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# Resisting war and militarism

Week 19 GRM

Seminar

- **Homework task:**

- Investigate an anti-war/anti-militarist group and reflect on the below questions:
  - • Who are they and when did they form?
  - • In what ways do they resist war and/or militarism?
  - • In what ways do they make use of gender/race/sexuality in their campaigning?
  - • Are their campaigns feminist and/or anti-racist?

UPDATE

## IAW 2024: MARCH FOR PALESTINE

Stop Genocide; Dismantle Apartheid, join us between March 1st - 31st.

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# Israeli Apartheid Week

## March 1st - 31st 2024

March for Palestine: Stop Genocide; Dismantle Apartheid!

- How do anti-war/anti-militarist groups challenge the gendered, racialised and sexualised norms of war/militarism? In what ways do they rely on and (re)produce them?

In summary: Resisting militarism  
= resisting patriarchy/white  
supremacy/homophobia...



*But* this is not always the  
case in anti-militarist spaces

- There's something I notice and wonder about. It's the fact that, on the left, generally speaking, there's an acute awareness of racism and the need to counter it, actively, openly. And I mean on the white left. People don't let being phenotypically white, or ethnically of the dominant group, stop them being actively, committedly anti-racist. Indeed, there's real shame felt in being otherwise. Likewise, some of the people most engaged in the left, for whom 'class' exploitation is an analysis they deploy, a language they speak, that defines a struggle they commit to, are in fact middle-class, property-owning people. But they don't let that stand in the way of their working-class activism. Why is it, then, that when it comes to sex/gender, being a man is so very often sufficient to inhibit anti-patriarchal thinking and pro-feminist activism?

(Cockburn and Enloe 2012)

- Masculinity and [conscientious objectors](#)

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## Alternative Service: Conscientious Objectors and Civilian Public Service in World War II

During World War II, a new program gave young men who refused to wear a uniform other ways to serve their country.

October 16, 2020




**THE CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR  
AT THE  
FRONT!**



WHILE THE SHOT AND SHELL ARE FLYING  
AND THE MIGHTY CANNONS BOOM  
HE IS TIDYING UP THE TRENCHES WITH  
A DUST-PAN AND A BROOM!



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- Is it possible to be anti-militarist without being feminist and anti-racist?