

Now Accepting
Participants for
October 2016!



Peace Boat Global University

Special Programme

Tuesday 4 October–
Friday 21 October, 2016 [18 days]

*Programme starts in The Hague (The Netherlands) and
ends in New York (USA).

Peace Boat's Call For Future Global Leaders

Peace Boat is a Tokyo-based international NGO in Special Consultative Status with the United Nations that works to promote peace, disarmament, human rights and sustainable development. Global University is a peace education programme that takes place during Peace Boat's Global Voyages, offering a unique curriculum that combines exposure programmes (field visits) in ports with workshops and seminars onboard the ship. It nurtures future leaders who can affect change in the world, by equipping them with the knowledge, means and experiences necessary to actively engage in non-government organizations, international bodies and local communities.

Changing the Approach: Humanitarian Disarmament, International Law and the UN

Peace Boat's Global University will organise a two-week course from 4-21 October 2016 during our 92nd Global Voyage. This programme will bring together 30 students and young practitioners from across the world to learn about the humanitarian impact of nuclear and other weapons, analyse various disarmament initiatives, and exchange ideas and perspectives with international experts, educators, survivors and activists. The programme will conclude with a visit to the United Nations Headquarters in New York where participants will present the outcomes of the course.

A Humanitarian Approach to Disarmament

Traditionally, international security, disarmament and arms control discourses have been dominated by narrow concepts of national security, focusing only on strategic and military aspects. However the process to conclude the 1997 Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention paved the way for a new humanitarian approach to develop, placing the victims of weapons and wars in the centre of disarmament processes. Leveraging existing international laws and bringing the suffering and human rights of the victims to the fore opens up new political and juridical possibilities to achieve a more secure world. The success of humanitarian efforts is closely linked to the effectiveness of multilateral disarmament fora, and both would benefit from an understanding of the way human security and disarmament interact, particularly those insights gained from field-based perspectives.



Programme Overview

Theme

1

Understanding the Humanitarian Consequences of Weapons

Any humanitarian approaches to disarmament should begin with understanding the human suffering and humanitarian consequences, and how they are produced and sustained. Through personal interaction with *Hibakusha*, atomic-bomb survivor(s), who will be onboard to share their testimonies, and through witness and reflection on the suffering of other victims of chemical weapons and armed conflicts, students will explore questions such as: How do technologies harm people? How do societal structures stigmatise survivors' experiences? How have the human rights and human dignity of survivors been neglected?

Theme

2

Banning Weapons: Success Stories and Lessons Learned

Today, international law prohibits almost all Weapons of Mass Destruction except for nuclear weapons. In an appeal to international humanitarian law, civil society has played a tremendous role in mobilising public opinion and putting pressure on governments. Learning from successful disarmament campaigns, discussions in this unit will focus on: What prompts the shift from military and security discourses to humanitarian discourses? What effective advocacy activities can impact this process? How can such a process make a difference to states' interests and political resistance to the status quo?

Theme

3

Navigating International Law and the UN System

Existing international law and the current collective security system certainly entail some fundamental flaws. Military industries retain interests in armaments and corporations tend to avoid regulation, achieving enormous financial profits. Overcoming these obstacles and establishing working mechanisms are fundamental to making progress in humanitarian disarmament. Learning first-hand from a former senior UN disarmament official, students will consider questions such as: What are the gaps between existing international law and the reality on the ground? How can international mechanisms reverse the military and industrial drive for armaments?

Theme

4

Developing "Action for Humanitarian Disarmament"

Advocacy and education play a crucial part in promoting humanitarian disarmament. Humanitarian principles, justice and international law are only effective when their key concepts and values are understood, upheld and utilised by individuals within the society. As a final outcome of the programme, students will develop educational and/or campaigning material, which they will be able to bring home and use in their own community. How can you create effective ways to raise public awareness and deepen understanding on the danger of weapons and pathways to stop it? What are the roles of students, academia, media and the business community?

Navigators



Randy RYDELL
•Executive Advisor to Mayors for Peace

Senior Political Affairs Officer in the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs from 1998-2014. Served also as a non-proliferation adviser to US Senator John Glenn (1987-1998) and as a political analyst at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (1980-1986). He is also Principal Trumpet in the UN Symphony Orchestra.



Kathleen SULLIVAN
•Director of Hibakusha Stories

Program Director for Hibakusha Stories, an arts-based initiative that has brought atomic bomb survivors into the lives of some 30,000 New York City high school students. She has been engaged in the nuclear issue for nearly 30 years, and served as an education consultant to the UN Office for Disarmament Affairs.



MUSHAKOJI Kinhide
•Former Vice-Rector, United Nations University
•Vice-President, International Movement Against All Forms of Discrimination and Racism (IMADR)

Born in Brussels in 1929, he is a reputed Japanese authority on international affairs and a lifelong peace advocate. He has written extensively on peace and security, racism and discrimination, patriarchal democracy, trafficking of women and the sex industry, cultural development and international politics among others.

Coordinator



KAWASAKI Akira
•Executive Committee Member of Peace Boat

Lecturer at Keisen University and activist advocating for peace and disarmament. In 2009, he served as an NGO Advisor to the Co-Chairs of the International Commission on Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament (ICNND).

Peace Boat is an International Steering Group member organisation of ICAN.



Special Advisors



Jody WILLIAMS
•Nobel Peace Prize Laureate (1997)
•Chair of Nobel Women's Initiative

'Disarmament is not a utopian dream, but it will not happen unless we all work together to make it happen.'



Jayantha DHANAPALA
•Senior Special Advisor on Foreign Relations to President Maithripala Sirisena of Sri Lanka
•Former Under Secretary General of the United Nations



Rebecca JOHNSON
•Executive Director of Acronym Institute for Disarmament Diplomacy
•International Steering Group Member of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN)
•Vice President of UK Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament (CND)

Participant's Voice

Joseph Wah

2014 participant from Myanmar/Burma



'At Peace Boat, you are free—there is no international boundaries, there is nobody who limits your thoughts or censors what you say. You are free to form new imaginations and new thoughts that can really help your future work.'

EXPOSURE Programmes (field programmes)

The Hague [October 5-6]

International Humanitarian Law in Action

Students will visit several international institutions including the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, the implementing body of the Chemical Weapons Convention that was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2013, and the International Court of Justice. They will interact with experts from research and civil society institutions including PAX and learn about existing international laws and justice mechanisms.

Reykjavik [October 11-12]

Reykjavik Summit 30th Anniversary Lessons

The Reykjavik Summit meeting between Reagan and Gorbachev on October 11-12, 1986 is remembered as a near successful attempt of leaders of nuclear weapons states to agree on the complete elimination of nuclear weapons. Visiting on the summit's 30th anniversary, students will visit related sites such as Höfði House, and learn about disarmament efforts during the Cold War. Peace Boat will also host a symposium with local leaders in Iceland on banning nuclear weapons.



New York [October 20-21]

Action for Disarmament at the UN

At the UN Headquarters, students will present outcomes of their studies at a side event of the First Committee on Disarmament of the General Assembly. They will discuss with the UN Office for Disarmament Affairs about their work and key challenges, and meet with NGO representatives from Reaching Critical Will and other organisations to learn about the role of civil society in the disarmament process. Students will also consider the changing security landscape through a visit to the 9.11 Memorial.



*Separate charges will be incurred as follows: 7,500 yen for onboard tips and 5,400 yen for port charges. *The cost above does not include transportation (e.g., flights) to The Hague and from New York. *Participants are required to obtain visas needed to join the travel programme at their own cost and responsibility.

Programme Schedule

Date	Time	Schedule	Meals	Accommodation	
Oct 4[Tue]	PM	Meet in The Hague, the Netherlands	D	Hotel in The Hague	
Oct 5[Wed]	All Day	Exposure programme	B/L/D		
Oct 6[Thu]	AM	Exposure programme	B/L/D	Ocean Dream	
	PM	Exposure programme			
	Evening	Board the Ocean Dream at the port of Amsterdam			
Oct 7[Fri]~ Oct 10[Mon]	Night	Depart from Amsterdam	B/L/D		
		At Sea Onboard Seminars			
Oct 11[Tue]	AM	Arrive in Reykjavik (Iceland)	B/L/D		
	All Day	Exposure programme			
Oct 12[Wed]	All Day	Exposure programme	B/L/D		
Oct 13[Thu]	AM	Depart from Reykjavik (Iceland)	B/L/D		
Oct 14[Fri]~ Oct 19[Wed]		At Sea Onboard Seminars	B/L/D		
Oct 20[Thu]	Morning	Arrive in New York (USA)	B/L/D		
	AM	Disembark from the Ocean Dream			
	All Day	Exposure programme			
Oct 21[Fri]	AM	Exposure programme	B/L		
	PM	End of the programme in New York			

● Minimum Number of Participants: 5 ● Name of Ship: Ocean Dream ● Hotels: [The Hague] Court Garden Hotel, Ibis Den Haag City Centre ● Meals: 17 Breakfasts, 17 Lunches, 17 Dinners ● Tour Guides: Only onboard the ship. Local guides will accompany on land.

0:00~	4:00~	6:00~	8:00~	12:00~	18:00~	23:00~
Late Night	Early Morning	Morning	AM	PM	Night	Late Night

From Application to Participation

Submission of Application Documents

■ Eligibility

The selection committee will evaluate applications based on the following eligibility criteria.

- The applicant agrees with the project aims and be able to fully participate in the travel programme in its entirety.
- The applicant is between the age of 18 and 35 as of October 4, 2016.
- The applicant has an adequate command of the English language, sufficient to understand lectures and participate in discussions in English.
- The applicant has a strong interest in disarmament, international relations, and/or peace, humanitarian and development studies and has experience of engaging in research or initiatives linked to these themes.
- The applicant is confident in his/her ability to cooperate with other participants, regardless of their age and citizenship.
- The applicant is strongly motivated to further pursue related activities after participation in the travel programme.

■ How to Apply

Please send an email to the mail address below. Upon receipt of your email, the application form will be sent to you. Please fill in the required sections and return via email or fax by the deadline.

For Inquiries or Submission of Applications

Email: univ@peaceboat.gr.jp

Tel: +81-3-3363-8047 Fax: +81-3-3363-7562

■ Application Deadlines

Round 1 | 17:00 (Japan Standard Time) June 30, 2016 (Thu)

Round 2 | 17:00 (Japan Standard Time) July 31, 2016 (Sun)

*Selection will take place after each deadline. Applicants can expect to hear from the secretariat within two weeks after each deadline.

Selection Results

■ Selection

The selection committee will evaluate the applications based on the eligibility criteria above. Skype/phone interviews may be conducted. Applicants will be informed of the results individually by Peace Boat.

Official Application and Payment

Please submit the official application form made available from Japan Grace Co. Ltd. Payments should be made by credit card or bank transfer. Bank transfer fee should be borne by the participant.

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Summary of Terms and Conditions

NOTE: The following is a translation/summary of the original Japanese Terms and Conditions. If a conflict in meaning between this document and the original shall arise, the original shall prevail.

The following terms and conditions stipulate the business terms and the account of the transaction pursuant to Japanese travel agency law article 12, clause 4 and article 12, clause 5. The following represents part of the terms and conditions of the contractual writing of this engagement.

A) CONTRACTUAL ENGAGEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN A TRAVEL PROGRAMME ON SALE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC THROUGH PROMOTIONAL MEANS

The travel programme is coordinated by NGO Peace Boat, which is planned and conducted by Japan Grace Co, Ltd. (herein after referred to as the 'Company'). Those participating in this travel programme will be agreeing to a contractual engagement to participate in a travel programme on sale to the general public through promotional means (herein after referred to as the 'Travel Contract') with the Company.

B) APPLICATION FOR THE TRAVEL PROGRAMME

Official application forms made available from the Company must be filled in along with an initial application fee of 10% of the travel programme cost. Once the official application form, along with this fee, has been received and acknowledged by the Company, the application procedure will be considered legitimate.

C) ITEMS INCLUDED IN THE TRAVEL PROGRAMME COST

- Costs of transportation by ship, railway or bus as indicated in the final travel itinerary. Unless otherwise indicated, local trains will be used.
- Accommodation onboard as indicated in the final travel itinerary. *Cabin type: Friendly Budget (4-person ensuite room without window).
- Hotel costs as indicated in the final travel itinerary. Unless specified otherwise, hotel accommodation is for two people in a two-person room.
- Meals as indicated in the final travel itinerary.
- Onboard seminars and "exposure" fees as stated in the final travel itinerary.
- Hand luggage transportation fees during the travel programme.
- Costs for tour escorts, company staff and Peace Boat staff whom will accompany participants during the voyage.

D) ITEMS NOT INCLUDED IN THE TRAVEL PROGRAMME COST

Any items which are not mentioned in Section C are not included in the travel programme cost. Please find below a list of examples of costs which are not covered by the travel programme cost:

- Any extra costs that may be incurred by a change in the class of cabin;
- Telephone bills, bar bills or any other personal expenses incurred;
- Transportation costs from your home to the port of embarkation and transportation costs from your port of disembarkation to your home, related accommodation and luggage transportation fees;
- Costs incurred by procedures deemed necessary for overseas travel (administrative fees for procedures deemed necessary for overseas travel, vaccination fees, visa application fees);
- Airport tax, departure and arrival taxes and port charges;
- Tips for the ship and any hotel facilities;
- Travel Insurance.

E) CANCELLATION FEES

Through payment of cancellation fees as indicated below, cancellation of the Travel Contract can be made at any time.

- Between 60-31 days prior to the departure date - 10% of the travel programme cost
- Between 30-10 days prior to the departure date - 20% of the travel programme cost
- From 9 days prior to the departure date up to the departure - 50 % of the travel programme cost
- Cancellation after commencement of travel, or failing to participate with no notice - 100% of the travel programme cost

This travel is via a chartered vessel, and thus for any reason (including cancellation during the voyage as directed by the captain) no refund of the travel programme cost can be made following the commencement of travel.

F) OTHERS

- Subscription to travel insurance is mandatory.
- Please check travel advisories issued by relevant agencies to ensure safety and security during the travel.
- Your passport must have at least 6 months of validity upon arrival at New York.
- The contents of this pamphlet are up to date as at March 1, 2016.

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