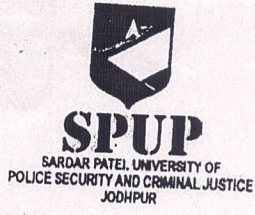


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**Sub: MA Program in International Relations and Conflict Studies for Serving Police Personnel.**

Dear Arvind Kumar Jain,

Greetings from Sardar Patel University of Police, Security and Criminal Justice, Jodhpur!

Sardar Patel University of Police, Security and Criminal Justice is a State University established by the Government of Rajasthan. The Act mandates the University to focus on teaching and research in the field of Police, Social Sciences, Criminal justice, Public Safety, Security and other related areas. This is a unique initiative in the above mentioned fields as this University will be a blending ground for academia, practitioners and industry.

I am glad to inform you that our University is going to start an **MA program in International Relations and Conflict Studies from academic year 2015-16.** This program is an innovative and highly-specialized offering for the working professionals in police department, civil services and others having interest in security, like Media and NGOs. It has been designed for the professionals looking to enhance their knowledge of the complexities of the ever-evolving global environment. The program offers an interactive, collaborative learning environment that fosters the development of competencies as well as inculcates sensitivity to real world issues having conflict connotations. The program aims to help them become effective 'leaders' and 'change agents' in mitigating conflicts.

There are no longer clear distinctions between regional conflicts and issues of global security. Most conflicts have an international dimension and global insecurity has both local and international causes. The MA program in International Relations and Conflict Studies focuses on mechanisms for handling regional conflicts, both between and within states, and developing strategies for cooperation in conflict-ridden environment.

**Maximum Strength:** The maximum size of our program is 20 students. 50% seats will be reserved for professionals comprising a mixture of police officers, civil servants, journalists, NGO workers active in conflict situations with **five years of experience.** Remaining 50 % seats will be available for fresh graduates. However, if suitable candidates are not found in one stream, they will be filled from

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**Duration:** The MA program is of two years duration, spread over four semesters.

**Eligibility:** The minimum qualification for admission into the program is graduation from any recognized university by the UGC in any discipline with 50% marks for SC/ST and 55% for general and OBC category aspirants. Medium of instruction will be English.

**Admission Process:** To be considered for the first batch beginning in August 2015, professionals are required to submit complete application (including the personal details, statement of purpose and letters of recommendation) before 30 April, 2015. It needs to be noted that professionals will be screened as per their prior academic achievements and their stated reasons for wishing to take the program. They will be asked to send an approx. 500-word statement outlining:-

- a) Why they wish to join this program, and
- b) What in their record makes them suitable for this program?

Each complete application will be reviewed and evaluated and the applicants will be notified of their status once the admissions committee takes the final decision on 15 May, 2015.

**Distinguished Speakers:** The students stand to benefit from a wealth of on-campus expertise and outside faculty. Distinguished policymakers, practitioners and academicians active in related areas will deliver regular lectures. The intention is to facilitate the exploration of key issues in international politics, conflict and security, in an interactive environment. SPUP has carefully chosen visiting professors as well as entered into institutional collaboration with the best institutions, think-tanks and university departments in the field.

**Fee and other Expenses:** The MA program in International Relations and Conflict Studies is both global and South Asian in substance, and is reinforced by at least one week travel per semester for study, workshops, and seminars outside Jodhpur/Jaipur. Total fee of the program is estimated to be around 8 Lakh per student which will include their food, stay, books, travel and tuition costs. However, the professional's department or organization will continue to be responsible for his or her salary and other related benefits during the completion of the degree. The University is contemplating collaborations with foreign universities and visits to the places relevant to the program.

I shall be grateful, if you could give wide publicity about the program in your esteemed organization and encourage aspirants to apply for the program. Detailed information is available at our website [www.policeuniversity.ac.in](http://www.policeuniversity.ac.in)

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,



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