

SPIR Global Campus Program on Peace and Conflict Studies



The School of Politics and International Relations runs a Global Campus Program on Peace and Conflict Studies in collaboration with Tokyo University of Foreign Studies (TUFS), Japan. Launched in April 2014, the program involves semester-wise holding of lectures by eminent international faculty members of several foreign universities in the interactive sessions with students and scholars on contemporary issues of peace and conflict studies.

The program is a pioneering initiative of TUFS, which has also facilitated the establishment of video conferencing setup at SPIR Seminar Hall. Each session is simultaneously broadcast online for the students and scholars of all the participating universities. Each lecture is followed by Q&A session, in which students from participating universities engage in critical cross-cultural dialogue on the respective subject.

As part of this initiative, two parallel programs are organized at SPIR, one in each semester. These include:

- A Basic Course on Peace and Conflict Studies for the students enrolled in under-graduate and Masters programs;
- An Advanced Course on Peace and Conflict Studies for the scholars of MPhil and PhD programs.

Participation in the Global Campus Program provides SPIR students and scholars an opportunity to interact and share their views with their counterparts from other universities. It also enables them to learn about different research and teaching methods as well as varied perspectives on conflict analysis and resolution.

Participating Universities

- Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad, Pakistan
- Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Japan
- University of Mumbai, India
- Islamic University of Science and Technology, Indian-administered Kashmir
- University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, Pakistan
- Gadjah Mada University, Indonesia,
- University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka,
- Pannasastra University, Cambodia,
- Kabul University, Afghanistan

Vision

To strive towards a culture of peace with justice in society by developing a cross-cultural understanding aimed at bridging the existing divides through dialogue and education.

Mission

- To bring together students and faculty of academic institutions around the globe through videoconferencing.
- To equip students with skills and competence of analyzing and applying theories of PCS in the context of international diversity
- To utilize Track-II diplomacy as a means to achieve conflict resolution.
- To provide a safe space and opportunity for students to express ideas and opinions on controversial and crucial issues facing the world.
- To create a culture of understanding and mutual respect by challenging negative stereotypes.

See further details of the Global Campus Program on Peace and Conflict Studies at the official website of [Tokyo University of Foreign Studies](#).