. Social Science Speaker Series, Menomonie, WI, United States.
- Handley, J. (April 18, 2008). Santa Anita la Union: Community, Cooperation, and Coffee.. Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Boston, MA, United States.
- Handley, J. (April 18, 2007). Fair Trade Cooperatives and Guatemalan Community Development: Challenges and Sustainability. Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, San Francisco, CA, United States.

Regional

- Little, A. M., Laresen, H., Thorson, C., Handley, J., & Bomar, C. (2010). Invasive reed canarygrass (*Phalaris arundinacea*) in WI trout stream restorations. Minnesota-Wisconsin Invasive Species Conference, St. Paul, MN.

National - Student

- Baumgartner, M., Borchowiec, N., Handley, J., & Little, A. M. (2009). Effects of watershed land cover and soil type on *Phalaris arundinacea* abundance in the Lower Chippewa River Region, WI. Society of Wetland Scientists, Madison, WI.

Grants, Contracts, and Sponsored Research

Grant

- Handley, J. Infusing Nonviolence into K-5 Curriculum. Sponsored by UW-Stout, \$2000 (Funded).
- Handley, J. Lab Modernization. Sponsored by UW - System, \$130000.
- Handley, J. Implementation of GPS into GIS Curriculum. Sponsored by UW-System Lab Modernization, \$15985.
- Handley, J. Just in Time: Professional Development: Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies. Sponsored by UW - Stout, \$1975.
- Handley, J. Foreign Language and Area Studies Research Grant. Sponsored by Center for Latin American Studies, \$1800.
- Handley, J. EDVantage. Sponsored by GIS in Western Wisconsin, \$17200.

Awards, Fellowships, Honors, and Scholarships

Fellowship

- Nonviolence and Peace Studies Fellow, Wisconsin Institute of Peace and Conflict and Conflict Studies (January 2016)
- Wisconsin Teaching Fellow, (2015)

Award

- Outstanding Educator of the Year, University of Wisconsin- Stout (2012)

Professional Memberships

- Peace and Justice Studies Association (PJSA)

Service

College

- **Committee Vice Chair**, Global Perspectives/Race & Ethnic Studies (September 2015 - May 2016)

University

UW Stout

- **Advisory Board Member**, Early Childhood Education Advisory Board (September 2015 - May 2017)