M.A. Programme in Gender and Peacebuilding

Is it for you?

Are you a peace practitioner working with local or international organizations and want to understand more about how gender issues should be considered in peace and conflict situations?

Do you envision yourself involved in peacebuilding and peacekeeping efforts while being conscious of gender sensitivities surrounding this work?

Do you want to study the systemic nature of gendered inequalities through an intersectional lens and explore them in connection with other systems of oppression (such as those based on race, ethnicity, religion, ability, and class, among others)?

Do you want to spend a year in a Master’s programme that supports you in engaging in scholarly debates within the field of Gender and Peacebuilding, at a global university where students and faculty members are drawn from every corner of the world?

What will you learn?

The Master’s degree in Gender and Peacebuilding will allow you to delve into a rigorous scheme of studies. This programme has been designed to nurture your critical thinking abilities, foster your research skills, and to provide you with the knowledge and skills needed to be an intersectional scholar who is being mindful of the gendered dimensions of conflict transformation and peacebuilding. Through this programme, you will:

- Be familiarized with the current theoretical and practical debates and trends within the field of Gender and Peacebuilding
- Understand gender mainstreaming as it applies to local, national and global issues
- Develop an in-depth understanding of the United Nations System and related organizations working for peace in local, regional, and international contexts
- Engage in research that enables you to critically analyze gender as it manifests itself in a variety of contexts
- Apply an intersectional gendered lens to conflict situations
- Identify how gender functions through media

M.A. in Gender and Peacebuilding: University Wide Courses

You will receive, along with your peers from other programmes, courses on Peace and Conflict theories and practices, the UN system, the relationship of identity politics and peacebuilding, and research methods. The students of this M.A. programme will also receive practical training on working in conflict areas. For more information about these courses, follow this link to consult the Detailed Academic Calendar (in table format): [https://bit.ly/2WLHg9U](https://bit.ly/2WLHg9U).

M.A. in Gender and Peacebuilding: Programme-Specific Courses

In addition to the university-wide courses, students in this programme will take 9 programme-specific courses. Previous courses include:

- Tools for Conflict Transformation
- Identity Politics, Inclusion and Peacebuilding
- Gender and Peacebuilding
- Gender in Everyday Life
- Gender, Human Security, and Development
- Gender Mainstreaming in Peacekeeping Operations and in Humanitarian Assistance
- Gendered Representations
- Gender and People on the Move: Trafficking, Refugees, Asylum Seekers and Migrants
- Identity Politics, Inclusion and Peacebuilding

- Thesis/Capstone/Internship: In the final months of the M.A. programme, you will produce a research-based thesis or a capstone project. You will also have the option to choose an internship at a relevant organization to complete your M.A. programme requirements.
The M.A. in Gender and Peacebuilding is offered by the internationally-recognized Department of Peace and Conflict Studies of the University for Peace. As a leading center of peace and conflict research and education, the department offers various other M.A. programmes on International Peace Studies, Media and Peace and Peace Education. It caters to a diverse, global body of students. Instruction is provided by a group of leading scholars and expert practitioners in the field.

The University for Peace - established by the UN General Assembly in 1980 - has been training leaders for peace for the past four decades. It is the world’s leading educational institution in the field of peace and conflict resolution in its pursuit of the mandate given to it by the General Assembly, namely “to provide humanity with an international institution of higher education for peace and with the aim of promoting among all human beings the spirit of understanding, tolerance and peaceful coexistence, to stimulate cooperation among peoples and to help lessen obstacles and threats to world peace and progress, in keeping with the noble aspirations proclaimed in the Charter of the United Nations”.

How to Apply?

1. Go to [www.upeace.org](http://www.upeace.org) and find the programme of your choice by visiting the Programmes section. We recommend you read the “IS IT FOR YOU” cards for each programme, as they are designed to help you find the programme best suited to your professional profile.

2. Click on Requirements in the top menu bar within the programme of your choice to learn about the required documentation you’ll need to have on hand when filling out your application form.

3. Read the instructions and click on Apply Now to begin the application process.

4. Please take note of your application code before you begin filling out the form. The online application will automatically save your progress as you advance through the screens, but you will need this code to return to an unfinished application.

5. At any time during the Application Process, connect with the Admissions Team for assistance at [admissions@upeace.org](mailto:admissions@upeace.org) - UPEACE admissions notifications will come via email, so check your inbox.

6. Once your Application has been submitted, the Admissions Team will review it and inform you of your admissions status.

7. Once you’ve been accepted at UPEACE, make sure to review your Admissions Package and fill out the necessary documentation to complete your enrolment.

8. Once your first payment has been submitted, UPEACE will contact you regarding your visa application and housing options.

9. GET READY FOR A TRANSFORMATIVE YEAR AT UPEACE!
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Tuition Fees

$17,000
TUITION

+$2,500
ADMINISTRATIVE
FEES

$19,500
USD

*The UPEACE M.A. programmes are designed to be completed in one year

Scholarships and Waivers

30%
- Citizen or national of a signatory country of the UPEACE Charter
- Students who have received an undergraduate or graduate degree from a partner university
- Peace Corps veterans
- ONLY for M.A. in Spanish (Resolución de Conflictos, Paz y Desarrollo): Citizens or nationals of countries where Spanish is the official language

50%
- Professors from a partner university
- Costa Rican citizens and residents (host country)
- Current, full-time UN employees and volunteers
- Members of the official diplomatic missions to the UN
- Documented refugee or asylee
- UPEACE Alumni

30 - 50%
- Merit Based
- Discretionary*

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