

Peace and Conflict Studies

School of Political
Science and
International Studies

University of
Queensland

Program information session for
postgraduate students
Semester 2, 2025

Programme Convenor: Dr DB Subedi

Acknowledgment of **Country**

The University of Queensland (UQ) acknowledges the Traditional Owners and their custodianship of the lands on which we meet.

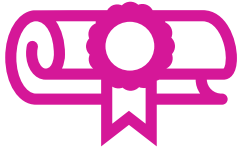
We pay our respects to their Ancestors and their descendants, who continue cultural and spiritual connections to Country.

We recognise their valuable contributions to Australian and global society.





Your Degree



Which Masters degree
are you doing?



How to choose
courses?



What else to bear in
mind?

Different PACS Degrees

- ▶ 32 Units – 2 Years
- ▶ 24 units – 1.5 Years
- ▶ 16 units – 1 year
- ▶ 8 units – Graduate Certificate



#32 Units (2 years)- Sem 2 commencement

- ▶ 8 Units Foundational Courses
- ▶ 10 Units Core Courses
- ▶ 4-14 Flexible Core Courses
- ▶ 0-10 Elective Courses
- ▶ You are allowed course variations

#32 Units (2 years)- Sem 2 commencement

Year 1: 1 st Sem (Jul – Nov 2025)	Year 1: 2 nd Sem (Feb – Jun 2026)	Year 2: 3 rd Sem (July – Nov 2026)	Year 2: 4 th Sem (Feb – June 2027)
POLS7000: Writing Politics (4 units)	POLS7325: Security and Development (2 units)	POLS7505: Peacebuilding (2 units)	Option: Flex core** course or Elective
POLS7002: Foundations in Politics, Policy and IR (4 units)	POLS7502: Conflict Resolution	POLS7514: Politics & Power of Nonviolence (2 units)	Option: Flex core course or elective
	POLS7523: Gender, Peace and Security in Global and Local Perspectives	Option: Flex core course (2 units)*	Option: Flex core course or elective
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*You may want to think about research methods here

** At this point you can tailor across a research route or electives

#24 Units

► **10 units Core Courses, 4-14 Flexible Core Courses and 0-10 elective courses**

► * You may want to think about research methods here

► ** At this point you can tailor across a research route or electives (you are allowed variations)

► MPaCS Foundational Courses – POLS7000 and POLS7002 cannot be credited towards MPaCS 1.5 year duration Elective Courses requirements.

YEAR 1 / SEMESTER 1 (JULY – NOV 2025)	YEAR 1 / SEMESTER 2 (FEB-JUN 2026)	YEAR 2 / SEMESTER 3 (JULY – NOV 2026)
POLS7505: Peacebuilding (2 units)	POLS7325: Security and Development (2 units)	Flexible/Elective course choice**
POLS7514: The Politics and Power of Nonviolence (2 units)	POLS7502: Conflict Resolution (2 units)	Flexible/Elective course choice**
Flex Core Course	POLS7523: Gender, Peace and Security in Global and Local Perspective (2 units)	Flexible/Elective course choice**
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#16 Units

- ▶ Must complete only 8 units of core courses
- ▶ 8 units of Flexible core courses
- ▶ 16 units of prior learning
- ▶ * At this point you can tailor across a research route or electives (you are allowed variations)

Semester 1

**POLS7505: Peacebuilding
(2 units)**

4 units from core courses

POLS7325: Security and Development (2 units)

POLS7523: Gender, Peace and Security in Global and Local Perspective (2 units)

POLS7502: Conflict Resolution (2 units)

POLS7514: The Politics and Power of Nonviolence (2 units)

Flexible core course choice

Flexible core course choice

Flexible core course choice*

Flexible core course choice

#8 Units – Grad Certificate

Semester 1 7523:	Semester 2	Semester 3
Writing Politics	POLS7505: Peacebuilding	POLS7325: Security and Development
Foundations in Politics, Policy and IR	POLS7514: The Politics and Power of Nonviolence	POLS7502: Conflict Resolution
	Flexible/Elective course choice	POLS7523: Gender, Peace and Security in Global and Local Perspective
	Flexible/Elective course choice	

- 8 Units of Foundational Courses or
- 8 units of Flexible Core Courses or
- 4 units from Flexible Core Courses and 4 Units from Electives courses
- The key question is: are you intending to articulate into the masters?

Course variation

- ▶ Up to 2 variations in Masters program
- ▶ Courses outside of the approved program list requires a variation request form
- ▶ Unless extenuating circumstances* can be clearly demonstrated, variations to a major or program will not be approved for: Compulsory courses or Undertaking another course in lieu of a previously failed compulsory course.
- ▶ https://hass.uq.edu.au/files/81360/HASS%20Variation%20form%20with%20privacy%20statement_update%202022.pdf

UQ PROGRAM PLANNER

► The Program Planner is a tool that allows you to plan courses for your program and ensure that the plan meets the program's completion rules and chosen structure.

https://hass.uq.edu.au/files/117677/2025%20MPaCS_updatedApril2025.pdf

Important dates

July 28

First day of classes for Semester 2 2025

August 8

Last day to add a course or alternation of enrolment for Semester 2
2025

August 31

Due date for **Academic Integrity Modules** – Part A

August 31

“The Census Date”

Last date to **drop** Semester 2 2025 courses or cancel enrolment
without **academic** penalty

September 30

Last date to **drop** a course for Semester 2 2025 or cancel enrolment
without **financial liability and academic penalty**

October 31

Due date for **Academic Integrity Modules** – Part B

Semester check list

- ▶ Have you enrolled in the right course?
- ▶ Have you seen the course planner?
- ▶ Have you got access to the course Blackboard site?
- ▶ Have you completed the academic integrity modules (A and B)?

Our school staff



Get in touch



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here to help and support



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Important dates

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Thank you!

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