



Approach

The course will engage learners through a variety of approaches and activities. There will be some 'lecture style' sessions to provide basic information. In addition, we will use arts-based pedagogy, in particular participants will engage in creative activity to connect their learning with their own ideas and practice. A key element of the program is one or two community visits where participants will engage with and learn from activists working from a Gandhian perspective.

Course Schedule

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| ● Monday
Introductions | ● Thursday
Nonviolent education |
| ● Tuesday
Key Gandhian principles | ● Friday
Social action |
| ● Wednesday
Nonviolent economy | ● Saturday
Local action and global connection |



COURSE OVERVIEW

This learning experience allows participants to learn from Gandhian educators and activists about Gandhian principles in practice. It combines lecture, discussion, artistic engagement, and visits to communities of Gandhian practice.

The purpose is trifold: first to introduce participants to Gandhian principles, second to engage participants with practicing Gandhians, and third to allow participants to think about Gandhian principles in relation to their life and work.

SUPPLIES

We ask all participants to bring with them a paper notebook in which they can write or draw as well as pencils and pens. Additional art supplies will be provided onsite.



Experiencing Gandhi



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Special Elements

Shramdan

Every day will begin with all participants helping to clean the grounds and buildings. We will explain on day one (Monday) the importance of everyone being involved in the labour of maintaining our community.

Arts Based Project

Education from a Gandhian perspective means engaging the whole self in learning – mind, body, heart, and spirit. We use a community art approach to engage participants in a project that will help to bring the learning together with their whole self. We will begin the project on day one and provide some time each day for participants to engage with their art. On the last day we hope participants will choose to share what they have created as a way to talk about what they are taking home with them.

Community Visits

In advance of visits, we will spend time talking about appropriate protocol during visits and afterwards we will debrief the experience and the learning.

For the course
Pay-what-you-can
Cdn\$1,000

We believe that this course is worth \$1,000; however, you can pay what you can. Your fees support us to offer education and community programs to create a world of peace and nonviolence.

Your own
additional costs
Cdn\$500-700

- Accommodation
- Meals
- Local transportation

Optional Extensions

Kerala

- 2 days
- Visits to one rural ecoregenerative initiative and an urban group working for peace
- Approximately \$500

Beejom

- 2 days
- Engaging with the community at this animal sanctuary and sustainable farm.
- Approximately \$500
- <https://beejom.com>

