

# MA in Peace & Conflict Studies

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# MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR



Dear Students,

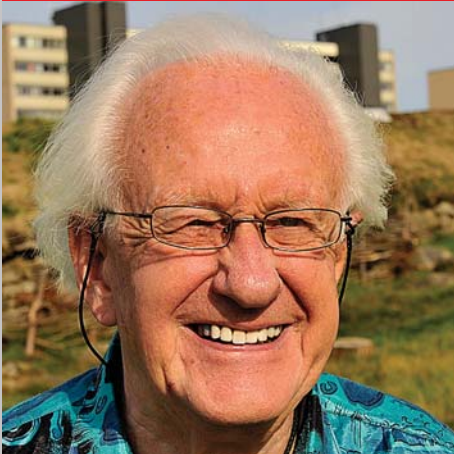
As the Rector, I am pleased to personally invite you to our University because I have no doubt that you will meet all your needs at Hacettepe University. We will provide you with the education, social and cultural activities, sports facilities, the necessary infrastructure for research and innovation, and administrative support of highest quality. Moreover, you will feel like you are at home.

You will notice that the mission and vision of Hacettepe University addresses universal values, international and contemporary educational standards crucial to succeed in a competitive world. Due to the significant expertise we have in science, research and art you will be ready to start a very successful career and build your future with confidence when you graduate from Hacettepe University with all your gains.

We are looking forward to seeing you at Hacettepe University.

**Prof. Dr. A. Murat TUNCER**  
**Rector**

The “Father of Peace Studies,”  
Prof. Dr. Johan Galtung



“There are many graduate degree programmes in peace and conflict studies, but few truly prepare you to work in the field and make a difference. Hacettepe’s international MA in Peace and Conflict Studies is different. It brings together an exceptional group of students from different countries, cultures and backgrounds to learn together in a truly international setting. The faculty is also impressive.”

Kai Brand-Jacobsen  
(Director, Department of  
Peace Operations - PATRIR)

“I have had the honor to be a professor in the Hacettepe Peace & Conflict Studies program, and can testify to the high quality of the participants, of the program in general, and the staff. The basic formula of working with one resource person for a week rather than changing every hour facilitates a much deeper contact between the professors and participants.”

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Global systems are increasingly complex, and the concepts of conflict and cooperation (their foundations, assumptions, and references) have changed dramatically. **Peace and conflict studies have a leading role to play in developing new global strategies for understanding and mitigating the root causes of violence** as they play out in both micro and macro conflicts.

The Master's program is focused on teaching peace processes that apply and promote universal ethics to Turkey and the global community through an integrative analysis of the psychosocial, political, moral, and spiritual realities of our lives. **Students will develop the knowledge and skills necessary to effectively analyze and evaluate conflict, so that they may offer sustainable and creative solutions to transform conflict and build peace.**

The MA in Peace and Conflict Studies makes it possible for graduates to work in all areas where conflict management, resolution and the promotion of peace is required: **international and national politics, public administration, civil society, social work, media, foundations, IGOs, NGOs, consultancies, and academia** are among the many career choices available to you as a peace scholar.



# MA in Peace & Conflict Studies





After more than 40 years of conflict work on all continents, it is warming my heart to see the establishment of an MA program for Peace Studies at Hacettepe University. The program understands the importance of lifting up the role of civil society actors in modern conflicts. In most democratic developments around the world, well-organized masses of people have challenged authoritarian power structures and paved the way for a more humane society. The students studying peace and conflict at Hacettepe are presented with the most progressive research results and are encouraged to write their thesis on a relevant topic of their choice. The wide range of wise and skilled teachers here meets bright and clever students from all over the world.

**Turkey is a unique and important country in many respects. Geographically placed in one of the most interesting regions of the world, a fascinating history, member of NATO, a secular state dominated by modern Islam, and playing an important role in many of the conflicts in the region it is impossible to imagine a better place to study peace and conflicts.**

I wish I had such an opportunity when I was in my twenties. Now, I am proud to be a teacher and to have the privilege to work with so many excellent students!

"I had the rare privilege of teaching in this program during one intensive week in 2012. The students are among the most serious and diverse I have ever encountered. We did a three hour session in the morning and another three hour session in the afternoon. Not one student missed, or was even late, for a single class. The classes were always lively: students never seemed bored, and always had insightful things to say. Even now, many months later, I can see each and every student in my mind's eye, and remember something he or she said in class. In a word, it was teacher's paradise. I couldn't recommend the program more."

"This is an exciting and innovative Peace Studies programme. The structure of the programme allows for intensive investigation of specific topics relevant to Peace Studies. The students and staff are fully engaged in a critical and questioning approach to current debates and issues in international affairs that involves both theory and its practical application."



Dr. Norman Finkelstein



Dr. Iain Attack

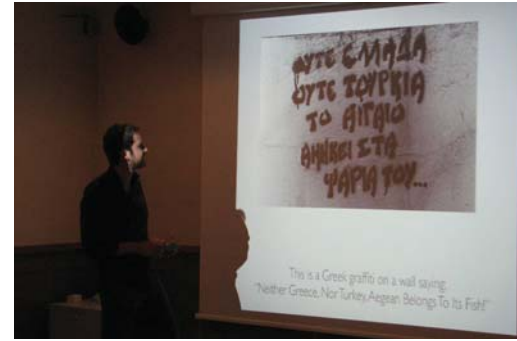
# ACADEMIC

The Master of Arts in Peace and Conflict Studies program at Hacettepe University is a two-year program founded on the principle of developing cultures of peace and peace perspectives.

Your first year will be spent in Istanbul, where you will study with internationally renowned professors with invaluable knowledge and expertise in the field. Students will develop the knowledge and practical skills necessary to effectively analyze and evaluate the theories and practices of peacebuilding, while gaining an in-depth understanding of violent, destructive conflicts in the world. Your time in Istanbul will provide you with the opportunity to visit various official places like ministries, government offices, NGOs, and think tanks, while having the opportunity to get an intimate perspective on the historic and nonviolent social change movement that is currently taking place.



# PROGRAM



After completion of your coursework, you will depart and spend the second year writing your MA thesis and preparing for its defense under the guidance of your thesis advisor. All course and thesis work will be taught and supervised by a group of highly credentialed international peace experts who bring years of dedication and expertise to trans-disciplinary processes of nonviolence and social transformation.

**A certificate in Peace & Conflict Studies is also obtainable by completing 18 course credits and submission of requisite papers. Students of the certificate program may enter the program at the start of any semester.**

For the course list and professors from 2012, **visit the website.**

# COURSES

PCS 601	Introduction to Peace and Conflict Studies
PCS 602	Critical Thinking and Writing
PCS 603	Research Methodology in Peace and Conflict Studies
PCS 604	Violence and Terrorism
PCS 605	Nonviolence and Civil Society
PCS 606	Political Economy of Conflicts
PCS 607	International Law and Human Rights
PCS 608	Peace Education
PCS 609	Peace and Literature
PCS 610	Peace, Conflict and Media
PCS 611	Leadership for Peace
PCS 612	Peace and Conflict Theories

PCS 613	Conflict Transformation Approaches to Peacebuilding
PCS 614	Applied Conflict Analysis
PCS 616	Peace, Business and Sustainable Development
PCS 617	Democracy and Global Governance
PCS 618	Ethics in Peace and Conflict Studies
PCS 619	Peace Psychology
PCS 620	Peace and Gender Studies
PCS 621	Spirituality and Peace
PCS 622	Integral Studies
PCS 623	Designing Peace Initiatives
PCS 624	Comparative Identity-Based Conflicts
PCS 625	Seminar

The program also offers professional trainings to develop students' practical skills. On completion students are issued a Certificate of Participation.

#### **Some trainings include:**

- Nonviolent Communication
- Negotiations
- Others upon request



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# ISTANBUL

## **A chance not to be missed**

Bridging Asia and Europe, Istanbul symbolizes the goals of peacebuilding with a fascinating history of dialogue between cultures, religions, and people. Charming and cosmopolitan, this metropolis of 12 million attracts visitors from around the world to enjoy its rich cultural history and beauty.

As a secular democracy, Turkey is in a unique position to influence geopolitical realities and to act as a stabilizing, mediating force in the region. As the first MA in Peace and Conflict Studies program in the Middle East, students will have a privileged opportunity to be at the forefront of conflict transformation in a quickly evolving region.

# SOCIAL MOVEMENT IN TURKEY

The current social movement sweeping across Turkey which sparked from a protest in Istanbul's Gezi Park is a demonstration of the ongoing civil exchange amongst all facets of society and is a ground-breaking attempt to strike a balance in the nation's interpretation of human rights, freedom of speech, democracy, the environment, social justice, and many other values.

As one expression in a string of social movements emerging around the globe (the Arab Spring, the Indignados, Occupy Wallstreet), Hacettepe students will have the unique opportunity to study peace and conflict in the midst of this historic movement first-hand -- **A chance not to be missed.**



# STUDENT LIFE



Students' motivations to build a global society of peace and justice are supported and nurtured through an immersion in a culture of peace with peers and faculty from around the world.

An international group of students and faculty will live communally, and concepts and theories learned in the classroom will be actualized in the multicultural living environment. Your motivation to promote peace and create a global society of peace and justice is developed through an immersion in this culture of peacemakers. The professors visiting the program are among the world's best known peace practitioners. They include Johan Galtung, Jorgen Johansen, Norman Finkelstein, and Hossain Danesh, among many others who will inform and inspire your efforts with years of collective expertise and dedication.



# WHAT WILL IT COST?

## MA Program Fees and Living Expenses

The full cost of the program is 11,500 EURO

Cost Breakdown: 6,500 EURO for Instructional Fees.

5,000 EURO for Lodging and Partial Board

Travel to İstanbul and additional monthly living expenses are the student's responsibility.

A non-refundable deposit of 1.000 EURO is due upon your acceptance into the programme, and secures your place. The balance of program fees are due upon your arrival in Turkey.

## Certificate Program Fees

The full cost of the certificate program is 5,750 EURO.

Cost Breakdown: 3,250 EURO for Instructional Fees.

2,500 EURO for Lodging and Partial Board.

## Scholarships and Financial Aid Opportunities

A limited number of scholarships are available. Please contact [peace@hacettepe.edu.tr](mailto:peace@hacettepe.edu.tr) for further information.

# REQUIREMENTS AND HOW TO APPLY

**The deadline for application to the Fall 2013 Semester is September 01, 2013.**

Applicants must hold a 4-year bachelors degree from an accredited institution and have fluency in English and provide proof of it with TOEFL-Ibt 70 or IELTS (AC) 6 (excluding native English speakers). **In order to apply, students must send a copy of their transcript, 4-year bachelors degree diploma, a detailed CV, and proof of English fluency along with a completed application form.** If necessary, we will conduct online interviews with applicants.

**Please click here to apply online or send the required materials to the following email address: [peace@hacettepe.edu.tr](mailto:peace@hacettepe.edu.tr).**

*For Turkish applicants for proof of fluency in English, 75 from YDS or its equivalent in TOEFL-Ibt (70) or IELTS (6) is required. They are also required to obtain 55 from ALES.*



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