

Course proposal to unravel the enigma that

There will be no end to violence against women as long as there is war.

There will be no lasting world peace as long as men rape, beat, sexually harass and humiliate women.

UNMAKING WAR, REMAKING MEN: WOMEN, WAR AND PEACE

This course approaches war and violence against women through the politics of empathy developed in **Unmaking War, Remaking Men** and treats empathy as both the spiritual force of humanity as well as a social fact of human interconnection. Violence follows from a failure or refusal of empathy which diminishes one's own humanity, laying the groundwork for harm to others – in war, under occupation or at home. Empathy is the foundation upon which universal human rights are built in the determination to protect those whose lives and well being are at risk is built. Invoking empathy as a force for the change brings us in close to both violence against women and state aggression revealing their interconnection and new courses of action.

Subjects to be included in this course:

- From core masculinity across cultures to blinding macho at home and in combat
- Gender socialization for war versus human rights protections
- Social construction of psychopathic leadership from core masculinity for making war
- Resocialization of core masculinity and remaking men
- Global restructuring through demilitarization, human rights and women's self-determination

This course can be adapted to your program or project needs and focus.

Textbook: **Unmaking War, Remaking Men: How Empathy Can Reshape Our Politics, Our Soldiers and Ourselves**, 2011, Phoenix Rising Press of Santa Rosa. www.kathleenbarry.net

Other readings: universal human rights documents

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Offered in 4 to 6 classes of three hours each
as an intensive weekend seminar or,
a week long seminar, or
a four to six week course

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