



UPPSALA UNIVERSITET

Uppsala Rotary Peace Center

Master of Social Science

The Uppsala Rotary Peace Center in Sweden selects Rotary Peace Fellows based on their ability to have a significant, positive impact on world peace and conflict resolution during their future careers. The ideal candidate for Uppsala's master's program in Peace and Conflict Studies holds a bachelor's degree in peace and conflict studies, international relations, political science, or a related field. Students should demonstrate strong academic achievement and strong commitment to the field of peace and conflict resolution.

Program overview

Specialization: Master of Social Science

Department: Peace and Conflict Research

Program: Peace and Conflict Studies — origin, development, and resolution of armed conflicts, and matters related to war, peace, and conflict resolution at local, national, regional, and global levels, including security, democracy, economic development, human rights, and gender

Courses: Core courses (mandatory, 60 credits) including Causes of Armed Conflict (15 credits), Methods (15 credits), Master's Thesis (30 credits), and elective courses (60 credits) currently including Leadership and Conflict Resolution; International Conflict Resolution; War and Development; Social Psychological Foundations of Intergroup Violence; Emerging Security Threats; Negotiating Global Challenges; Gender, War, and Peace; Local Perspectives on International Peace and Statebuilding Interventions; International Interventions and Protection of Civilians; Reviewing a Research Field

Notable professors: Cecilia Albin, Håvard Hegre, Peter Wallensteen

Length: 21 months beginning September

TOEFL/IELTS

English is the language of instruction. All applicants need to verify English language proficiency by submitting either TOEFL scores (paper: 575 total, with 4.5 in written test OR Internet: 90 total, with 20 in written test) or IELTS scores (6.5 total, with no section below 5.5). Students who have studied at the university level may be exempt from this requirement.

Students by the numbers

- 100 master's level students
- 29 countries
- 26 years (average age)

University rankings

- Ranked among top 90 universities in the world, according to Times Higher Education, QS World University Rankings, and ARWU (Shanghai ranking)
- Highest mark for MA program on all evaluation criteria, Swedish National Agency for Higher Education, 2012

Department research

The department conducts research in several major areas of peace and conflict studies. The main focus of research is the origin, dynamics, and resolution of armed conflict. The Uppsala Conflict Data Program (UCDP) is internationally renowned as a leading institution in its field.

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