



## ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIP

We are looking for candidates who live in or are originally from our community of North Georgia to apply for a Rotary Peace Fellowship. Each year, Rotary awards fully funded fellowships for dedicated leaders from around the world to study at one of our Rotary Peace Centers at premier universities. The fellowships cover tuition and fees, room and board, round-trip transportation, and internship and field-study expenses.

Through academic training, practice, and global networking opportunities, the Rotary Peace Centers program develops the capacity of peace and development professionals to become effective catalysts for peace.

Since the program began in 2002, the Rotary Peace Centers have trained more than 1,600 fellows who now work in over 140 countries. Many serve as leaders in governments; NGOs; education and research institutions; peacekeeping and law enforcement agencies; and international organizations such as the United Nations and the World Bank.

**Our fellowships:** The Rotary Peace Fellowship is designed for leaders with work experience in peace and development. Our fellows are committed to community and international service and the pursuit of peace. Each year, The Rotary Foundation awards up to 50 fellowships for master's degrees and up to 40 for certificate studies at premier universities.

- ✓ **Master's degree programs:** Accepted candidates study peace and development issues with research-informed teaching and a diverse student body. The programs last 15 to 24 months and include a two- to three-month field study, which participants design themselves.
- ✓ **Professional development certificate program:** During the one-year blended learning program, experienced peace and development professionals with diverse backgrounds gain practical skills to promote peace within their communities and regions. Fellows complete field studies and design and carry out a social change initiative. This program is intended for working professionals. Fellows earn a post-graduate diploma upon completion of the program."

**Premier Universities:** Our university partners abroad include:

- ✓ International Christian University, Tokyo, Japan
- ✓ University of Bradford, Bradford, England
- ✓ University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia
- ✓ Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden



## **Eligibility:**

- ✓ Be proficient in English.
- ✓ Have a bachelor's degree.
- ✓ Have a strong commitment to cross-cultural understanding and peace as shown through professional and academic achievements and personal or community service.
- ✓ Have the potential for leadership.
- ✓ Have at least three years of full-time relevant experience in peace or development work.
- ✓ Candidates must have a gap of at least three years between the completion of their most recent academic degree program (undergraduate or graduate degree) and their intended start date for the fellowship. Candidates currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program are not eligible to apply.
- ✓ We encourage people with disabilities and people from other diverse backgrounds to apply. Rotary provides reasonable accommodations as needed to people with disabilities.
- ✓ You are not eligible if you are an active Rotary member or an employee of a Rotary club, Rotary International, or other Rotary entity.
- ✓ Rotaract club members who are not also Rotary club members are eligible to apply.

## **How does the Rotary Peace Fellowship determine relevant experience?**

The Rotary Foundation welcomes eligible candidates from all backgrounds. We are looking to invest in early-career candidates for the master's degree program with at least three years of relevant experience, and mid-career candidates for the certificate program with at least five years of relevant experience.

Candidates for the Rotary Peace Fellowship must have relevant professional experience in peacebuilding and/or development prior to application, as well as potential for future growth and impact resulting from their participation in the fellowship. Relevant experience may include work in the planning, implementation, or evaluation of peacebuilding or development initiatives in the following categories:

1. Government, official diplomacy, or policymaking as part of a local, national, or international institution.
2. Non-governmental organizations that contribute to the analysis, prevention, management, resolution, or recovery from conflict, or that engage in work related to humanitarian assistance or development.
3. Economic development, or peacebuilding through the expansion of economic opportunity.
4. Private citizen diplomacy, such as leadership of cultural or vocational exchange programs, or leadership through volunteer organizations on causes related to peace and development.



5. Research and education initiatives through roles at think tanks, in academia, leading train-the-trainer programs, or as an educator where teaching material primarily covers global or cross-cultural studies, peace studies (including human rights, mediation, negotiation, or dialogue), or conflict analysis/resolution.
6. Advocacy and activism on behalf of causes related to peace and development, including legal professionals specializing in related areas such as human rights or the representation of vulnerable individuals or groups.
7. Leadership in a religious congregation or organization emphasizing pacifism, sanctuary, nonviolence, or peacebuilding through interfaith dialogue and tolerance.
8. Media and the arts, in roles that contribute to peace through the research and spread of reliable information, encouragement of positive social change, and shaping public opinion towards peaceful outcomes.
9. Law enforcement or military positions related to peacekeeping, building community partnerships, and improving community interactions.
10. Public health roles related to community development that prevent the spread of disease and improve health outcomes.

Peacebuilding is an evolving field; a candidate with innovative or context specific experience that does not relate to a category listed above may include it in their application, and Rotary Peace Centers staff will evaluate its relevance to the fellowship's goals on a case-by-case basis.

**Additional Information:** There is a lot of information and resources on Rotary International's website. <https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships>

More details on Master's Degree Programs:

<https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships-masters-degree-programs>

**Contact Us:** Please email us as soon as possible, if you are interested in applying. We will answer your questions and assist you throughout the process. Our email address is [cantongarotary@gmail.com](mailto:cantongarotary@gmail.com)

Thank you!

The Rotary Club of Canton