



# University of Queensland Rotary Peace Centre

## **Master of Peace and Conflict Studies (MPaCS)**

The University of Queensland Rotary Peace Centre in Brisbane, Australia, 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 the UQ Rotary Peace Centre program is strong academically and possesses the maturity and interest to work as a cohesive cohort. To gain admission to the Master of Peace and Conflict Studies (24-credit) program candidates require either an approved bachelor degree in the same discipline, with a GPA of 5, or an approved bachelor degree in any discipline, with a GPA of 5 and a minimum of three years professional work experience related to peace and conflict resolution. The candidate demonstrates a clear commitment to peace and conflict resolution, is willing to undertake extensive reading and discussion in the pursuit of knowledge, and is able to participate actively within the cohort of students. Students can choose to focus their electives in the areas of Conflict Resolution, Peacebuilding, or Human Protection, or choose courses across these areas to suit their academic needs.

## **Program overview**

**Specialization:** Master of Peace and Conflict Studies (MPaCS)

**Department:** Graduate Centre in Governance and International Affairs, School of Political Science and International Studies

**Required courses:** Introduction to Peace and Conflict Studies; Conflict Resolution; Peacebuilding; Contested Peace: Critical concepts in peace and conflict studies

Other courses: Contemporary Peacekeeping; Arms Control and Disarmament; Ethics and Human Rights; Culture, Conflict, and Reconciliation; Mediation; Gender, Peace, and Security in Global and Local Perspective; Preventing Sexual and Gender-Based Violence; Introduction to the Responsibility to Protect; Philosophies and Practice of Non-Violence; Indigenous Politics With and Beyond the State; Conflict Analysis and Prevention

**Notable professors:** Professor Alex Bellamy, Professor Roland Bleiker, Dr Morgan Brigg, Dr Nicole George (Program Convenor), Dr Martin Weber

**Length:** 18 months beginning late February

#### **TOEFL/IELTS**

English is the language of instruction. Applicants must demonstrate English proficiency by submitting either TOEFL scores (paper: 570 total, with 5 in written test and 54 in listening & reading OR internet: 90 total, with 21 in written test and 20 in listening & reading) or IELTS scores (6.5 total, with no section below 6). Other qualifications are outlined in UQ's English Language Proficiency Admission Requirements for University Programs. For more information visit: <a href="http://future-students.uq.edu.au/applying/english-language-proficiency-requirements">http://future-students.uq.edu.au/applying/english-language-proficiency-requirements</a>

### Students by the numbers

- 90 master's level students
- 30 countries
- 30 years (average age)

## **University rankings**

- Among top 100 universities worldwide (Academic Ranking of World Universities, Times Higher Education World University Rankings)
- Among the world's top 50 universities worldwide for political science and international relations (QS World University Rankings)
- 5 out of 5 for research performance in political science, international relations, and peace and conflict studies, according to Excellence in Research for Australia assessment

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