Call for Applications: 2015: M.A. in Applied Conflict Transformation Studies at the Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies

The Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies in Siem Reap, Cambodia invites applications to its master's program in Applied Conflict Transformation Studies (ACTS). The **application deadline is October 31** for the program that begins in March 2015.

The ACTS program is a part time distance-learning course involving a combination of self-study and three, two-week residential seminars each year in Siem Reap, Cambodia. The course fee is 2,500 USD a year. Some scholarships are available.

The two-year masters program in Applied Conflict Transformation Studies is specially designed for peace practitioners from all sectors including NGOs, government, military, armed groups and business from all over the Asia region.

This program includes practical study, advanced conflict intervention skills and theory, analysis and strategy development, plus specialized action research into areas of peace building and conflict transformation related to the work of participants and their organizations.

The M.A. program is fully accredited by Paññāsāstra University of Cambodia (PUC).

Selection criteria:

- □ Experience in participative learning methodology in the field of conflict transformation or related fields
- □ Willingness to participate in a cross-cultural, interfaith learning environment
- At least two years work experience in conflict transformation or related fields
- □ Support of employer or someone connected with proposed area of work and action research
- □ Capacity to cope well with demands of the course, including self-directed action-research
- □ Commitment to peace and justice values
- □ Self-awareness and openness to receiving feedback
- □ Access to computer, email, internet
- □ Fluency in use of the English language (required to pass IELTS score 6.0 or TOEFL of 550)
- □ Undergraduate degree is essential
- □ Living and working within boundaries of the Asia Pacific region
- □ Over the age of 25 years

Contact: ACTS admissions, <u>acts@centrepeace.asia</u>

For more information and application materials please visit our website: http://www.centrepeaceconflictstudies.org/acts/

Strong candidates for the program are those that are familiar with basic elements of conflict transformation, either through their work experience or related training. Strong candidates also have previous experience with participative learning methodology in their field.

A selection panel formed from the two partner organisations assesses each applicant's suitability for the course. Successful applicants **must** meet the following criteria:

- Employer or organisation relevant to peace and conflict transformation
- Undergraduate degree (Bachelors or equivalent)
- Living and working within boundaries of the Asia Pacific region
- Access to computer, email, internet
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