WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

• How to create social impact for peacebuilding and humanitarian purposes
• How to critically analyze traditional and digital media from a peacebuilding perspective
• Knowledge of how contemporary media functions and what role it can play in peacebuilding and conflict transformation
• How to become an insightful researcher, an effective policymaker and a reflexive communicator, and help you make a positive impact in the global humanitarian field.

In the final months of the M.A. programme, you will produce a research-based thesis or a capstone project. Previous courses include:
- Conflict, Media Technoculture and Peace
- Citizenship, Global Structures and Cultures, Media and Conflict
- Conflictos, Paz y Desarrollo

WHERE WILL YOU BE STUDYING?

The University for Peace - established by the General Assembly of the UN in 1980 - has been training leaders for peace for the past 40 decades. It is the world's leading educational institution in the field of peace and conflict resolution. As a leading center of peace and conflict research and education, the department offers various after-peace program courses, seminars, and capstone and internship/capstone (or thesis) courses. Instruction is provided by a group of leading scholars and expert practitioners in the field.

The University for Peace is located in San José, Costa Rica. Although the main campus is located in the country, the University has an international reach and offers an educational experience that transcends national borders.

Tuition Fees

$17,000

$2,500

$19,500

SCHOLARSHIPS & WAVERS

30% Scholarships

- Citizens of a signatory country of the UN
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- UN Staff (or high-level/production level UN Staff)
- UN Volunteers
- UN Staff's immediate family members

50% Veteran, Military, Peace Corps

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M.A. in Media and Peace: Programme-Specific Courses

In addition to the university-wide courses, students in the programme will take specific programme-specific courses.

Introduction to Media and Peace

Global Structures and Cultures, Media and Conflict

Citizenship, International Law and Media

Conflict, Media Technoculture and Peace

Thesis/Capstone/Internship

M.A. in Media and Peace: University-Wide Courses

Course to Conflict Intervention

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Pacific Ocean


Rice + Beans + Meat + Salad + Fried Plantains = Casado

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Citizen Colon and nearby Santa Ana offers several times a day. A detailed bus schedule will be provided upon arrival.

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Although the country is small and covers only 0.03% of the surface of the globe, it proudly shelters 5% of the existing biodiversity in the entire world. An entire 25.58% of the country is a designated National Park, which is the highest percentage in the world. Costa Rica is located in Central America, and has been ranked as one of the most environmentally friendly countries in the world. Costa Rica's impressive high quality of life has in fact led to it being referred to as 'the Switzerland of Central America'.

Costa Rican food incorporates several staples of Latin American cuisine, yet Costa Ricans have taken these familiar ingredients and tailored them to suit their own taste. In Costa Rica, you can expect to find traditional dishes like casado, and proudly promote their own version of local dishes, such as the famous Gallo Pinto.

Costa Rican dishes incorporate the most common ingredients of Latin America: Rice, Beans, Meat, and vegetables. Casado, is the most common dish in Costa Rica. It consists of beans, fried rice, grilled onions. The meat that comes with a casado is grilled or sautéed, but never fried. Sometimes the casado includes French fries or extra vegetables such as avocado.

Although Costa Rica is considered to be a middle-income country, the average Costa Rican earns just over $10 per month. In fact, Costa Ricans are actually a very proud and independent people who are self-sufficient when it comes to food. For example, they grow their own vegetables, enough to last a year.

Tico makes up more than 95% of the population and is Costa Rica's indigenous race. While today most Ticos speak Spanish, their roots are descended from Indian and African cultures.

Costa Rican food is just one of the many things that make Costa Rica a popular destination for tourists. Although the country is small and runs a small economy, its population is well-fed and of high standard of living. Costa Ricans have a high regard for their native country and it's natural resources. Costa Ricans are friendly and welcoming, and love to help visitors and make their stay as enjoyable as possible.

The Costa Rican government has done an excellent job of protecting the country's natural resources and preserving it's natural beauty. As a result, Costa Rica is a great place to do business, build homes, and raise families. Although the country is small and runs a small economy, its population is well-fed and of high standard of living. With no armed forces to spend money on, Costa Rica has more money to invest in other state priorities, such as higher education. For accommodation, you can generally expect to pay between US$350 to US$500 per month for a one-bedroom apartment.

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