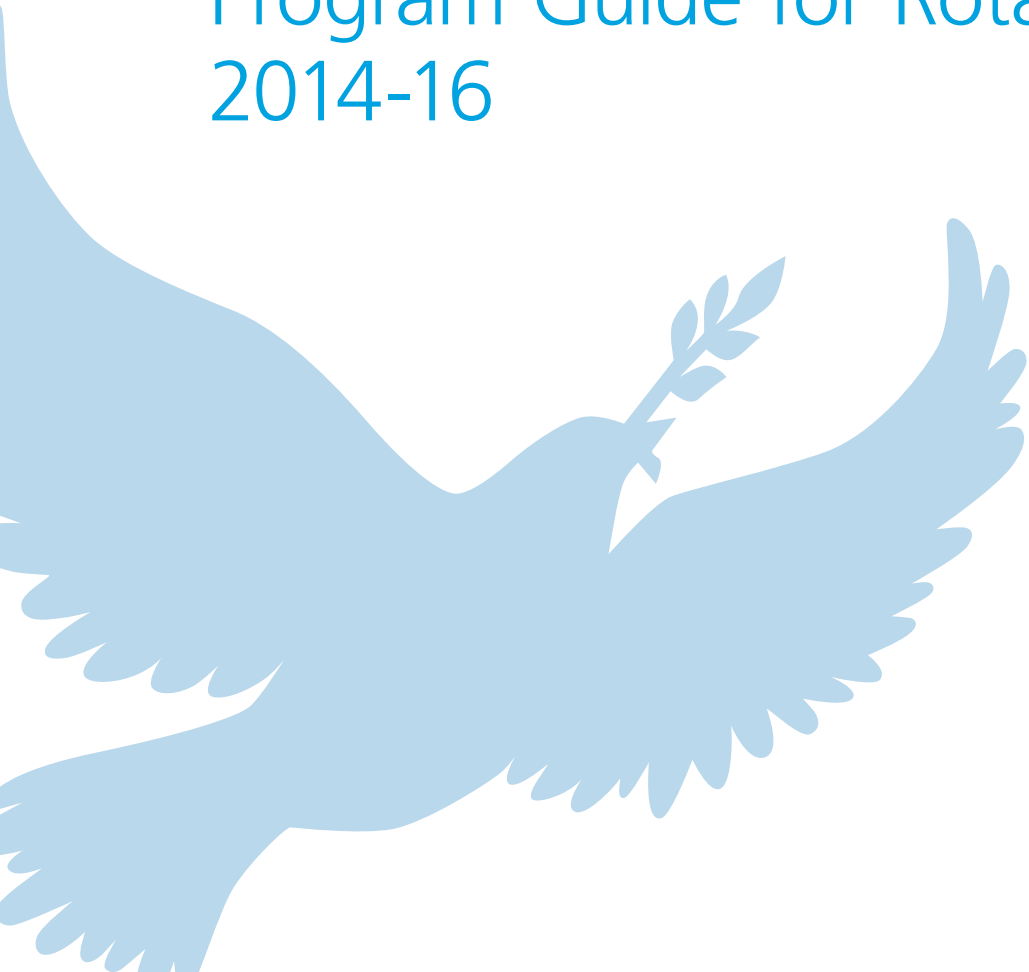


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# ROTARY PEACE CENTERS

Program Guide for Rotarians  
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To make peace in the world, we need more peace-builders.

The Rotary Peace Centers program, a dynamic and ambitious project of The Rotary Foundation, identifies highly qualified professionals and trains them to become agents of peace. Rotarians are vital to recruiting candidates. You can help advance peace around the world by supporting the peace fellows.



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# INTRODUCTION

Rotary's ongoing commitment to peace and the generosity of Rotarians around the world are what have made the Rotary Peace Centers program a success. In just over a decade, the Rotary Peace Centers have trained more than 900 Rotary Peace Fellows who are now working throughout the world in a wide range of occupations and positions of authority to serve the goal of building peace. In addition to contributing to peace as individuals, these dedicated fellows are part of an expanding global network of Rotary alumni whose influence grows exponentially with each graduating class.

This is intended to be a comprehensive handbook that will familiarize Rotarians with all of the guidelines and procedures related to eligibility for Rotary Peace Fellowships, the application process, and funding of the Rotary Peace Centers. It also explains the role that Rotary clubs and districts can play in ensuring the program's continued success.

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Rotary Peace Center's mission is to promote world peace by educating and empowering peace-builders through rigorous academic training, applied field experience, and global networking opportunities. Each year, up to 100 Rotary Peace Fellows are selected to receive full funding to earn either a professional development certificate in peace and conflict studies or a master's degree in any of a range of disciplines related to peace and security. Through this program, Rotary Peace Fellows develop the skills they need to serve as leaders and catalysts for peace and conflict resolution both in their local communities and around the globe.

The Rotary Peace Fellowship is designed for professionals who have already worked in careers related to international relations or peace and conflict resolution and who are committed to community or international humanitarian service and working for peace. The fellowship is not intended for recent college graduates with little to no relevant professional experience.

## PROGRAM OPTIONS AND UNIVERSITY PARTNERS

Six Rotary Peace Centers operate in partnership with seven premier universities in six countries around the world (in the United States, the peace center is associated with both Duke University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill). Each Rotary Peace Center offers its own customized curriculum and field-based learning opportunities that examine peace and conflict theory through various frameworks. Five of the peace centers offer master's degrees; one offers a professional development certificate. **All courses are conducted in English.**

Fellowship Program	Master's Degree	Professional Development Certificate
<b>Purpose</b>	Empowering the leaders of tomorrow	Strengthening the leaders of today
<b>Length of study</b>	15-22 months (varies by university)	3 months
<b>Rotary Peace Centers</b>	5	1
<b>Partner universities</b>	Duke-University of North Carolina International Christian University University of Bradford University of Queensland Uppsala University	Chulalongkorn University
<b>Number of annual fellowships</b>	50 maximum (10 per Rotary Peace Center)	50 maximum (25 per session: January-April or June-August)
<b>Field-based learning opportunities</b>	2-3 months of practical internship during academic break	2-3 weeks of field study incorporated into curriculum

Peace center programs vary by university and may include peace studies, conflict prevention and resolution, international relations, international development policy, journalism, environmental studies, public health, education, and public administration.

Because the universities' admissions requirements and program offerings differ, applicants are expected to research their university options thoroughly and identify their preferences before applying. Links to all university websites can be found at [www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships](http://www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships).

Rotarians should become familiar with the differences in the centers' offerings in order to best advise interested applicants.

### Chulalongkorn University Bangkok, Thailand

- Professional development certificate in peace and conflict studies
- Intensive three-month certificate course that balances theoretical and practical learning while capitalizing on the diverse experiences of expert lecturers and participants
- Emphasis on theory-based, practical tools and techniques for peace-building and conflict resolution
- Admission to the university not required
- Bachelor's degree not required for participation in program
- Two sessions per year: January-April and June-August

### Duke University and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Chapel Hill and Durham, North Carolina, United States

- Master's degree at either Duke or UNC Chapel Hill; all fellows complete a peace and conflict-related curriculum and receive a graduate certificate in international peace and conflict resolution from UNC

- Duke: Program in international development policy; interdisciplinary training in policy analysis and sustainable development that emphasizes conflict prevention through poverty reduction, improved governance, human rights, environmental management, and cooperative processes
- UNC: Various programs, including global studies, city and regional planning, education, geography, journalism, political science, public health, folklore, and social work. Fellows take required courses in the department to which they're admitted and link their specialized studies to the objective of peace and conflict resolution
- Option to submit master's thesis for inclusion in the Carolina Papers Series
- 21 months, beginning in August

## **International Christian University Tokyo, Japan**

- Master's degree in peace studies, public administration, international relations, social and cultural analysis, media and language, or public economics in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
- Specialized courses in security and conflict resolution, religion, conflict and human security, gender and peace, the psychology of peace and conflict resolution, and human rights; optional electives in international law, environment studies, education, and literacy
- Participation in the United Nations University (UNU) Global Seminar and credit transfer for elective courses at UNU
- Japanese proficiency not required but does allow fellows to access a full range of course offerings
- 22 months, beginning in September, with summer Japanese-language training program (six-week intensive program July through mid-August or four-week survival class in August)

## **University of Bradford Bradford, West Yorkshire, England**

- Master's degree in peace studies in the Department of Peace Studies
- Courses in peace studies, conflict resolution, African peace and conflict studies, international politics and security studies, and conflict security and development studies
- Staff and students work in three broad areas: International Security Group, Politics and Social Change Group, and Centre for Conflict Resolution
- 15 months, beginning in September

## **University of Queensland Brisbane, Queensland, Australia**

- Master of International Studies (Peace and Conflict Resolution) program, School of Political Science and International Studies
- Courses in human rights, ethics and world politics, arms control, and global women's issues
- 16 months, beginning in February

## Uppsala University Uppsala, Sweden

- Master of Peace and Conflict Studies program, Department of Peace and Conflict Research
- Critically examine, assess, and analyze the origin, development, and resolution of armed conflicts on a scientific basis
- Gain a systemic understanding of the basic questions pertaining to the study of matters related to war, peace, and conflict resolution at local, national, regional, and global levels, including security, democracy, economic development, human rights, and gender
- 22 months, beginning in September

# ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicants for Rotary Peace Fellowships must have the following:

- Proficiency in English
- Excellent leadership skills
- A strong commitment to international understanding and peace through professional and academic achievements as well as personal and community service activities
- For the certificate program, a strong academic background, plus five years of related work experience
- For the master's program, a bachelor's degree or equivalent, plus three years of related full-time work or volunteer experience
- For the master's program, proficiency in a second language (strongly recommended)

# ELIGIBILITY RESTRICTIONS

- Rotary Peace Fellowships may not be used for PhD study, even if it is possible to complete such a degree at a Rotary Peace Center university within the fellowship period. Applicants who have completed previous graduate study and wish to pursue a PhD are not suitable fellowship candidates.
- Recipients of Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships or Rotary Peace Fellowships in the professional development certificate program cannot apply to the Rotary Peace Fellowship master's degree program until at least three years after completion of the scholarship or fellowship.
- Recipients of the Rotary Peace Fellowships in the master's degree program cannot apply to the professional development certificate program until at least five years after completion of the master's degree program.
- The following people are not eligible for master's degree fellowships. They may apply for the professional development program but, if selected, must pay for all costs associated with the program:

- Active and honorary Rotarians
- Employees of a Rotary club, a Rotary district, Rotary International, or another 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 the categories above
- Former Rotarians and their relatives as described above (until 36 months after resignation)

Note: Applicants with disabilities are eligible for Rotary Foundation awards and must not be overlooked.

## COUNTRY OF STUDY

Fellowship recipients may not study at a Rotary Peace Center in their own country of citizenship or permanent residence, with the following exceptions:

- Japanese citizens or residents of Japan who have completed a course of study outside Japan may attend the center at International Christian University.
- Thai citizens or residents of Thailand may attend the center at Chulalongkorn University.

Applicants with dual citizenship or permanent residence in another country cannot apply for study at a Rotary Peace Center in either country.

## UNIVERSITY ADMISSION

Fellowship recipients must gain unconditional admission to their assigned universities. Final university admission decisions will rest with the universities; Rotary cannot, under any circumstances, intervene in the admissions process. Only peace fellows assigned to the Rotary Peace Center at Chulalongkorn University are exempt from this requirement.

Applicants must be committed to completing the entire Rotary Peace Centers program and obtaining the corresponding degree or certificate at the end of the fellowship period.

## FUNDING

The Rotary Peace Centers are supported by Rotarians, Rotary districts, individuals, and foundations worldwide.

Districts are not required to contribute funds to Rotary Peace Centers in order to endorse candidates. However, all districts are encouraged to allocate some of their District Designated Funds (DDF) to support the Rotary Peace Centers. Any amount of DDF may be contributed; there is no minimum or maximum.



Districts that financially support the Rotary Peace Centers at certain funding levels receive the designation of “Peacebuilder District.” A district may earn this recognition by allocating \$50,000 over two years in any combination of District Designated Funds and cash donations. To maintain Peacebuilder standing, the district must continue to donate \$25,000 annually. For more information on becoming a Peacebuilder District, contact [rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org](mailto:rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org).

Major gifts to The Rotary Foundation that are designated to support the Rotary Peace Centers program are extremely important. Financial contributions from Rotarians and friends of Rotary will ensure the long-term success of the Rotary Peace Centers. To learn more about the Rotary Peace Centers Major Gifts Initiative, visit [www.rotary.org/promote-peace](http://www.rotary.org/promote-peace).

## FINDING AND SELECTING CANDIDATES

Rotary Peace Fellows are selected through a competitive, worldwide review process. All clubs and districts are encouraged to recruit qualified applicants and may endorse as many applicants as they deem qualified from anywhere in the world.

Rotary districts and clubs are asked to establish strategies to market Rotary Peace Fellowships to qualified applicants. Program information and resources are available at [www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships](http://www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships). The [Rotary Peace Fellowships brochure](#) may be ordered free of charge at [shop.rotary.org](http://shop.rotary.org).

Rotary Peace Fellows are chosen from a wide variety of academic and professional backgrounds based on their ability to make the greatest impact on peace and conflict resolution during their careers. Qualified candidates demonstrate a commitment to peace and conflict prevention and resolution through academic, volunteer, and professional experience, as well as outstanding leadership abilities and high academic achievement. Here is a list of some areas from which qualified applicants might be drawn:

- Nongovernmental organizations involved in human rights, disaster relief, aid distribution, environmental advocacy, refugee issues, and other work related to peace and international cooperation
- International organizations and corporations
- Government agencies, such as departments of state, foreign ministries, diplomatic corps, and other groups of civil servants
- International volunteer agencies such as the United States Peace Corps
- Military, security, and law enforcement personnel
- Mediation, arbitration, and dispute-resolution groups
- University alumni associations, career centers, and study abroad departments
- Departments of international studies, international relations, political science, peace studies, and conflict resolution at local colleges and universities
- Former Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholars or Group Study Exchange participants who work with international issues, development, peace-building, and conflict resolution, even if they currently live outside your district

- Clubs and districts in regions that are experiencing or have experienced conflict are especially encouraged to promote this fellowship opportunity. Candidates from these regions have great potential for making an impact on peace and conflict prevention and resolution through study and training at the Rotary Peace Centers.

Districts can use these strategies for promoting the fellowship to qualified candidates:

- Hold informational meetings with the groups listed above.
- Use social media. Announce fellowship opportunities on Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter. You can also like [Rotary Peace Centers on Facebook](#) and repost interesting photos and stories.
- Host lectures or discussions on topics relevant to peace or international understanding.
- Invite current or former Rotary Peace Fellows to speak at informational meetings for Rotarians and non-Rotarian groups.
- Identify people affiliated with the groups listed above and send them copies of the [Rotary Peace Fellowships brochure](#) to share with their students, members, or clients.
- Issue news releases to local or regional publications, college or university newspapers, radio stations, and public access cable TV stations. News releases should refer the audience to [www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships](http://www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships), where those who are interested can find information in all Rotary languages.
- Encourage the organizations and agencies listed above to add links to information about Rotary Peace Fellowships on their websites.
- Contact leaders in Rotary districts that have successfully nominated candidates for the Rotary Peace Fellowships to learn their marketing and recruitment strategies.

## DISTRICT AND CLUB SELECTION AND ENDORSEMENT PROCESS

Connecting interested applicants with local Rotarians is a crucial part of the Rotary Peace Centers application process. Applicants must apply through a Rotary district and may not apply directly to The Rotary Foundation or to a Rotary Peace Center. All applicants must be interviewed and endorsed by a Rotary district. Although interviews and endorsements by individual clubs are not required, they are strongly encouraged.

When contacted by prospective applicants, district officers should inform applicants of the district's application submission deadline of 31 May. A district officer may choose to refer the prospective applicant to the appropriate club for assistance with the application process and for optional club endorsement. The district officer should alert club leaders about possible contacts from prospective applicants.

If clubs do not have complete and current information about the Rotary Peace Centers programs, the Rotary Peace Fellowship subcommittee chair should provide it and direct clubs to the resources available at [www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships](http://www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships).

# CLUB SELECTION AND ENDORSEMENT (OPTIONAL)

Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact a local Rotary club to request a club endorsement. Applicants can find their local club through district referrals or through the club finder at [www.rotary.org/search/club-finder](http://www.rotary.org/search/club-finder).

After clubs find candidates (or applicants find clubs), clubs should review the purpose of the fellowship with the applicants, guide them through the application process, and interview them in person, if possible, or via phone or web conference before endorsing applications and submitting them to the district selection committee by the district's designated deadline. If a club is unable to fulfill these duties, it should refer the applicant to the district selection committee for application consideration without club endorsement.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Applicants should review the entire application online to ensure that they understand all the requirements and steps: [www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships](http://www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships). Note that the application is available only between December and July and may change with each application cycle.
2. Applicants are expected to thoroughly research the curriculum and programs at each of the Rotary Peace Centers at [www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships](http://www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships) and rank the centers in order of preference on the application.
3. Master's degree applicants must include all academic transcripts, test scores, and any other accompanying documents required for admission to the candidate's preferred universities as noted on the application. Applicants should consult the application or individual universities for information on test requirements. Certificate applicants do not include academic transcripts or test scores.
4. Applications and supplementary materials must be completed in English.
5. Applicants contact a local Rotary club to request an interview for club endorsement. Applicants may search for the nearest club at [www.rotary.org/en/search/club-finder](http://www.rotary.org/en/search/club-finder). It is recommended that applicants have all application material available when requesting endorsement. Club endorsement is not required for candidates who already have support at the district level.
6. District interviews are required for all candidates. Applications should be submitted to the sponsoring district no later than 31 May of each year. Districts' deadline for submitting endorsed applications to The Rotary Foundation is 1 July.
7. Fellowship finalists are notified in November of The Rotary Foundation's decision.
8. Once selected by the Foundation, fellowship finalists must apply separately for university admission.

# APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Application form
- Résumé or CV
- Written essays
- Undergraduate transcripts (master's degree only)
- Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) scores (Duke-UNC only)
- For the master's program, one professional and one academic recommendation
- For the certificate program, two professional recommendations including one from a current employer
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) scores (master's degree only if applicable)
- Applicant certification, signed and dated
- District interview and endorsement

## DISTRICT SELECTION COMMITTEE AND PROCESS (REQUIRED)

By 1 July, the district governor and either the Rotary Peace Fellowship subcommittee chair or the district Rotary Foundation chair must complete and submit to The Rotary Foundation the District Interview and Endorsement Form (appendix B) in English for its selected Rotary Peace Fellow candidates. The District Interview and Endorsement Form is emailed to district contacts when the applicant submits the application online. If the applicant completes a paper application, the District Interview and Endorsement Form is included (see appendix B).

It is helpful for the district to form a selection committee to interview and endorse applicants. At a minimum, the committee must include the district governor and either the Rotary Peace Fellowship subcommittee chair or the district Rotary Foundation chair. The Foundation Trustees recommend that the district selection committee that considers Rotary Peace Fellowship applications include the current district Rotary Peace Fellowships subcommittee chair, district governor, immediate past governor, governor-elect, district Rotary Foundation chair, and three Rotarians or non-Rotarians with expertise in the field of peace and conflict resolution, education, or civic or business leadership. The district may want to consider inviting a former Rotary Peace Fellow with professional experience in international relations or conflict resolution to serve on the committee. If possible, the committee should include a member with language skills who can assess applicants' foreign language abilities and, if necessary, their English abilities. (Remember that all classes are conducted in English.)

The primary means districts use to assess candidates' qualifications is an interview. If applicants are living abroad and are unavailable for a personal interview, the district selection committee should arrange for interviews via phone or web conference. Districts should provide complete candidate profiles by providing detailed and thorough responses. Districts may endorse applicants from non-Rotary regions and applicants from other districts who are unable to locate or connect with their home district. Districts interested in endorsing at-large applicants are encouraged to contact Rotary Peace Centers staff at [rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org](mailto:rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org).

## INTERVIEWING CANDIDATES: WHAT TO LOOK FOR

Before endorsing candidates for Rotary Peace Fellowships, clubs and districts should consider how each would further the program's objectives. Assess how well applicants have demonstrated a commitment to international understanding and peace, as well as their potential to become leaders or expand on their leadership role in government, business, education, media, and other professions as demonstrated by their experience. Ultimately, clubs and districts should select candidates who have leadership skills and will promote national and international cooperation, peace, and the successful resolution of conflict throughout their lives, in their careers, and through their service activities. See appendix A for sample interview questions.

When considering applicants' academic and professional achievements, use their résumé, written essay, references, and the interviews to determine how their interests, professional experience, previous studies, and volunteer experiences relate to the goals of the program.

### SAMPLE PROFILES OF SUCCESSFUL PEACE FELLOWS

**A career civil servant** charged with mediating local disputes over political and environmental issues, who plans to develop and implement better social and environmental policies and training models for his or her home government

**A health care professional** who has provided medical care and training to the poor in war-torn countries and plans a career in international public health

**A humanitarian aid agency project officer** who has created microcredit loan programs for AIDS widows in sub-Saharan Africa and plans a career in economic development through poverty reduction

**A social worker** who has counseled child soldiers and plans to work to prevent conflict by creating regional mental health facilities that offer reconciliation and forgiveness training programs

**A career military professional** who worked in protective operations and plans to introduce conflict prevention and resolution methodology to the nation's armed forces

**An educator** who works with youth from different religious and ethnic groups, facilitating projects that will create greater understanding and prevent future conflicts

# COMPETITIVE SELECTION PROCESS

Each year, between July and October, the Rotary Peace Centers Committee, composed of appointed Rotarians and university representatives, screens applications and selects fellowship finalists. Districts and their candidates are notified of the results in November. All final admissions decisions rest with the universities. Finalists in the master’s degree program are not guaranteed admission to their assigned Rotary Peace Center university partner. If a peace fellow finalist does not gain acceptance to the university, the fellow must relinquish the fellowship. Fellowship finalists should not quit their jobs or alter their plans until they have been accepted to the partner university and all plans have been finalized.

## PROGRAM TIMELINE AND DEADLINES

Clubs should submit fellowship applications to the district for consideration no later than 31 May of each year. District-endorsed applications are due to The Rotary Foundation by 1 July of the year before the start of the program. The following timeline is recommended for promoting the fellowship and selecting candidates. The Foundation also asks clubs and districts to be flexible when following this timeline, to allow potential candidates who learn about the fellowship late in the year to apply.

Application and Endorsement Timeline: The Year Before the Program	
December-February	Districts and clubs begin to promote the program to recruit well-qualified candidates. Promotional materials can be ordered online at <a href="http://shop.rotary.org">shop.rotary.org</a> .  Talk with candidates to learn more about their background and which of the programs they are interested in, and direct them to the electronic application available at <a href="http://www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships">www.rotary.org/peace-fellowships</a> to ensure that they understand all of the steps of the application process.
March-May	Clubs (1) interview and select candidates and submit their club-endorsed applications to the district by 31 May or (2) simply forward their applications to the district by 31 May.  Districts recruit potential applicants and receive applications.
March-May	Districts form a committee to interview candidates and determine eligibility. Districts submit the District Interview and Endorsement Form (appendix B) for each qualified applicant by 1 July. Districts must notify applicants of their endorsement decisions by 1 July.
July-October	The Rotary Peace Centers Committee, composed of appointed Rotarians and university representatives, screens applications and selects fellowship finalists.
November	Districts and their candidates are notified of the results. Finalists then apply to the university for acceptance.

# RESOURCES

- Information on the Rotary Peace Centers program and how to support the program is available at [www.rotary.org/support-peace-centers](http://www.rotary.org/support-peace-centers).
- Order Rotary Peace Fellowships brochures at [shop.rotary.org](http://shop.rotary.org).
- Like the Rotary Peace Centers on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/Rotarycenters](http://www.facebook.com/Rotarycenters).
- Subscribe to the monthly peace centers newsletter at [www.rotary.org/newsletters-0](http://www.rotary.org/newsletters-0).
- Join the Rotarian Action Group for Peace Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/RotarianActionGroupForPeace](http://www.facebook.com/RotarianActionGroupForPeace).

# APPENDIXES:

## APPENDIX A SAMPLE INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

- Why are you interested in the Rotary Peace Fellowship?
- What work have you done in the peace field? Tell us about your experience. What impact has that work had on you?
- What languages are you proficient in?
- Tell us about each of your recommendations. Why was the person who wrote it important in your career or your life?
- How do you think the fellowship will advance your career? What role will this fellowship play in your future as a peace worker?
- Which peace center do you prefer to attend? What about that center's curriculum appeals to you?
- Do you consider yourself a peace leader? Why? How have you been a leader in the past? How do you envision being a peace leader in the future?
- What do you know about Rotary? Would you be a good representative for Rotary?

# APPENDIX B

## DISTRICT INTERVIEW AND ENDORSEMENT (REQUIRED)

This report provides critical information to the world-competitive selection committee. Please complete this report thoroughly and honestly. Applications submitted to The Rotary Foundation with incomplete district committee reports cannot be guaranteed full consideration by the selection committee.

1. Number of applications submitted to your district for competition at the district level \_\_\_\_
2. The district Rotary Peace Fellowships subcommittee interviewed this candidate in person.  YES  NO If no, please explain the reason and indicate whether the candidate was interviewed by phone or other means.
3. After meeting with this candidate, what qualities did the subcommittee feel would enable the candidate to be an outstanding Rotary Peace Fellow?
4. How familiar is the candidate with the curriculum at one or more of the Rotary Peace Centers? Why did the candidate select the centers that he/she did?
5. In what ways did the candidate demonstrate leadership and a commitment to peace and conflict resolution? How well did the candidate articulate these qualities in the interview?
6. Considering the candidate's academic and professional background, leadership skills, and commitment to the objectives of the program, how much potential does the candidate have as a future leader of government, business, education, media, or the candidate's chosen profession? How will the candidate work to further world understanding and peace?



7. How well would this candidate represent Rotary? Is the candidate capable of representing Rotary as an active participant in national and international events and academic conferences?

8. What is unique about this candidate?

9. After thoroughly reviewing the application and interviewing the candidate:

**YES**, the district Rotary Peace Fellowship subcommittee **endorses** this candidate for a Rotary Peace Fellowship and will forward this application to The Rotary Foundation.

**OR**

**NO**, the district Rotary Peace Fellowship subcommittee **does not endorse** this candidate for a Rotary Peace Fellowship.

If the subcommittee **does not endorse** this candidate, please explain the reason(s) below and submit the completed application and this form to The Rotary Foundation for statistical purposes.

The district Rotary Peace Fellowships subcommittee is asked to make a photocopy of the complete application for its records before forwarding the application to The Rotary Foundation. Please write your district number in the box in the upper right corner of page 7 of the application.

## DISTRICT INTERVIEW AND ENDORSEMENT (CONTINUED)

We endorse \_\_\_\_\_ for a Rotary Peace Fellowship and forward this application to The Rotary Foundation  
Name of Candidate

for consideration in the world-competitive selection process for Rotary Peace Fellows.

We certify that we have explained to the candidate that:

1. At this stage the applicant remains only a candidate and that The Rotary Foundation Trustees will select the actual Rotary Peace Fellowship recipients following submission of district-endorsed candidate applications to the Foundation
2. The final decision and assignment to one of the Rotary Peace Centers rests with the Foundation Trustees. As the sponsor district, we endorse assignment to any of the preferences listed by the candidate or any other center deemed suitable by the Foundation Trustees
3. The Foundation seeks to develop a group of Rotary Peace Fellows who will obtain advanced degrees in fields related to peace and conflict resolution or professional development certificates in the field of peace and conflict studies and who will make a long-term, positive impact on the future of peace through their leadership and careers
4. The fellow has obligations to the sponsor and host districts before, during, and after the fellowship
5. The candidate is responsible for securing admission to the degree program of the assigned Rotary Peace Centers university partner (if applicable), and in the event that the fellow is unable to secure admission to the assigned program, that he/she immediately relinquish his/her Rotary Peace Fellowship
6. Fellows must begin their studies as specified by their assigned Rotary Peace Center. For Rotary Peace Centers offering master's degrees, programs begin July, August, or September 2016 or February or March of 2017 (University of Queensland only). The Rotary Peace Center offering a professional development certificate begins its program in January or June 2016.
7. The candidate must be committed to completing the entire program
8. The fellow is responsible for all costs associated with a spouse or dependents who may accompany the fellow during the fellowship period
9. The actual amount of the fellowship will vary depending on the cost of tuition, fees, reasonable living expenses, round-trip transportation, some books, supplies, and other limited expenses
10. We have not promised a specific sum of money to the candidate in conjunction with the Rotary Peace Fellowship

We endorse this candidate for a Rotary Peace Fellowship and certify that we have explained to the candidate the terms of the fellowship outlined above. The district governor-elect has been informed of this endorsement.

Name of District Governor Phone Email

Signature of District Governor Date District

Obtain the signature of the district Rotary Foundation committee chair or the Rotary Peace Fellowships subcommittee chair.

Name of district Rotary Foundation committee chair Phone Email

Signature of district Rotary Foundation committee chair Date District

OR

Name of Rotary Peace Fellowships subcommittee chair Phone Email

Signature of Rotary Peace Fellowships subcommittee chair Date District

**BE SURE TO SUBMIT A COMPLETE APPLICATION with club endorsement (optional) and district endorsement. Email submissions are preferred; email applications to [rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org](mailto:rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org). Attachments must be under 10 MB. Districts will receive a confirmation email of submission and processing. District-endorsed applications for the 2016 Rotary Peace Fellowships competition are due to The Rotary Foundation by 1 July 2015.**



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