



# Rotary Peace Fellowships

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### **Master's degree programs**

- Accepted candidates study peace and development issues with research-informed teaching and a diverse student body. The programs last 15 to 24 months and include a two- to three-month field study, which participants design themselves.

### **Professional development certificate program**

- During the one-year blended learning program, experienced peace and development professionals with diverse backgrounds gain practical skills to promote peace within their communities and across the globe. Fellows complete field studies, and they also design and carry out a social change initiative. This program is intended for working professionals. Fellows earn a post-graduate diploma upon completion of the program.

# Application Process

The 2023-24 Rotary Peace Fellowship application is now closed.

The 2024-25 Rotary Peace Fellowship application will be available 1 February 2023. Application deadline is 15 May 2023.

Applications are reviewed by RI Staff. Applications deemed eligible, qualified, and completed are then reviewed by Peace Chairs and trained Rotary endorsers for endorsement consideration.

Every year, districts must submit endorsed applications to The Rotary Foundation by 1 July. [Review](#) district endorsement instructions.

# Application Process (contd.)

Follow these steps to ensure that your application receives consideration.

1. Review the [eligibility restrictions](#).
2. Research the curriculum and programs at each of the [Rotary Peace Centers](#). You will be asked to rank two centers you prefer for the Master's program and up to two centers for the certificate program, if you meet the eligibility criteria for both programs.
3. Engage with Rotary. Use the [Club Finder](#) to locate the Rotary club nearest you. Connecting with a club is a great way to learn about Rotary's work in your community and around the world. A club recommendation is optional, but strongly recommended as part of your application.

# Application Process (contd.)

4. Submit your application by 15 May. Applications require a resume, academic and/or professional recommendations, essays, transcripts, social impact plan (certificate only), and test scores (master's only). All materials must be in English.

5. Get endorsed. In early June, if your application meets the qualification and eligibility criteria, it will be automatically assigned to a trained Rotary endorser who is either a member of a District Rotary Peace Fellowship Subcommittee, a member of a Rotary club, or a Rotary Peace Fellow program alumnus. Your assigned endorser will reach out to you to schedule an interview during the month of June. After your interview, the Rotary endorser will submit an endorsement decision for your application by 1 July.

# Application Process (contd.)

6. Await selection results. Email notifications will be sent in November. If you are chosen for a fellowship, you will be told at which Peace Center you will study.
7. Apply for admission (master's only) to the university where your Peace Center is located. Being selected for the fellowship does not mean you have been admitted to the university.

# Selection Process

Between July and October, the Rotary Peace Centers Committee, composed of Rotarians and university representatives, screens applications and selects the finalists based on the following criteria:

- Commitment to peace and development
- Leadership potential
- Compatibility with fellowship objectives and fit with Rotary
- Feasibility and impact of Social Change Initiative (Certificate only).

# Eligibility restrictions

Rotary Peace Fellowships may not be used for doctoral study.

The following people are not eligible for the fellowship:

- Active Rotary members
- Employees of a Rotary club or district, Rotary International, or other Rotary entity
- Spouses, lineal descendants (children or grandchildren by blood or legal adoption), spouses of lineal descendants, or ancestors (parents or grandparents by blood) of any living person in these categories
- Former Rotary members and their relatives as described above (within 36 months of their resignation)



# Eligibility restrictions (cont'd)

Candidates must have at least three years between the completion of their most recent academic degree program (undergraduate or graduate degree) and their intended start date for the fellowship. Candidates currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program are not eligible to apply.

Rotary Peace Fellows who have completed the certificate program, Master's program, or a Global Grant Scholarship, must wait three years between the end date of that program and their intended start date for the fellowship.

# Rotary Peace Center Locations

## **Rotary Peace Center Institutions offering the Master's Degree**

- University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia
- University of Bradford, Bradford, England
- International Christian University, Tokyo, Japan
- Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden
- Duke University & University of North Carolina, Durham and Chapel Hill, US

## **Rotary Peace Center Institutions offering the Professional Development Certificate**

- Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda
- Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand

# Resources & reference

Click on the following link.

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Scroll to the bottom of the page and click on Rotary Peace Fellowships Relevant Experience Eligibility to view the PDF file for guidance.