



UPPSALA UNIVERSITY Uppsala Rotary Peace Center

The ideal candidate holds a bachelor's degree or equivalent in peace and conflict studies, international relations, political science, or a related field, and has at least three years of work experience (the average is five years). Students should demonstrate academic achievement, strong English skills, and see the value of evidence-based research and policy. A thesis is a required part of the fellowship.

"The fellowship has been the highlight of my professional and personal life. I have learned a great deal and take with me an enhanced skill set and body of knowledge that will serve me well wherever I find myself next. I have a sharper capacity to approach the problems that face our world. There are no easy answers to the myriad of challenges we face, but the value of the education I have received will certainly enhance my capacity to respond." — Krystal Renschler (2014-16)

Program overview

Location: Uppsala, Sweden

Degree: Master of Social Science within the Peace and Conflict Studies program. Students critically examine and analyze the origin, development, and resolution of organized violence on a scientific basis. They gain broad assessment skills as well as specialized thematic knowledge on related topics.

Department: Peace and Conflict Research. The primary research goal is to understand the dynamics of peace and conflict. Current research areas include Causes of conflict; Communal conflict; Conflict dynamics; Environment and conflict; Gender and conflict; Human rights; Negotiation and mediation; Non-violent conflict; Peace, peacebuilding, and reconciliation; Peacekeeping, political institutions, and conflict; Psychological dimensions of conflicts. The Uppsala Conflict Data Program (UCDP) is the world's main provider of data on organized violence and an unmatched source of information for practitioners and policymakers.

Courses: Core courses include Causes of War, Methods, and a master's thesis. Elective courses can include International Conflict Resolution; Internship in Peace and Conflict Studies; Research Ethics; War and Development; Nonviolent Conflicts: Causes, Strategies, and Outcomes; Emerging Security Threats; Negotiation and Mediation in Practice; Gender, War, and Peace; Peace from Below; International Interventions and Protection of Civilians; Causes of Peace; Reviewing a Research Field; War and Peace on Film.

Notable professors: Hanne Fjelde, Kristine Höglund, Lisa Hultman, Erik Melander, Desirée Nilsson, Magnus Öberg, Isak Svensson, Ashok Swain, Peter Wallensteen

Informal partnerships: Peace Research Institute Oslo, Folke Bernadotte Academy, and the Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation

Activities: Professional development trip, annual seminar, and events planned with the Pax et Bellum student organization, such as lectures, film screenings, and professional development trips like embassy visits

Length: 20 months, starting in late August

English language requirements: English is the language of instruction. Applicants need to verify English language proficiency by submitting either TOEFL scores (only the TOEFL iBT or iBT Special Home Edition Test are currently accepted: 90 total, with 20 in the written test) or IELTS Academic/IELTS UKVI scores (6.5 total, with no section below 5.5). For information on exemptions to this rule (such as previous university studies where English was the main language of instruction), as well as other recognized English tests, see www.universityadmissions.se/en/entry-requirements/english-language-requirements/#how-can-i-meet-the-requirement.

Career paths of recent graduates:

- Weapon Contamination Delegate for the International Committee of the Red Cross in Ukraine
- Founder and director of Seven Women, a social enterprise which helps train marginalized and socially isolated women in Nepal
- Program Director for the Dallaire Institute for Children, Peace, and Security in South Sudan
- Senior Consultant of Big Data and Social Impact with CirroLytx, helping governments and NGOs translate data to actionable policy
- Women, Peace, and Security Program Officer at the Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice
- Head of Emergency Operations at International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
- Executive Officer to First Assistant Secretary, Middle East and Africa Division, at the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

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