Beyond the Page Faculty Artists Haley Schwartz, Shelley Fort, and Craig Maravich with UWC-USA student leaders.

The Louisville team brainstorms local conflicts where youth learned about unique and not-so-unique social conflicts in each locale. Each night’s focus was on team building, cross-cultural and cross-generational understanding, and the sharing of cultural difference. Emanuel BLTN NextGen youth and Aiken site mentor Dr. Kayla Hostetler gathered at Camp Long with activist speaker Christopher Emanuel.

The lecture and several described it as the high point of their time at Oxford. M-CMRS leadership is analyzing problems within our respective communities and the Middlebury community as a whole. They broadening their understanding of dialogue, along with other forms of communication such as academic and collective growth. On day one, the JusTalks team, along with other student leaders, began to dive into their connection to the Middlebury community and beyond; their hard work and genuine intentions in the circular economy, fabric recycling, and protecting the natural environment of the Serra da Tiririca Transformation. The five-day exchange in Niterói, provided several experiential learning and community tools and creative capacities as different frameworks for mediation practices.

Participants of ELP with Craig Maravich, Program Director of Beyond the Page

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We have new videos coming to our website, active social media, and a podcast in progress. For more information, please visit our website.
Aiken youth celebrate a day of cooperation on the Camp Long ropes courses

Partnership: Schools Abroad, CT Collaborative, and Projects for Peace

International Christian University (ICU), pictured here in February, hosts the Middlebury School of Japan. It is the first Middlebury School Abroad to be a host partner with Projects for Peace (Courtesy of ICU)

Projects for Peace, housed within the Center for Community Engagement, is working with the Collaborative in Conflict Transformation and Middlebury Schools Abroad to encourage proposals with conflict transformation themes and priorities.

In 2023, two student grants from International Christian University (ICU), home to the Middlebury School of Japan, will be funded, with the plan to welcome additional partners in 2024. The ICU projects are, “Peacebuilding through the Story of Reconciliation” and “Achieving Food Sovereignty in Fukushima through Anthropological and Artistic Approaches.”

Project themes for this pilot initiative carry a clear and specific relationship to the topic of conflict and peace-building. Focus areas include reconciliation and cross border dialogue, intercultural collaboration, language reclamation, restorative practices, climate-driven conflict, and diversity, equity, and inclusion.

That's all... for now!

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