Peace Education at the ACP

The UNESCO preamble of 1945 states:

"Since wars begin in the minds of men, it is in the minds of men that the defences of peace must be constructed".

Preparing for peace means working for peace at all levels of society in all areas of life and in all places in the world. Learning and teaching peace - in the challenging area from global to local, taking into account different forms of violence and with reference to the reality of life of both the individual and the community - is at the centre of the peace education efforts at the ACP.

In order to prevent violence and deal constructively with conflicts, one needs not only knowledge and skills, but also the internalization of peace-promoting norms and values. All this is taught and trained in the various peace education programmes at the ACP. These include: Competences for conflict transformation and peace, non-violent communication skills, prevention of mobbing and violence, respect, solidarity, integration, inclusion and diversity, as well as teambuilding.

In addition to the "small peace" in our educational institutions and in our society, the focus is also put on dealing with the "great peace" with all its global dimensions.



Austrian Centre for Peace (ACP)

www.ac4p.at

The Austrian Centre for Peace (ACP) has been showing ways to peace for over 40 years. It offers a neutral platform for dialogue and mediation, whether at the Peace Castle in Stadtschlaining or worldwide. The ACP capacity development programmes prepare experts for conflict-sensitive work in crisis regions. Research at the ACP provides the basis. Peace education sensitises the younger generations of our society for peace-building at all levels. The ACP has i.a. been awarded the United Nations title "Peace Messenger" and the UNESCO "Peace Education Prize" for its work.

In addition to the Peace Weeks, the ACP conducts the following peace education activities:

for pupils:

Holocaust History Project, in cooperation with the National Fund of the Republic of Austria for Victims of National Socialism

for teachers:

Systemic Competence Training within the framework of the Peace Weeks

<u>Master of Science Continuing Education "Peace & Life-Skills-Pedagogy" (120 ECTS)</u> in cooperation with the Burgenland College of Education and the Children and Youth Advocacy Burgenland

annual Peace Education Conference "7 days for Peace",in cooperation with the Burgenland College of Education and the Children and Youth Advocacy Burgenland, from 1—7 October every year.

The content is prepared in an age- and knowledge-adequate way, the methods are interactive and innovative.

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PEACE WEEKS

Project days for school classes at the Peace Castle in Stadtschlaining

Violence prevention
Respectful communication
Conflict competencies
Peace skills
Team building



17:30	13:30—16:30	11:30—13:30	08:30—11:30	
Dinner	MODUL 1 "CONFLICT - From ME to YOU to WE to ME"	Lunch	<u>Late Morning:</u> Arrival, Welcome, getting to know the place and each other	DAY 1
Dinner	MODULE 2 "TOGETHER AGAINST VIOLENCE - Courage and social competence"	Lunch	MODUL 1 "CONFLICT - From ME to YOU to WE to ME"	DAY 2
	Departure	Lunch	MODULE 3 "TEAM - working together instead of against each other"	DAY 3

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The programme is created on the basis of our model programmes and the content is adapted to the needs of the classes, as well as to the desired arrival and departure times.

ATTENTION: We recommend that teachers are present during the introductory part of the programme (the first 2-3 hours after arrival) so that they can get an impression of how our trainers work and start the project days together with the students. Please discuss with the trainers directly on site to what extent you can/want to be involved in the other modules! If you would like to contact the trainers in advance to discuss specific issues, we will be happy to help.

Informationen on Peace Education Programmes at the ACP

www.peaceweeks.at

Project Team Peace Education

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Trainers & Lecturers

Our pool of trainers is made up of qualified and registered mediators, qualified outdoor educators, forest educators, coaches, supervisors, artists, etc. Their work is regularly evaluated.



COSTS

2-days Programme with 1 over night stay: € 115,--3-days Programme with 2 over night stays: € 185,--(during 09-10/2025 & 04-06/2026)

2-days Programme with 1 over night stay: € 105,--3-days Programme with 2 over night stays: € 165,--(during 11/2025 – 03/2026)

The prices are per student and include full board, i.e. accommodation, breakfast, lunch and dinner, the costs for all modules and materials, and admission to the museum. All travelling expenses are to be paid by the students themselves. For schools in the immediate vicinity of Stadtschlaining, the event can also be booked with a daily return to the school location. For individual project days that take place as part of the Peace Weeks in Stadtschlaining, the cost per day per pupil is € 31 for the full-day programme (including lunch). Accompanying persons have to pay for their own accommodation and meals.

Prices are valid for the school year 2025/26

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation is in the Burghotel Stadtschlaining in 2-bed, 3-bed or 4-bed rooms. All rooms have their own bathroom with WC and shower; towels and bed linen are provided. Please bring your own slippers, keep the rooms tidy and treat the furniture with care. Damage caused wilfully will be charged. Unless otherwise requested, we reserve single rooms for accompanying teachers.

