



**ROTARY YOUTH  
WORLD AFFAIRS SEMINAR**  
Saturday, June 21 – Friday, June 27, 2025  
Carroll University Waukesha Wisconsin USA  
**CANDIDATES WANTED**



Since 1976 the Rotary Youth World Affairs Seminar has provided a unique forum where 40,000 future leaders from 30 different countries have debated some of the most complex global problems in the stimulating environment of Carroll University, Wisconsin.

*What does it mean to build peace? The twenty-first century has seen a series of challenges to our collective understanding of this concept. Over 70 million people are currently displaced because of war, violence, persecution, and human rights violations, with half of this population being young people.*

*The toll of multi-year conflicts can be seen in such disparate places as Ukraine, Sudan, and Syria. And at the individual level, the anxiety and trauma created by the COVID-19 pandemic continue to challenge the well-being of people across the globe.*

## "Peacebuilding: Creating Lasting Change"

The question of "Peacebuilding and Creating a Lasting Change" has yet to be fully answered. How many times do we see amnesties and the restoration of Peace put in place, only to break down in months, weeks or even days?



WAS 2025 will introduce delegates to people, institutions, and ideas that address challenges to building a more peaceful world.

Delegates will be encouraged to develop a holistic and inclusive understanding of peacebuilding that considers global, national, and local issues.

Such a conclusion will come to have a profound impact on how all global citizens think about such things as elections, political parties, rights, and responsibilities.

**“YOUR” ROTARY CLUB** has an opportunity to help shape the world by nominating or sponsoring a 16–18-year-old student to attend the 2025 Rotary World Affairs seminar where, with fellow students from around the globe, they will debate: -

## **Peacebuilding: Creating Lasting Change**

**Rotary District 1100** will pay **all transport costs** to Chicago and onward to Carroll University for *TWO students to the 2025 World Affairs Seminar* but the student will be expected to pay accommodation/tuition fees of **£710 tbc.** Clubs or others may be required/or offer to assist with this.

- **Your Rotary Club** may also sponsor their own students air fares etc. to help send a larger team.
- **Your Rotary Club, along with YOUR LOCAL SCHOOLS and YOUR YOUTH GROUPS,** can have an influence on the future of the world by encouraging students to apply.
- **District 1100** has a reputation for sending the most exceptional and challenging students - help us to continue this record.

At the Seminar – Students will look at the timely and important topics of *“Peacebuilding: Creating Lasting Change: from a variety of viewpoints.*

Working with delegates from around the world, they will define issues & problems within these topics.

They will take field trips to see how business & organizations are these addressing issues.

They will discover what you can do to make your community and the world a better and safer place.

They will explore how technology and new opportunities come together, as the world adjusts to the problems of the present – and the needs of the future.

They will study the impact of race, class, and gender on *“Peacebuilding: Creating Lasting Change”.*

- *Post seminar they can present their conclusions to your Rotary Club, other schools and organisations in your area and in District 1100 as a whole.*
- *Please contact your Schools, Colleges & Youth Groups and encourage 16-18 yrs. old students to apply: thus, ensuring that we have excellent applications to select from.*

For further information see: - <http://www.worldaffairsseminar.org>

Students should apply by January 2nd<sup>th</sup> 2025 with a FULL C.V. AND BRIEF RESUMÉ on why the Seminar on *“Peacebuilding: Creating Lasting Change”* appeals to them

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Closing Date for applications: – January 2<sup>nd</sup> 2025

Selection/Interview Date – Late January (TBC)

*“What we as Rotarians do today should benefit those who inherit our world tomorrow*