Rotary Peace Centers Fellowship
The Rotary Peace Centers program has a **vision of sustainable peace** — encompassing a network of peacebuilders and community leaders dedicated to preventing and resolving conflicts around the globe.
Rotary partners with eight leading universities to host Rotary Peace Centers that empower, educate, and increase the capacity of peacebuilders.
More than 1,400 program alumni are working on peace and development in more than 115 countries.
Up to **130** Rotary Peace Fellows are chosen annually.

**Master’s program:**
- Those near the start of their careers
- **50** fellows per year (10 per center)
- 15-24 month course

**Certificate program:**
- Proven peace and development leaders
- **80** fellows per year (20 per cohort)
- One-year blended learning program intended for working professionals
Master’s program
Fellowship components

ACADEMIC TRAINING
Learn theories and approaches

APPLIED FIELD EXPERIENCE
Build practical skills

NETWORKING
Expand your global network

WORKSHOP SERIES
Develop professional skills

FINAL SEMINAR
Present your master’s research
Master’s degree candidates must:

- Be proficient in English
- Have a bachelor’s degree
- Have a strong and proven commitment to cross-cultural understanding and peace
- Demonstrate leadership skills
- Have at least three years of full-time experience in peace or development work (five years for the Duke program)
Certificate program
Fellowship components
Certificate candidates must:

- Be proficient in English
- Have a bachelor’s degree
- Have a strong and proven commitment to cross-cultural understanding and peace
- Demonstrate leadership skills
- Have at least five years of full-time experience in peace or development work
- Be able to explain how their plan to promote peace aligns with Rotary’s mission
- Candidates for Makerere University: Either be from Africa, have worked in Africa, or work with African communities or initiatives outside the continent.
Fellowship funding

Total average funding:

Master’s fellowship: US$75,000
Certificate fellowship: US$11,000

Master’s funding includes:
• Tuition
• Room and board
• Travel to and from country of study
• Internship expenses
• Conference/research expenses
• Insurance
• Contingency fund

Certificate funding includes:
• Tuition
• On-campus accommodations
• Travel to and from country of study
• Field study expenses
• Course materials
• Insurance
How to apply

• Visit rotary.org/peace-fellowships to see the eligibility requirements and restrictions. Applications are available in February.

• Research the curriculum and programs at each Rotary Peace Center. Be prepared to rank two centers for the master’s program or choose one for the certificate program. aakusunoki@aol.com

• Use the Club Finder to locate a club near you and engage with Rotary.

• Submit the online application to The Rotary Foundation by 15 May.

• Get endorsed. Qualified applications will be sent to Rotary districts or an alternative pathway for endorsement consideration in early June. Districts have until 1 July to submit their endorsement decisions.

• Candidates will be notified of the Rotary Foundation’s decision in November.

• Once selected, master’s fellowship finalists must apply separately for university admission.

In District 5000 Contact Alan Kusunoki aakusunoki@aol.com
Rotary Peace Fellow Alumni
Program alumni serve as leaders in government and nongovernment agencies, education and research, United Nations agencies, law enforcement and the military, humanitarian groups, and international organizations.
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Rotarian Peace Projects Incubator

Announcing the Winner Project:
Women Peace Ambassadors for the South Caucasus by Nino Lotishvili

Details here

Purpose and Objectives

What?

The Rotarian Peace Projects Incubator seeks to develop peace projects that are tailored to address urgent community needs.

Every day, we hear about conflicts, wars, refugees, atrocities, and victims. These conflicts seem so remote to us, often times feeling unreal and difficult to imagine the hardships people endure. And yet, as humans we cannot close our eyes to the suffering because peace concerns us all.

What can we do as Rotarians? We have a moral responsibility to look closely and reflect on how we can alleviate suffering. If we turn away from those in need, their suffering can easily become our own.

More than 50 Rotary Peace Fellows, Rotarians, Rotaractors and international experts worked to have at least 50 global grant-ready Peace Projects. Projects that Rotary Clubs worldwide can take on board and implement. Have a look at the project list.

Join us in developing projects that make the world a more peaceful place!
Rotary District 5000 Global Grants: Global Peace Forum in Hawaii May 1—The Future of Global Peace is Global Grants

Register: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwulumGpqTKjGURHHm6sV97XkH8AAGAgEg

Reem Guinaim
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ROTARY ACTION GROUP FOR PEACE

Executive Director for the Rotary Action Group for Peace, Reem is a Business Peace Activist and an Ambassador for the Global Peace Index for the Institute for Economics and Peace. Reem started in the field as a Diplomat in Goodwill and a Senior Fellow at United Nations Rotary Peace Center. She earned her master’s Degree in Civil and Structural Engineering and a Master in Peace and Conflict Resolution. She is now a Rotarian in the Portland Rotary Club.

Gretchen Alther
SENIOR LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST, EAST-WEST CENTER

Gretchen is expanding the East-West Center’s leadership programs for women, directs the Center’s flagship residential course, the Asia Pacific Leadership Program and contributes to other short- and long-term training both in Hawaii and across the region. With over 15 years in experience as an international educator and humanist, Ms. Alther inspires and program design with a commitment to equity and to grassroots communities. She earned an M.A. from Brandeis University postgraduate certificate in leadership and peacebuilding from the East-West Center and Chulalokorn University as a Rotary Peace Fellow.

Scott Nishimoto
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CEEDS OF PEACE HAWAI'I

Now in his third year as Executive Director of CEEDS of Peace. Scott’s mission is to raise peacebuilding leaders and in this role, he and the CEEDS team have launched various platforms and opportunities for educators, families, youth, and general community members to build peace in their own communities and beyond.

Peter Kyle
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

The Dean of Rotary Peacebuilders, Peter has been involved in alumni Rotary Peace Fellow activities and has chaired both the Alumni Relations and Rotary Peace Centers Committees. He has also served as an International Assembly Trainer, clubs’ strategy, President’s Representative and Dean of the Rotary Representative Network. He is currently the 35th Director for 2020-22 in Zones 35, 35.

Al Jubitz
FOUNDER OF THE ROTARIAN ACTION GROUP FOR PEACE

Al is the Founder of the Rotary Action Group for Peace. A third generation Rotarian, he is an Honorary Member of the Rotary Club of Kono Sutrie.
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The Session:
Join us for a talk-story featuring Rotarians and Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (RPCV) to learn about their work in peacebuilding and the resources that could fund your future peace-related service projects or graduate studies.
Charlie Allen (Australia)

Chulalongkorn, 2010

Director of partnerships
Institute for Economics and Peace
Australia

“The fellowship opened up my thinking, created new pathways, provided a new set of tools, and most important, opened up a whole new network of people and resources.”
Abdikheir Ahmed (Somalia)

Queensland, 2011-12

Director
Immigration Partnership
Canada

“We are a family of peace fellows; we see ourselves as change agents in the community. And to be a change agent, you need to be able to influence society and put yourself in the loop of decision-making.”
Bradford UK, 2018-19

Director
Nethelands, Turkey

**Applied Field Experience**

“The applied field experience (AFE) has been a great complement to the academic skills I have gained at the University of Bradford and my professional experience.”
For more information, write to us at:
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QUESTIONS