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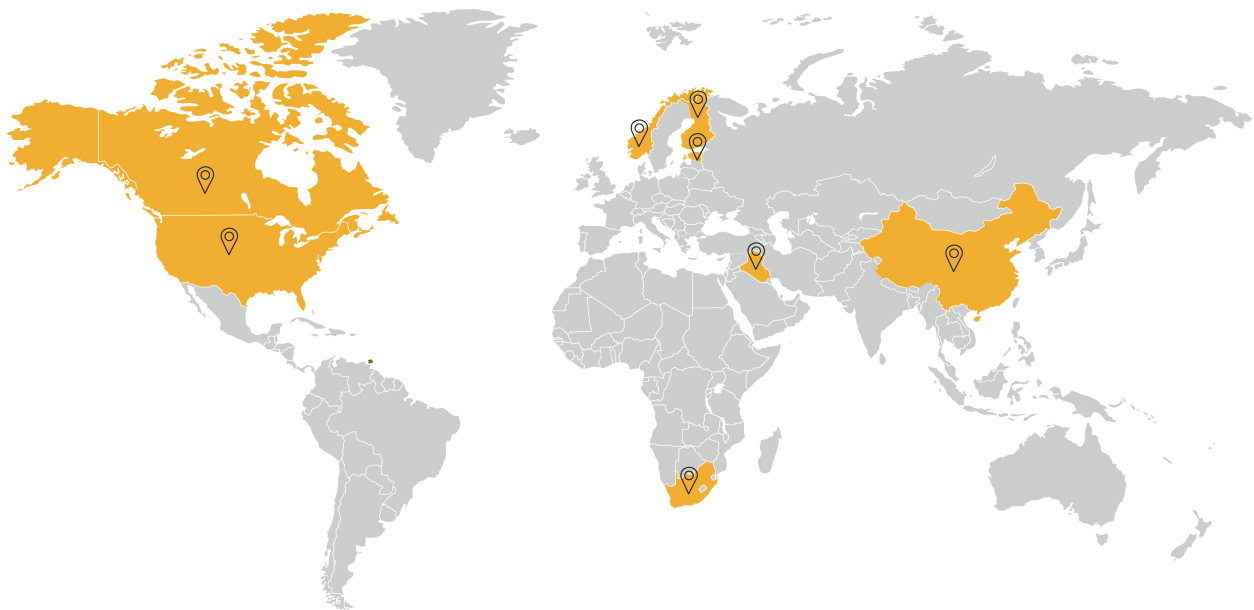
IMPACT OF YOUR PHILANTHROPY

Through the creation five years ago of the Rotary Peace Scholarships, you have loyally invested in Waterloo students, paving the way for their success. To date, 16 students have benefitted from the Rotary Peace Scholarships.

Thank you for investing in students who have great potential, a capacity for hard work, and just need some help and encouragement to achieve their goals and to become future leaders.

We are grateful that you had the foresight to establish this award, and for continuing to strengthen education in Global Governance and Peace and Conflict Studies at Waterloo. Your commitment to our students, exemplifies how an education in the arts equips graduates with the necessary tools to contribute successfully to solutions to global governance issues affecting our region, nation, and beyond.

Rotary Peace Scholarships recipients' countries of travel:



📍 U.S.A
📍 Canada
📍 Iraq

📍 Finland
📍 Estonia
📍 Norway

📍 China
📍 South Africa

ROTARY PEACE SCHOLARSHIPS

You have been a loyal donor to the University of Waterloo and a model leader in this community. Exemplifying exceptional student support, you have made a significant impact on our students and encouraged them to work hard and dream of great futures.

Your generous support eases our students' financial burdens and enables them to focus entirely on their educational goals. As a result, they are better able to develop and use leadership skills that enable them to pursue and discover peaceful solutions to global governance issues. Further, they are afforded the opportunity to make positive contributions to society. Thank you for your commitment to our students and for your belief in their potential.



Terms of Reference

A scholarship will be awarded to a full-time graduate student entering the first year of the Master's of Global Governance program in the Faculty of Arts at the University of Waterloo on the basis of academic excellence. The recipient must be conducting research that focuses broadly on questions of peace and they must have a demonstrated record of service to the cause of peace. Applicants will be selected by the Program Directorship following consultation with the admissions committee. This fund is made possible by the donation from the KW Cluster of Rotary Clubs.

ROTARY PEACE SCHOLARSHIPS

LIFETIME RECIPIENTS: 2013 – PRESENT

Recipient	Program	Term of award
*Justin Anstett	Global Governance	2013-2015
Jaclynn Chiodini	Global Governance	2014-2015
Lea Movelle	Global Governance	2014-2016
*Jinelle Piereder	Global Governance	2015-2016
*Tatiana Wugalter	Global Governance	2015-2017
*Michael Fleet	Global Governance	2016-2017
*Sebastian Murdoch-Gibson	Global Governance	2016-2017
*Ruxandra Badea	Global Governance	2017-2018

*Student profile is included in this report.

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Justin Anstett

Masters of Global Governance
Past Recipient

A Word of Thanks...

I am thankful for the chance to reflect on this scholarship and grateful for the opportunities I received to advance my thinking on complex issues in national and international peace and conflict. This scholarship allowed me to focus on my studies while at the Balsillie School where I researched the rapidly evolving cyber arms race and developments in national approaches to cyber security strategies. Within a year of completing my Master's degree, I was working in the federal government on the very same issues. Working at the Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat as an analyst in cyber security means that I am regularly engaging in the current trends, affairs and challenges in cyber security for the federal government.

Not only did this scholarship provide me the opportunity to focus my attention on academic and professional development, but it gave me the confidence to pursue a challenging field where all the issues are new and answers are sparse. As I have said before, this scholarship is validation that the KW Cluster of Rotary Clubs wholeheartedly supports the development of thought leaders and the pursuit of peace.

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Jinelle Piereder
Masters of Global Governance
Past Recipient

A Word of Thanks...

During my Master of Arts in Global Governance at the Balsillie School of International Affairs (BSIA), I was able to use my Rotary Peace Scholarship to support a three-month volunteer internship with CIVICUS in Johannesburg, South Africa. CIVICUS is a global network of civil society organizations that works to facilitate citizen action by strengthening freedom of expression, association and assembly around the world. While Canada and its neighbours certainly face challenges of restricted public space, we come nowhere near the difficulties faced by so many countries. My experiences during this internship made me grateful, but also wary—to create positive, full-spectrum peace, civic space must be strengthened not chipped away.

Now, in my doctoral work, I study how diverse worldviews and belief systems interact with global governance processes and negotiations. Our ability to deal with the vast array of challenges and conflicts we face—from weapons proliferation to food insecurity and climate change—will depend on our understanding of how ideas and beliefs shape political action and decision-making. If we are to work for meaningful positive peace, we need to identify creative pathways for inclusion, compromise, and collective action. I thank the Rotary Club for supporting me and other students in our efforts to imagine and build a more peaceful world, and for your commitment to peace in our community and abroad.

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Tatiana Wugalter
Masters of Global Governance
Past Recipient

A Word of Thanks...

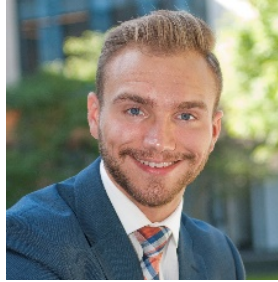
I have long held a desire to dig deeper into issues related to peace and social justice. I've always wanted to understand the complexities behind these issues; why do they occur and what role can I play in mitigating them? Receiving the Rotary Peace Scholarship enabled me to dig deeper and ask harder questions. At the Balsillie School, I was surrounded by brilliant peers whose diversity of perspectives and experiences helped to shape my critical understandings. In focusing my research on orphan hood and child protection, I found a new passion for childhood studies and hope to pursue a PhD in this area.

The scholarship also supported my professional growth during my internship with Amnesty International's Southern Africa Regional Office in Johannesburg, South Africa. Here I was able to work on several research projects and expand my knowledge on human rights issues in Southern Africa. Most meaningful during my time in Johannesburg was developing a greater understanding of the multilayered and ongoing repercussions of colonialism and apartheid. There are many parallels between Canadian and South African colonial history and present, both in terms of systemic violence and acts of resistance, and I returned to Canada reinvigorated to challenge Canadian exceptionalism and engage in anti-racist and anti-colonial work.

I now work for Kennedy House Youth Services and Centennial College's Centre for Global Citizenship Education and Inclusion. In my position as Grant Writer at Kennedy House, I secure funds for our emergency youth shelter and after school program. Not only has this position deepened my understanding of economic inequality and its rippling impacts in Toronto, it has provided me with the opportunity to support young people as they transition from homelessness to improved wellbeing and stable, healthy futures. At Centennial College, I engage in a variety of research projects on global citizenship, equity and inclusion and work with my colleagues to embed social justice principles across the College. I also engage in anti-racist community organizing with Showing Up For Racial Justice Toronto, specifically helping to lead a Childminding Collective which makes activism more accessible for parents and caregivers.

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Michael Fleet

Masters of Global Governance
Past Recipient

A Word of Thanks...

Thanks to the Rotary Peace Scholarship, I have been able to complete my studies with the Balsillie School of International Affairs without financial worry and focus my time into furthering my knowledge of Iraqi politics and Middle East Affairs. As such, I am now working with the Institute on Governance on their Iraq Team where I travel to Iraq regularly to work as a Senior Researcher on the Fiscal Federalism and Decentralization project, funded by Global Affairs Canada. This work assists in the broader objectives of peace by helping to build the capacity of the federal and provincial governments to better deliver citizen services, an essential objective in establishing trust and legitimacy of government with the citizens of Iraq.

A common refrain heard by those who study conflict and peace is that good governance is essential for peace to endure in post-conflict states; our work hopes to actualize that objective. As I write this, I am also preparing to go to Rome to present for the second time at the Academic Council of the United Nations Annual Meeting on my team's work in Iraq, and then head to Baghdad for interviews to begin a needs assessment and gaps analysis at the provincial level in Diwaniyah and Missan.

Thank you for supplying me with the ability to better focus on my studies which has thus allowed me to better do my job!

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Sebastien Murdoch-Gibson
Masters of Global Governance
Past Recipient

A Word of Thanks...

The Rotary Peace Scholarship was crucial to my success in the Master of Arts in Global Governance. While pursuing the MA, my wife and I welcomed our first child to our family. The Rotary Peace Scholarship provided invaluable financial support for our family in its early stages and allowed me to complete my studies on time. I sincerely appreciate the generosity of the Rotary Club, I believe it was one of the factors that made the difference between success and failure in my studies.

As an MA Candidate, my research explored the complex relationship between military power and the distribution of humanitarian aid in the Syrian Civil War. I subsequently worked at Project Ploughshares as a 'Peace and Human Security Intern' where I supported them in producing publications on contemporary peace and conflict issues. I now work in the Vancouver office of the Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada where I produce research of relevance to Canada's relationship with countries in the Asia Pacific. I was recently able to travel to Finland, Estonia, Norway, and China where I conducted interviews with senior officials on the strategic implications of China's so-called 'One Belt, One Road' Initiative for Arctic Countries. My wife and daughter were able to join me for the China-leg of the research tour so that we could share our first opportunity to see this fascinating country up close!

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Ruxandra Badea
Masters of Global Governance
2017-18 Recipient

A Word of Thanks...

As the 2017-2018 recipient of the Rotary Peace Scholarship at the University of Waterloo, I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the experiences this scholarship created for me.

From conducting research into ethical artificial intelligence with my supervisor, to completing an internship studying the dual-use nature of artificial intelligence and its military applications, the opportunities to succeed have been countless. The core of my research relates to achieving peace through technology and advancing society together with innovation which promotes peace.

In addition to these opportunities, I have had the pleasure of connecting with many Rotarians in the region. I have been asked to present my research at the 2018 President's meeting and at a Rotary Waterloo meeting. In June 2018, the connections I formed at the University of Waterloo developed into my first discussion serving as a panelist. I was one of three panelists at a UW Alumni event in San Francisco, speaking about the current governance situation regarding AI, and developing ethical practice-based solutions.

The Rotary Peace Scholarship has given me the opportunity to study at this inspiring institution and conduct research within a cohort of truly passionate students and faculty.

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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN OF ARTS:



“Perhaps at no time during my life have we needed more investment in peace. The repeated outbreak of wars and near-wars within and between communities has caused tremendous suffering which are felt globally as well as locally, and I am so grateful to the KW Cluster of Rotary Clubs for their generosity and leadership in making it possible for our students to make a real difference.”

Dr. Douglas Peers, Dean, Faculty of Arts

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MASTER OF PEACE AND CONFLICT STUDIES – Conrad Grebel University College

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LIFETIME RECIPIENTS: 2013 – PRESENT

RECIPIENT	PROGRAM	TERM OF AWARD
*Shinjita Alam	Master of Peace and Conflict Studies	2013-14
*Chinenye Chukwuma-Nwuba	Master of Peace and Conflict Studies	2014-15
*Issa Ebombolo	Master of Peace and Conflict Studies	2015-16
*Muhammad Amin Khan	Master of Peace and Conflict Studies	2016-17
*Catherine Garacho	Master of Peace and Conflict Studies	2017-18

*Student profile is included in this report.

Rotary Scholarship Recipients in Conflict Management Certificate Program

Conrad Grebel University College

LIFETIME RECIPIENTS: 2013 – PRESENT

RECIPIENT	PROGRAM
David Alton	Conflict Management Certificate Program
Yelena Gyulkhandanyan	Conflict Management Certificate Program/ Master of Peace and Conflict Studies degree
Jessie Castello	Conflict Management Certificate Program

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Shinjita Alam

Masters of Peace and Conflict Studies – Conrad Grebel University
College
Past Recipient

Student Mini-Bio...

Shinjita Alam was born and raised in a fundamentalist Muslim family in Bangladesh, and denied an arranged marriage at the age of sixteen in order to pursue her education past high school. In 1992, she graduated from the University of Dhaka with a Masters degree in Social Welfare, in a class of few female students. Her own childhood experiences with gender-based discrimination led her to work with Families for Children, a non-profit, non-sectarian agency helping women and children in India and Bangladesh.

In July 1993, Shinjita met members of Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) and began working with their programs in women's income generation. She noticed immediately that community relationships were often strained because of constant quarrelling between individuals: mothers and their children, husbands and wives, and women among each other. To increase the women's income but to do so without peace was not helpful, she observed.

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Chinenye Chukwuma-Nwuba

Masters of Peace and Conflict Studies – Conrad Grebel University
College
Past Recipient

Student Mini-Bio...

Chinenye Chukwuma-Nwuba completed her undergraduate degree in politics and international relations in Nigeria and is one of several international students currently enrolled in the Masters of Peace and Conflict Studies (MPACS) program at Conrad Grebel University College at the University of Waterloo.

Growing up in Nigeria during times of relative peace and then violence, Chinenye brings her own perspective and experience to the program to gain a deeper understanding of what conflict is and how it develops. “For a while everything was okay, and then sometime in 2000 our lives turned upside down and there were religious riots. We lost a couple of friends, relatives and lost some of our belongings. When you witness this sort of thing, it stays with you... I think that’s what pushed me to want to understand people more and want to understand the dynamics of conflict: how people change, why people change.”

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Issa Ebombolo

Masters of Peace and Conflict Studies – Conrad Grebel University
College
Past Recipient

Student Mini-Bio...

Issa Ebombolo joined the MPACS program in 2014 and has been a remarkable addition to the program. Congolese by nationality, Issa has lived in Zambia for a period of 19 years. While in Zambia, Issa founded the Mennonite Central Committee's organization Peace Clubs in Zambia in 2006. The knowledge and skills he was able to gather through his experiences growing up in the Congo and working in Zambia allowed him to make important contributions to his classes. Classmates quickly recognized Issa through this charismatic nature and valuable contributions to class discussions.

Grateful for his time in the MPACS program, Issa credits his success to many aspects of the MPACS program. He mentions four courses specifically: Conflict Analysis, The Practice of Peace, Conflict Transformation, and Building Civil Society. Together, he says these courses taught him how to analyze a conflict before taking action, how to reflect and learn how to create a plan in coordination with the analysis, and exactly what is needed in order bring peace. Finally, the course on building civil society taught him how to work with civil society organizations and how to build a working relationship with the NGOs causing the conflict within MCC.

After graduation, Issa will join MCC as the National Peace Coordinator in Zambia, Peace Resource Person in Southern Africa, and Chair of Africa Mennonite Peace Network. Among many of the projects these roles entail, creating a program and team of people to help deal with the conflicts between MCC-funded NGOs in Southern Africa. Since there is a high demand for MCC's funding, limited resources, and corruption within the funding, Issa will be responsible for facilitating a network between the peace officers in every MCC office in Africa and mediating conflicts between host families and foreign workers.

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Muhammad Amin Khan

Masters of Peace and Conflict Studies – Conrad Grebel University
College
Past Recipient

Student Mini-Bio...

Muhammad Amin Khan began his Master of Peace and Conflict Studies degree at the University of Waterloo in January 2016, where he has continued to pursue his interests in cross culture understanding. He is also keenly interested in advocating for democratic values globally, as well as conflict analysis, and conflict resolution.

Previously, Amin completed his bachelor's degree in International Relations and Politics from International Islamic University, Islamabad, Pakistan. In 2005, Amin worked as a volunteer after the earthquake in Pakistan and again in 2010 during the floods in Pakistan.

Upon completion of his Master of Peace and Conflict Studies degree Amin aspires to work with a United Nations Organization.

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Conrad Grebel University College



Catherine Garacho

Masters of Peace and Conflict Studies – Conrad Grebel University College
2017-18 Recipient

Student Mini-Bio...

Catherine Garacho completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science with Minor in Law and Society from Concordia University. She is the 2017-18 recipient of the Rotary MPACS Scholarship.

Originally from Zimbabwe, Catherine moved to the United States and then to Montreal to pursue further education. Catherine has since moved to the Waterloo Region to pursue a Master of Peace and Conflict Studies (MPACS) degree in hopes of contributing to peace with particular interest in women's rights and youth education.

"I come from a continent ridden in conflict," explained Catherine. "The lexicon of conflict is written in our collective consciousness. I have no doubt that the MPACS program will provide me with the knowledge and skills that I seek in my quest to contribute to resolving conflicts in the continent where I hail from."

After completing her MPACS degree, Catherine has dreams to continue her education in Law school in hopes of becoming a human rights lawyer.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF CONRAD GREBEL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE:



“We’re thrilled to have passionate international students come to Grebel’s Master of PACS program in partnership with Rotary.

Having the ability to offer these students support from the Rotary Peace Scholarship is vital to their success, and it is a clear way to impact communities all over the globe as they return with peace-building knowledge and experience.”

Mr. Marcus Shantz, President, Conrad Grebel University

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APPENDIX A

Summary of Your Investment to the Rotary Peace Scholarships by Year

2013 - PRESENT

YEAR	DESIGNATION	FORM	AMOUNT (\$)
2013	Rotary Peace Scholarships	Cash	10,000.00
2014	Rotary Peace Scholarships	Cash	8,000.00
2015	Rotary Peace Scholarships	Cash	20,012.50
2016	Rotary Peace Scholarships	Cash	20,470.00
2017	Rotary Peace Scholarships	Cash	19,821.00
2018	Rotary Peace Scholarships	Cash	20,750.00
Total Received:			\$99,053.75



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by the Office of Advancement.

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