



INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY ICU Rotary Peace Center

Master of Arts in Peace Studies

The Rotary Peace Center at International Christian University in Tokyo 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 holds at least a bachelor's degree with an excellent academic record, adequate English proficiency, an ability to think critically about peace and conflict studies, a clear research topic to explore in the master's program, and a strong commitment to global, regional, and national peace-building.

Program overview

Specialization: Peace Studies, Politics and International Studies, Social and Cultural Analysis, Media and Language, or Public Economics

Department: Public Policy and Social Research Program at Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

Required courses: Peace and Conflict Resolution I, four elective core courses, and courses relevant to the selected area of concentration

Other requirements: Master's thesis and successful completion of thesis evaluation

Notable professors: Osamu Arakaki, Shin Chiba, Katsuhiko Mori, Giorgio Shani, Wilhelm Vosse, Ambassador Motohide Yoshikawa

Length: 20 months (plus 1 month of optional Japanese language training) beginning September

TOEFL/IELTS

English is the language of instruction. Applicants whose native language is not English must submit either TOEFL scores (paper 550 OR internet 79) or IELTS scores (6.5). Applicants who have completed undergraduate or master's work in a college/university/graduate school where English is the language of instruction are exempted from this requirement (official certification may be required in some cases).

Students by the numbers

- 110-120 master's level students
- 27 countries

University information

International Christian University has been a pioneer in liberal arts education in Japan since its founding in 1953. The Graduate School is well known for its flexible interdisciplinary program that enables students to approach peace studies from various fields. Its high academic standards, attractive faculty-to-student ratio, and dialogue-centered approaches across the overall curricula make ICU a unique institution not only in Japan but globally.

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