Online M.A. in Sustainable Peace in the Contemporary World
Application Process

General Information

The M.A. degree is designed to serve the educational needs of prospective graduate students who are interested in the serious study of peace at a graduate level, regardless of their professional background.

To apply for the Online M.A. Sustainable Peace in the Contemporary World, please complete the ONLINE application form here.

Once you complete the application form electronically and your file is reviewed and you are granted admission to the Online Programme, you will need to send an official undergraduate transcript and English Language Proficiency Test Report (if applicable) to make registration official.

Within the electronic application form, you will be asked to upload copies of the following documentation:

- English Proficiency Test Scores Report (TOEFL, IELTS)
- Statement of Purpose
- Letters of Recommendation
- Copy of Undergraduate Transcripts
- Curriculum Vitae or Résumé
- Copy of Valid Identification

Proficiency Test Score Report

A copy of an English Language Proficiency Test Report is required for all applicants from non-English-speaking countries. The following English Proficiency Tests are accepted:

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Note:

- **UPEACE TOEFL Code: 7180**
- TOEIC and TOEFL-ITP is no longer be accepted.
- Tests that are more than two years old are not valid. This means that applicants who took the English Test more than two years ago must repeat the test.
- If an original "Applicant's Score Confirmation Report" is available, you may send it with your application package; copies are not valid, the official institutional score report must then be sent by ETS.
To waive the English Language Proficiency Test Report, applicants from non-English speaking countries may present the following documents:

- Certified, authenticated or notarized true copy of Undergraduate Degree from an English Speaking Country or English Speaking University. This degree must have been issued within the last two years.
- Letter from a higher education institution certifying enrollment or completion of a programme by the applicant, and stating that the medium of instruction was English.

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**Statement of Purpose**

The **statement of purpose** must be between 500 and 1000 words, and must respond to the following questions:

- Why have you decided to apply to this programme?
- What are your expectations from this programme?
- What are your career prospects after completing this programme?

**Letters of Recommendation**

Two (2) letters of recommendation are required for all applicants. The letters should be from faculty or academic advisors from your academic experience or managers or other superiors from a professional work environment who are qualified to evaluate applicant's potential for graduate study. The letters need to include the referees title, their relation to, and how long they've known the applicant. The letters should also outline specific examples of applicant's work and why the referee feels the applicant is a fit for the specific UPEACE programme.

Examples of valid referees or recommenders are:

- Faculty, deans, or professors
- Academic advisors
- Immediate supervisors
- Research project managers
- Mentors in a superior position in the workplace, volunteer, or University setting

Letters from family members, close friends, or non-superior colleagues are not accepted. Signed letters can be uploaded directly to the online application form or the referees can email their letters directly to the admissions officer at admissions@elearning.upeace.org.

**Transcripts**

Each applicant must upload a copy of the **original transcript** of an undergraduate (Bachelor's) degree bearing the signature of the Registrar and the school seal, including the graduation date. If unable to obtain the student's graduation date at the time of application to UPEACE, requesting an official letter from the university's registrar's office is permitted. Please attach the official grading system used by the University or country, if this is not clearly explained on the flip side of the transcript.
If the original transcript is not in English, an official copy in the original language and an official English translation must be sent.

**Curriculum Vitae or Resume**

The **Curriculum Vitae or Resume** must clearly state the following information:

- Name and birth date of applicant
- E-mail address and phone number
- Postal address
- Academic background (including institution name, graduation year and degree obtained)
- Working experience (including name of the institution, date of beginning, ending date and position)
- Any other relevant information

**Copy of Valid Identification**

All applicants must provide a clear photocopy of their **valid identification** (passport ID is preferred), demonstrating the following information:

- Name
- Photo
- Birth date and place
- Issuance and expiration date