



UPPSALA UNIVERSITET

Uppsala Rotary Peace Center

Master of Social Science (MSSc)

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. After being selected for a Rotary Peace Fellowship, the candidate must pass the regular entry requirements for admission to the master's program in Peace and Conflict studies at Uppsala University.

Program overview

Specialization: Master of Social Science with Peace and Conflict Studies as the main field of study

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 War (15 credits), Methods (15 credits), Master's Thesis (30 credits), and elective courses (60 credits) currently including 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; Causes of Peace; Reviewing a Research Field

Notable professors: Cecilia Albin, Håvard Hegre, Kristine Höglund, Erik Melander, Isak Svensson, Ashok Swain, Peter Wallensteen

Length: 20 months, starting late August

English language requirements

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). For information on other recognized English tests and previous university studies, see www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/English-requirements/

Students by the numbers

- 100 master's level students (ca. 50 per class)
- 23 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 master's 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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