

Certificate in International Peace and Conflict Resolution

Specialize in peace and conflict resolution in communities and nations around the world

The Graduate Certificate in International Peace and Conflict Resolution is available to currently enrolled UNC-Chapel Hill graduate students in all departments and schools who wish to demonstrate a specialization in issues of international peace and conflict resolution. The Certificate may be awarded at either the master's or doctoral level and is noted on the student's transcript.

The goals of this Certificate are for students to:

- Demonstrate a specialization in issues related to peace and conflict resolution in the international arena. Research and coursework must therefore have significant international content.
- Foster interdisciplinary approaches to peace and conflict resolution
- Gain hands-on practical experience in peace and conflict resolution by working with a relevant volunteer organization.

Requirements

1. Three approved courses (9 credit hours) on topics related to international peace and conflict resolution. Courses should relate to at least two of the following thematic areas: *Economic Development/Sustainable Development; Politics & Governance; Culture/Identity/Nationalism/Human Rights; and Negotiation, Mediation and Conflict Resolution*. At least one of the three courses must be taken outside the student's home department.
2. A thesis, dissertation, or major seminar paper on a topic related to international peace and conflict resolution. Submit to the Duke-UNC Rotary Peace Center a thesis, dissertation, or major seminar paper on a topic related to international development and social change. **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: 4 MAY 2018**
3. An independent research project or internship involving at least 80 hours of practical service with a volunteer organization that works to promote peace, social justice, sustainable development and/or conflict resolution. This project must result in a 5 to 10-page critical analysis of how the organization deals with peace and conflict resolution. **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: 4 MAY 2018**
4. Attendance at the annual Duke-UNC Rotary Peace Center conference (next conference will be held on April 7, 2018).

Process

Graduate students interested in pursuing the Certificate are responsible for constructing their own course plan and making all arrangements associated with the independent research project/internship. Students should:

1. Design a course plan in consultation with your faculty advisor and email it to the Managing Director of the Rotary Peace Center for approval. Course plans must demonstrate thematic integrity and coherence. Independent Study and language courses do not count toward the course requirements. The completed and signed certificate application form should be forwarded to the Managing Director of the Duke-UNC Rotary Center no later than October 31st of the applicant's first year of study. ****Please note that only 40% of the certificate requirements can double-count toward another student degree (i.e., generally only one course) to enable receipt of two separate university credentials. In other words, you must demonstrate that you have taken a minimum of 5.5 additional credits beyond your graduate degree requirements in order to receive the certificate.**
2. Approved applicants must attend the Rotary Peace Conference on April 7, 2018.
3. Prior to initiation of the independent research project or internship, the student must submit a written statement of intent to the Duke-UNC Rotary Peace Center for approval, in which the relevance and goals of the project are clearly delineated. An official letter of affiliation from the proposed organization is also required.
4. Following the practical service period, the student must submit to the Rotary Peace Center a 5- to 10-page critical analysis of the project and its relation to an issue of international peace and conflict resolution.
5. Submit the thesis, dissertation, or major seminar paper to the Rotary Peace Center.
6. **All materials must be received prior to the student's graduation date, specifically 4 May 2018.**

Awarding of the Certificate

The certificate will be noted as a stamp on the university transcript for UNC students. All recipients will receive a paper certificate from the Center for Global Initiatives.

For more information, contact:

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GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

A Program of the Center for Global Initiatives (<http://gi.unc.edu>)

Name:

PID:

Dept. or School:

Degree pursuing:

Email address:

Expected date of graduation:

Academic Work

Courses taken to meet requirement:

Dept. and Course #	Course Title	# of credits	Semester Taken	Host Institution (where taken)
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				

Written Work

Title of Major Research Paper:

Training

The practical service requirement has been met by (briefly describe):

Student signature:	Date:
Rotary Center Managing Director signature:	Date: