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

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

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Required courses: Varies by department

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Length: 21 months, beginning in August

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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: 550 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
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- Executive Director at the Rotarian Action Group for Peace
- Migration health officer at the International Organization for Migration in Niger
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