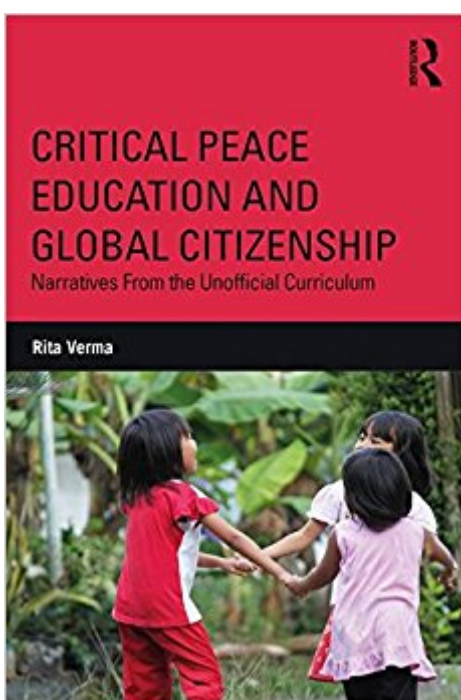


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# Critical Peace Education And Global Citizenship: Narratives From The Unofficial Curriculum (Critical Social Thought)



## Synopsis

Critical Peace Education and Global Citizenship offers narrative accounts representing multiple ways teacher and learner activists have come to realize possibilities for peace and reconciliation through unofficial curricula. With these narratives, the book demonstrates the connections between critical peace education and such crucial issues as human trafficking, gang violence, contested narratives of nationhood and belonging, gender identities, and the significance of mentoring. Through rich examples of pedagogic work, this volume enhances and illustrates critically oriented understandings and interpretations of peace in real classrooms with diverse populations of students. Written primarily for scholars and graduate students working in the fields of educational theory, critical pedagogy, and educational policy, the chapters in this book tell a compelling story about teachers, learners and scholar activists who continue to struggle for the creation of transformative and meaningful sites for peace praxis.

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Critical Peace Education and Global Citizenship is simultaneously inspiring and terrifying. Inspiring in the accounts of highly interactive peace education outside the normal curriculum, and in possibilities for activism, and terrifying in the exposures of both symbolic and real global violence. This book graphically shows us how the key task for our time is not learning about peace but learning not to hate. Verma's contribution to this learning is both important and convincing. -- Lynn Davies, Emeritus Professor of International Education, University of Birmingham, UK

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