"Safe Communities in an Unsafe World" Spring 2018

Life today is an ongoing exercise in cross-cultural negotiations. People from many, often different, mostly unfamiliar, cultures work, live, create, commute and trade with each other. These interactions bring huge benefits and pleasure, but also create a significant amount of miscommunication and disputes.

Communities, families, individuals and those who govern and protect them are continuously faced with complex challenges that require an equally broad "toolbox" of knowledge and practices.



Safe Communities in an Unsafe World is an intensive 1-day program that offers attendees the most advanced research and practical resources on extremism, cross-cultural conflict management and de-escalation. It will explore the role of resilience, empathy, ethics and conflict-of-interest strategies in mitigating conflict resolutions. Attendees will not only understand the theoretical and cultural foundations of these concepts, but will be also equipped to use specific tools to address real-life situations that may arise in their areas of practice.

The course integrates these powerful under-utilized concepts into an operational process called "Mosaic of Engagement[™]" a community-led consensus building methodology, designed to assist stakeholders to build a community-wide capacity for identifying conflict-related challenges and developing collaborative actions to enhance quality of life and public safety.

Course Objectives

- Understand the current challenges presented by extremism and violent activism.
- Understand the place of resilience in detecting, preventing, responding and recovering from disruptive natural and human-made challenges.
- Understand the role of empathy as an essential and useful tool to respond to disruption and violence, by facilitating a constructive inter-personal and inter-intra communal interaction platform.
- Understand the essential role of ethics, and be able to apply conflict-of-interest management practices.
- Be able to create and lead a community-based "Mosaic of Engagement[™]" response through collaborative strategies, partnerships and alliances, as well as public-private initiatives.

Who should attend: *Safe Communities in an Unsafe World* is open to community stakeholders, policy makers, first responders, educators, social workers, and healthcare practitioners.

Registration: Email <u>SCI@price.usc.edu</u> with subject line SAFE COMMUNITIES, with your full name and organization (if applicable) in the body.

Program Cost: \$500 per attendee. The fee covers registration, materials and meals.

Registration Deadline: Friday, March 2, 2018

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Spring 2018 Schedule USC Los Angeles Campus

Tuesday, March 20th, 2018





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