

# Guidelines for Conflict Resolution AMP Students

## Matriculating in the CONRES Graduate Program

- Fill out and submit the [AMP Interest Form](#) declaring your intent to apply to a specific Accelerated Master's Program, if you have not done so already.
- Fill out and submit the [AMP application](#).
- To formally accept your offer once admitted, fill out the Enrollment Confirmation Form in your acceptance letter or in your [Beacon Gateway](#).
- During the semester you will reach 120 credits and complete all undergraduate requirements, , [apply for undergraduate graduation](#)
- Once you complete the bachelor's degree, you will automatically matriculate as a graduate student.
- **Maintain regular contact with both your undergraduate and graduate advisor to ensure that you are taking the appropriate courses to earn your BA and accelerated master's degree. When you meet with your advisors be sure to remind them you are an AMP student so that you are advised correctly**

## Course Load

While our other MA students typically take 9 credits per semester for two years, AMP students will take 3-6 graduate credits per semester at first because of undergraduate coursework they are also taking. AMP students can earn a maximum of 18 credits of graduate credit while matriculated as an undergraduate. **You will need to talk with both your undergrad and graduate advisors to make sure that you have a plan that will:**

- get you the course content you want
- finish you up when you want to
- keep you in compliance with registration requirements so you pay the correct level of tuition and maintain your financial aid

## Graduate/Undergraduate Balance

**Remember that while you are still officially an undergrad (until you reach 120 credits and fulfill all your undergrad requirements) you must be taking at least 50% undergrad classes to 50% graduate courses.** Ideally, you should fulfill all of your undergrad requirements by the time you reach 120 credits.

## Course Sequence

The first thing to know is that you'll begin your ConRes courses with the same two foundation courses that all the other students take:

- ConRes 621: Negotiation
- ConRes 623: Theories of Conflict

Both of these courses are taught every fall. The **Theory** course is also offered in the spring as a doctoral seminar with our first year PhD students in the Global Governance and Human Security program. After consultation with the GPD (currently Karen Ross) you may be able to take this seminar, but be advised that it will be more intensive and demanding than the version of the course taught in the fall. These courses are pre-requisites for many of the electives we offer, but it's often ok to take an elective and its pre-requisite at the same time. Just ask!

### **Completing the MA**

If you want to finish the MA in just one extra year, you'll want to make sure that you have only 18 grad credits left at the end of what would have been your final year as an undergrad. If that's an important goal for you, then it can be very helpful to plan out your full course of study—you can always make changes, but if you have a plan you'll know what you're doing. The worksheet that all our MA students use can be a big help for planning. Note that many AMP students take summer coursework to stay on track to graduate in 2 years. Be sure to talk with your ConRes faculty advisor or the GPD (Karen Ross) about this early in your career with us. Please feel free to ask any questions you may have!