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for Women, Peace and Security



When women are included in peace negotiations, peace becomes more attainable and durable.

The Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace, and Security is the premiere research and teaching center focused on women's roles in building international security and growing economies worldwide.

Housed at Georgetown University and founded in collaboration with Secretary Hillary Rodham Clinton the Institute advances women's leadership through cutting edge research and education of the next generation of decision makers. The Institute is directed by Melanne Verveer who has a distinguished career advocating for women, culminating in her role as the US Ambassador for Global Women's Issues under President Obama.

At a time when women's rights and roles are being challenged from Ukraine to the United States, this Institute is more important than ever. The Georgetown Ambassadors for Women, Peace and Security are leaders from various walks of life who share a goal of accelerating women's representation and participation from the peace table to the board room. As Ambassadors, we come together to support the Institute in its mission and charter.

An invitation to become a Georgetown Ambassador for Women, Peace, and Security offers you the unparalleled opportunity to:

PARTICIPATE

PARTICIPATE in intimate conversations with global thought leaders on advancing women's rights and roles. Georgetown Ambassadors convene throughout the year to examine the global state of women with government leaders, scholars, and courageous women building peace.

Recent examples include conversations with:

- **Her Royal Highness Sophie, Countess of Wessex** on violence against women;
- **Former President of Kosovo Atifete Jahjaga** on women's experiences during war;
- **NPR's Nina Totenberg** on Supreme Court decisions; and
- **Afghanistan's former Ambassador to the US Roya Rahmani** on rollbacks to women's rights.



Ambassadors meet with Assembly speaker Alex Maskey in Belfast



EXPERIENCE

EXPERIENCE curated travel to places where women are on the frontlines of change and actively solving problems faced by their communities and countries.

In 2022, Georgetown Ambassadors traveled to Belfast and Dublin guided by the indomitable Monica McWilliams, a key negotiator of the Good Friday Agreement, and learned how “The Troubles” continue to affect daily life. They also met with Mary Robinson, Former President of Ireland, and witnessed how networks of women that were forged through conflict have endured through decades, and continue to play a role in keeping the peace.

Ambassadors enjoy an afternoon at designer Louise Kennedy's atelier in Dublin

AMPLIFY

AMPLIFY the Institute's research and programs which demonstrate the value of women's place at the table and bring its evidence based case to your own networks around the world.

The Women, Peace and Security Index is the signature research product of the Institute and ranks women's wellbeing across 170 countries. It empirically demonstrates that the wellbeing of women and the security of nations go hand in hand. It has informed government policies and has been presented widely, from the United Nations and the US State Department to the World Bank. National Geographic published a multi-page spread in its magazine and a video about the Index went viral on Tik Tok, receiving 13 million views.

The graduate certificate for gender, peace and security is another impactful program of the Institute, offering Georgetown students practical skills and rigorous academic treatment of critically important but often overlooked issues. Graduates of the program have secured prestigious positions, including at the White House and State Department, from which they can shape policy. The program is growing - doubling in size this year - and is cited as the deciding factor in numerous students' choice to pursue graduate studies at Georgetown University.



Ambassadors hear from two Afghan women leaders, now GIWPS Distinguished Fellows: Palwasha Hassan, co-founder of the pivotal Afghan Women Network, and Roya Rahmani, Afghanistan's former ambassador to the United States.

JOIN

JOIN our diverse community of influential leaders who are passionate about women's empowerment.

Georgetown Ambassadors are accomplished women who are dedicated to women's advancement and peace. They support the important work of the Institute with an annual tax-deductible gift.



Georgetown Ambassadors join by invitation and recommendation. If you would like to be considered, kindly contact sarah.rutherford@georgetown.edu.

