UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA ATCHAPEL HILL
DUKE-UNC Rotary Peace Center

The ideal candidate has at least three years of work experience (the average is seven years) and a bachelor’s degree, with an excellent academic record. Candidates may apply to either UNC-Chapel Hill or nearby Duke University (see the Duke University information sheet for details). Established in 1793 as the first state university in the nation, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is a leading graduate research university.

“It’s not only about the generous award that makes it possible to study here [at Duke-UNC] in the first place. What’s even more is the international network, the trainings, the career support, and the fellowship with inspiring professionals from all over the world — that’s what’s changed my life.” — Hanna Schubert (2016-18)

Program overview

Location: Chapel Hill, North Carolina, United States

Degree: Degrees vary by department and school. Students also have the opportunity to receive the UNC Graduate Certificate in International Peace and Conflict Resolution.

Department /schools: Public Health, Global Studies, Journalism, City and Regional Planning, Education, Folklore, Geography, Social Work, and others

Core courses for all Rotary fellows: Conflict Management: The Practice of Negotiation and Mediation, Introduction to Peace and Conflict Studies, Human Rights and Conflict, Monitoring and Evaluation for Peacebuilding Interventions, Capacity Development, Cornerstone Seminar, and Capstone Seminar

Required courses: Varies by department

Notable professors: Margaret Bentley, Carl Ernst, Gary Marks, John Pickles, Dale Whittington

Activities: Practical skills workshops, seminars with experts, professional development trip to Washington, D.C., career coaching, and service opportunities

Length: 21 months, beginning in August

GRE required: GRE General Test is required for applicants to all programs. Scores must be official, reported directly by the test administrator, and cannot be more than five years old. Required minimum scores vary by program. Most require 50th percentile or higher.

English language requirements: English is the language of instruction. All applicants whose first language is not English or who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents must submit either TOEFL scores (paper: 577 with minimum 50/section; internet: 90) or IELTS scores (7). Some exceptions may be considered. Please visit rotarypeacecenternc.org for information.

Career paths of recent graduates:

- National Program Officer at the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe
- Senior Program Advisor, Extractive Industries at Oxfam America
- Executive Director at the Rotarian Action Group for Peace
- Migration health officer at the International Organization for Migration in Niger
- Economic cooperation officer at the Japanese embassy in Tanzania
- Legal adviser to the government of South Africa, with a focus on international law
- Coordinator of clinical services at the Foundation for Survivors of Torture in Australia

Website: rotarypeacecenternc.org

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DUKE UNIVERSITY
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The ideal candidate has at least five years of work experience (the average is eight years) and a bachelor’s degree, with an excellent academic record. Previous quantitative coursework such as microeconomics, statistics, calculus, or algebra is important. Candidates may apply to either Duke or the nearby University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (see the UNC information sheet for details).

“It was incredible to have not just one but two amazing institutions from which I was able to access learning opportunities. The Duke [Master of International Development Policy] program is a unique midcareer program that brings people from around 40 countries together from a range of backgrounds, which further enriches the experience by offering insight into the approaches and experiences of individuals across the globe.” — Techa Beaumont (2016-18)

Program overview

Location: Durham, North Carolina, United States

Degree: Master of International Development Policy (MIDP). The program is a flexible, interdisciplinary degree course that trains professionals who plan to dedicate their careers to policymaking and public service in developing countries. Students also have the opportunity to receive the UNC Graduate Certificate in International Peace and Conflict Resolution.

Department: Sanford School of Public Policy

Program: International development policy with interdisciplinary training in policy analysis and sustainable development that emphasizes conflict prevention through poverty reduction, improved governance, human rights, environmental management, and cooperative processes

Core courses for all Rotary fellows: Conflict Management: The Practice of Negotiation and Mediation, Introduction to Peace and Conflict Studies, Human Rights and Conflict, Monitoring and Evaluation for Peacebuilding Interventions, Capacity Development, Cornerstone Seminar, and Capstone Seminar


Notable professors: Judith Kelley, Anirudh Krishna, Natalia S. Mirovitskaya, and Phyllis Pomerantz

Activities: Practical skills workshops, seminars with experts, professional development trip to Washington, D.C., career coaching, and service opportunities

Length: 21 months, beginning in August

English language requirements: English is the language of instruction. All applicants whose first language is not English or who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents must submit either TOEFL scores (paper: 577 with minimum 50/section; internet: 90), IELTS scores (7) or PTE scores (64). Some exceptions may be considered. Please contact Cheryl Bailey, Master of International Development Policy assistant director, admissions, at cheryl.bailey@duke.edu for information.

Career paths of recent graduates:
• Vice president of the National Institute of Indigenous Affairs of Argentina
• Director of the Mexico program at the Institute for Economics and Peace
• Deputy head of the international relations team at the Korean Red Cross
• Principal disaster risk management officer at the Seychelles Department of Risk and Disaster Management
• Police major at the Federal District Police in Brasilia, Brazil
• Manager of institutional giving at Project HOPE

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