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Diversity is a defining characteristic of our time, affecting every element of our society, from politics and press to education and the economy. In our globally connected world, the need to understand the impact and dynamics of diversity in local areas is more important now than ever before.

The MPA is an international master's programme for public, private and voluntary sector professionals looking to deepen their knowledge and further their career. We provide the skills, expertise and global perspectives to allow you to successfully manage cultural diversity and create lasting, positive change in your own communities and organisations.

Why choose this course?

The programme provides:

- The opportunity to complete a Master's degree in 15 months, whilst working.
- Recognition and accreditation of your professional experience and prior learning.
- The flexibility of studying online and through short residential workshops where you can meet, network and learn with peers in similar roles around the world.
- A pioneering programme of study delivered by world-leading researchers.
- Courses developed by Coventry University, 15th in the Guardian's University Guide (2017) and Times Modern University of the Year 2014, 2015 and 2016.



“ The MPA brings together leading expertise from across multiple disciplines, with both scholarship and grassroots experience spanning the globe – a unique opportunity to learn about diversity from a truly diverse array of perspective and approaches. ”

**Dr Serena Hussain, Course Director,
MPA Global Diversity Governance**



What will I study?

The MPA consists of four core modules:

Key Concepts in Global Diversity Governance

A comprehensive introduction to the conceptual, theoretical and practical issues surrounding the governance of diversity. Everything from race and faith to global migration and nationalism – a fundamental starting point for your programme of study.

Global Diversity Governance in Context

From division in Israel and Palestine to extremism in Australia and the UK, students are guided by leading experts through some of the highest-profile global cases where the challenges of diversity and difference are most vivid. A powerful comparative look at the history and context of the governance of social relations around the world.

Intercultural Dialogue in Practice

Based upon Coventry's University's own research, this module equips students with a critical understanding and practical toolkit that allows them to use dialogue to bring people together and resolve tension – an essential module for anyone working with diverse communities.

The CTPSR Dissertation Module

This final module of study allows you to focus on a particular element of your practice. You will be supported by a designated subject expert to design and undertake a piece of academic research which will enable you to critically reflect upon an issue of interest either to inform and enhance your work or to progress to further study such as a PhD.



Programme Structure

Starting in September each year the MPA is designed to be studied over 15 months by 'blended learning' – a mixture of distance and face-to-face study.

At the beginning of the programme, you will have the opportunity to attend a short, residential workshop (up to 5 days) to cover the core learning on the Intercultural Dialogue in Practice, and a further workshop is provided to prepare students for the dissertation module.

Whilst not mandatory, attendance at the workshops is strongly advised as they provide a chance to hone your practical skills, network with professionals from across our postgraduate courses and meet our wider Centre team including leading academics, our PhD community and alumni network.

Admissions Criteria

Applicants should hold a 2:2 or above honours degree (or equivalent international qualification) from a recognised University, although exemptions may be allowed at the Course Team's discretion.

Applicants must have a minimum of five years evidenced working experience in a relevant field and be operating in a relevant managerial role either at the time of application or within the past 12 months.

For non-UK applicants, the entry requirement is English language proficiency at IELTS 6.5 or equivalent.

To enquire about this programme, please contact Samima Hussain, Postgraduate Programmes Manager at study.ctpsr@coventry.ac.uk or telephone +44 (0)24 77 659059 or visit www.coventry.ac.uk/ctpsr_study

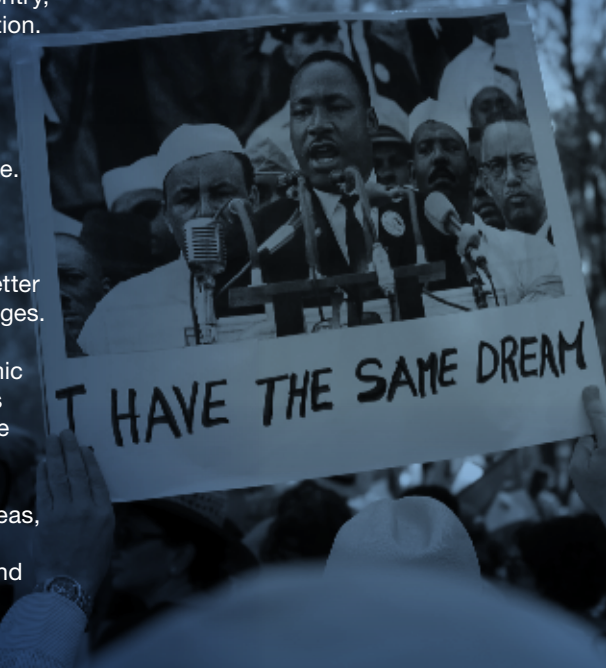


“...we see so much hatred, so much fear in society and this course addresses those really important, fundamental issues.”

Gulwali Passarlay, MPA student
International activist, refugee and author of
'The Lightless Sky'

Our courses encapsulate the Centre's core principles:

- **Inspired by our city.** Our courses are founded in and inspired by the heritage of Coventry, the UK's City of Peace and Reconciliation.
- **Research informed.** Our courses are designed and delivered by leading researchers, providing course content that is contemporary, timely and unique.
- **Connecting multiple perspectives.** Our teaching, like our research, draws from a broad range of disciplines to better understand and confront global challenges.
- **Practice-focused.** A blend of academic knowledge and practical skills ensures that our courses enhance your practice and further your career.
- **A learning community.** Share your ideas, experience and learning with fellow students, world-leading researchers and our international network of alumni.



“ The MPA offers a powerful and pioneering programme of study that prepares professionals from across the world to confront one of the prime responsibilities of our time: the successful governance of diversity. ”

Professor Mike Hardy CMG OBE, Executive Director
Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations



“ ...fostering dialogue for a better future, this unique course is helpful for mid-career professionals allowing them to work and study. ”

Vasif Eyvazzade, MPA student
Head of International Relations Division,
Ministry of Culture and Tourism, Republic of Azerbaijan



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