

Overview

Purpose:

The main purpose of establishing the new master's program, the School of International Peace Studies, at Soka University is to cultivate creative global citizens who will lead the international society experiencing unprecedented changes with the acceleration of globalization. The establishment of the new master's course constitutes a main part of Global Core Initiatives of Soka University's Top Global University program. The Top Global University Project was launched by the Japanese ministry of education (MEXT) in 2014, selecting 37 Japanese universities including Soka University to enhance the international compatibility and competitiveness of higher education in Japan.

Educational goals:

The School of International Peace Studies aims at raising professionally trained specialists who possess knowledge and skills necessary to design and initiate concrete and realistic policies or programs in various fields. For the realization of its educational goal, the school offers programs on International Relations, which primarily studies conflicts among nation states, and those on Peace Studies, which deals with various types of conflicts among state and non-state actors.

Prospective Careers:

Students completing the School of International Peace Studies are expected to become highly skilled professionals who contribute to building a peaceful and sustainable global community through their respective careers at business companies or government/nongovernment institutions. Students who come to wish to pursue more advanced studies in a specific field of International Relations or Peace Studies will be instructed to advance to a doctor's program of other graduate schools of Soka University or similar programs at other universities in and outside Japan.