Do you want to change the world?

Rotary Peace Fellows are leaders promoting national and international cooperation, peace, and the successful resolution of conflict throughout their lives, in their careers, and through service activities. Fellows earn a master’s degree in international relations, sustainable development, peace studies, conflict resolution, or a professional development certificate in peace and conflict studies.

Alumni work in a variety of areas, including grassroots and local nongovernmental organizations, national governments, the military, law enforcement, and bilateral and international organizations such as the United Nations, World Bank, International Organization for Migration, and Organization of American States. Graduates of the Rotary Peace Centers program also benefit from the support of a worldwide network of more than 500 alumni committed to building peace.

Through the Rotary Peace Centers program and The Rotary Foundation, Rotarians can increase their effectiveness in promoting greater tolerance and cooperation among peoples, leading to world understanding and peace.
Funding

Rotary Peace Fellowships fund either master’s degree or professional development certificate study at one of the seven Rotary Peace Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution at eight universities worldwide.

Fellowship funding includes

- Tuition and fees
- Room and board
- Round-trip transportation
- Internship (master’s degree) or field study expenses (professional development certificate)

Rotary Peace Fellows must locate funds to pay for all expenses that are not specifically funded by their fellowship, such as mandatory health insurance (excluding the certificate program, which covers this expense) and visas.
“There is a direct linear connection between the work that I am now doing and the opportunities that I had through the Rotary program.”

— Matthew Ford, UNC Chapel Hill, 2005-07

**General Eligibility**

Applicants for a Rotary Peace Fellowship should have:

- A commitment to international understanding and peace, demonstrated through their professional and academic achievements and personal and community service activities
- Bachelor’s degree or equivalent in a related field, with strong grades at the time of application
- Minimum three years’ combined paid or unpaid full-time relevant work experience for the master’s degree program
- Minimum five years’ relevant work experience with current full-time employment in a mid- to upper-level position for the certificate program
- Proficiency in English and a second language for the master’s program or in English for the certificate program
- Excellent leadership skills

The following persons are ineligible for Rotary Peace Fellowships: (a) a Rotarian or honorary Rotarian; (b) an employee of a club, district, or other Rotary entity or of Rotary International; (c) a spouse, lineal descendant (child or grandchild by blood or legal adoption), spouse of lineal descendants, or ancestors (parent or grandparent by blood) of any living person in the categories (a) or (b); and (d) former Rotarians and their relatives as described above within 36 months of resignation.

Please note that a minimum of three years must pass between the date of completion of a candidate’s Ambassadorial Scholarship or professional development certificate at Chulalongkorn University, and the date of application for a Rotary Peace Fellowship (master’s degree). Candidates who have already received a Rotary Peace Fellowship (master’s degree) are not eligible to apply for the professional development certificate program.

Persons with disabilities and Rotaract members are eligible and encouraged to apply.
“This course is a rare and valuable opportunity for all of us in the peace community, due to the sheer presence of distinguished experts and knowledgeable participants. The socialization activities among participants around the world automatically lead to the establishment of a peace-building network which will strengthen future cooperation, understanding, and mutual respect.”

— Petchara Pliensiri, Chulalongkorn University, July 2006
“Each year, more and more peace fellows are added to our numbers, trained and primed to serve at the frontlines in the search for world peace. Also, those to whom we provide Service Above Self — the majority of humanity — desire peace.”

— Josephus Tenga, Duke University, 2004-06
Application Procedures and Deadlines

Application Process

STEP 1 – CLUBS
Applications submitted to local Rotary clubs. You can find your local Rotary club on www.rotary.org.

STEP 2 – DISTRICTS
Club-endorsed applications sent to Rotary districts

STEP 3 – THE ROTARY FOUNDATION
District-endorsed applications sent to The Rotary Foundation for processing. We strongly recommend that districts submit applications only when complete (e-mail to rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org or fax to +1-847-556-2141).

STEP 4 – COMMITTEE
Participants selected in a world-competitive process by the Rotary Peace Centers Selection Committee

Applications are available at www.rotary.org/rotarycenters.
Each district sets its own application deadline to comply with The Rotary Foundation’s deadline and may endorse as many applicants to the world competition as it deems qualified. Each district must submit its candidate applications to the Foundation by 1 July annually for the upcoming master’s degree study year and upcoming January and June certificate program sessions.
**Selection and Assignment**

Ten fellows on average are assigned to each Rotary Peace Center offering a master’s degree, and up to 25 fellows are assigned to each session of the professional development certificate program. Fellows will be assigned to study at a Rotary Peace Center located in a country other than that of their citizenship or residence, with the exception of Japanese citizens interested in enrolling at the Rotary Peace Center in Japan, or Thai citizens interested in enrolling in the Rotary Peace Center in Thailand.

Rotary Peace Fellows are chosen based on their ability to have a significant, positive impact on world peace and conflict resolution during their careers.

**Admission and Study Schedule**

Rotary Peace Fellows are responsible for gaining admission to their assigned Rotary Peace Center university partner for master’s degree programs after being selected by the Rotary Peace Centers Selection Committee. Final admission decisions for the professional development certificate rest with the selection committee; these fellows do not need to apply to the university for admission.

Fellows begin their studies at different times, depending on the academic schedule of their assigned Rotary Peace Center host institution. Northern Hemisphere Rotary Peace Centers master’s degree programs begin in July, August, or September. Southern Hemisphere Rotary Peace Centers master’s degree programs begin the following February or March. The three-month certificate program has two sessions per year: January-April and June-August. Please refer to the university’s website or www.rotary.org/rotarycenters for detailed information on each Rotary Peace Center’s program.
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The professional development certificate course imparts skills and practical applications of a broad spectrum of topics related to peace-building and conflict resolution and focuses on the more practical side of peace-building and conflict resolution. The goal of the course is to provide the tools and foundational theory necessary for practitioners in a wide variety of related fields.

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Duke: Program offers a Masters in International Development Policy through a holistic approach to training, which combines conflict resolution methods, peace-building, and conflict prevention with an emphasis on more sustainable economic, political, and human development.
UNC Chapel Hill: Fellows select from a range of academic departments, including anthropology, city and regional planning, communications studies, education, geography, journalism, political science, public heath, Russian and Eastern European studies, and social work.

All Rotary Peace Fellows at the Duke-UNC Rotary Peace Center graduate with a master’s degree as well as a Graduate Certificate in International Peace and Conflict Resolution from UNC-Chapel Hill.

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An interdisciplinary program encompassing such academic fields as peace studies, development studies, public policy, international relations, and economics. Included are courses relevant to peace, conflict, and security, as well as specialized courses on human rights, economic development, environmental studies, traditional and post-traditional security, and the role of international organizations and international law.

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The MA program in international relations seeks to introduce the most important theoretical, empirical, and methodological developments in international politics, with emphasis on the Latin American region. It offers two main concentrations: one in security, peace, and conflict and one in economics, cooperation, and development.
The Rotary Peace Centre at the University of Bradford is located within the Department of Peace Studies, the world's largest university center for research and courses on peace studies and conflict resolution. The department combines empirical, theoretical, and applied research with sustained engagement at international, regional, national, and local levels to analyze, prevent, and resolve conflicts and develop peaceful societies. It aims for an enabling environment for international research excellence involving diverse and critical approaches, is committed to training new generations of peace researchers, and has built a vibrant, supportive, and critical research environment.

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Provides students with the skills necessary to make a significant contribution to the reduction and prevention of conflict. UQ offers a comprehensive education, providing students with the necessary background in such domains as conflict resolution, mediation, peace-building, peacekeeping, and human rights work. The program aims to not only provide students with exciting professional opportunities, but also to make a contribution toward a more stable and peaceful future. Located in the School of Political Science and International Studies, the UQ Rotary Peace Centre focuses on the political, social, cultural, economic, and moral dimensions of war, peace, and development.

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The master's program in peace and conflict studies offered by the Department of Peace and Conflict Research at Uppsala University enables students to critically examine, assess, and analyze the origin, development, and resolution of armed conflicts on a scientific basis. It provides students with a systematic understanding of the basic questions pertaining to the research and study of matters related to war, peace, and conflict resolution at local, national, regional, and global levels, including security, democracy, economic development, human rights, and gender. The program also focuses on the links between theory, policy, and political practice in peacemaking and peace-building.

"The opportunity to study and explore peace and conflict in Bradford, and all of the people I have met, have left me inspired and committed on this road of working for peace and justice in our world."

— Christina Bischoff, University of Bradford, 2005-07
"The goal of the (Rotary World) Peace Fellowship is to get students out of their comfort zone, into a different country, and equip them with the skills they need to return to their homes and pursue work in international development and conflict resolution. . . . Rotary is once again striving to achieve nothing short of world peace and understanding."

— Andrea Fanta (University of Queensland), Representative, Department of Economic and Community Development, State of Tennessee, USA