

Emory University
Religion, Conflict and Peacebuilding Initiative
Speakers List

<u>Name</u>	<u>Emory Affiliation, Email Address</u>	<u>Areas of Interest, Expertise</u>
Abdullahi Ahmed An-Na'im	School of Law aannaim@emory.edu	Human rights, comparative law, Islamic law; Islam and human rights; human rights and cross-cultural perspectives
Michael Berger	Department of Religion and Institute for Jewish Studies mberg02@emory.edu	Rabbinic texts and culture; medieval Jewish culture; modern Jewish thought
Elizabeth M. Bounds	Candler School of Theology and Graduate Division of Religion ebounds@emory.edu	Conflict transformation/peacebuilding; interfaith engagement with special attention to gender and ethnicity/race
Sam Cherribi	Department of Sociology scherri@emory.edu	European politics and public policy; Islam in Europe, North Africa and the Middle East; development in low income countries; European Union governance
Vincent J. Cornell	Department of Middle Eastern and South Asian Studies vcornel@emory.edu	Islamic studies; Middle East and South Asian studies; Sufism; Islamic law; Islamic theology and philosophy; contemporary Islamic thought; moral theology and philosophy; mystical traditions in the Mediterranean world
Elizabeth Corrie	Candler School of Theology ecorrie@emory.edu	Theories and practices of nonviolent strategies for social change; religious roots of violence and nonviolence; international peacebuilding initiatives; character education and moral development with children and youth
Tara Nancy Doyle	Department of Religion tdoyle@emory.edu	South Asian religion; socially engaged buddhism; Tibetan freedom movement; Buddhist conversion among Dalits
John Dunne	Department of Religion jdunne@emory.edu	Buddhism; conflict in Buddhism; Buddhist perspectives on violence and conflict; contemplative studies
David O. Jenkins	Candler School of Theology dojenki@emory.edu	Asset-based community development; non-profit leadership; disability studies (particularly L'Arche); refugees and immigration policy; contextual education
Bernard Lafayette	Candler School of Theology blafaye@emory.edu	Civil rights movement; nonviolent social change
Richard C. Martin	Department of Religion rcmartin@emory.edu	Religion and violence; Islam and social conflict
Gordon D. Newby	Department of Middle Eastern and South Asian Studies gnewby@emory.edu	Muslim-Jewish-Christian relations, particularly in the pre-modern period as a model for today
Laurie Patton	Department of Religion lpatton@emory.edu	Early Indian ritual and narrative; women and Hinduism in contemporary India; comparative mythology; literary theory in the study of religion
Michael J. Perry	School of Law mperry@law.emory.edu	Law, morality and religion; religious faith and liberal democracy; religion and human rights
Edward L. Queen	Center for Ethics equeen@emory.edu	Religion and conflict; religion and human rights; religion and democratization/civil society; nation-building; Balkans/Southeastern Europe, Caucasus/Central Asia, Middle East
Don Seeman	Department of Religion and Institute for Jewish Studies dseeman@emory.edu	Modern Jewish thought, including Jewish mysticism and mystical violence; ethnography of religious experience; political and religious violence in Israel Middle East; Ethiopian Jews and Jewish ethnography
Luther E. Smith, Jr.	Candler School of Theology luther.smith@emory.edu	Nonviolent strategies of social change; mediation processes; reducing systemic violence against children and youth
Theophus "Thee" Smith	Department of Religion thee.smith@emory.edu	Prejudice reduction; conflict resolution with specialization in the legacy of racial violence
Jacob Vance	Department of French jvance2@emory.edu	Philosophical and literary thought of French spiritual reformers in the French Renaissance; mystical theology in the context of 16th century French Christian humanism

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