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## Online Diploma in Multilateral Diplomacy 2026 - Edition 1

Multilateral Diplomacy

**Deadline: 9 Feb 2026**

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Type: Course

Location: Web-based

Date: 9 Feb 2026 to 31 Dec 2026

Duration: 10 Months

Programme Area: Peace Security and Diplomacy, , Multilateral Diplomacy

Website: <https://unitar.org/sustainable-development-goals/multilateral-diplomacy/our-por...>

Price: \$2,600.00

Event Focal Point Email: mdp-elearning@unitar.org

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## BACKGROUND

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research's (UNITAR) Online Diploma in Multilateral Diplomacy offers a unique opportunity for both students wanting to pursue a career in international relations, and professionals working in international and regional organizations as well as governmental and non-

governmental institutions, to expand their knowledge on international affairs and strengthen their capacities in the field of multilateral diplomacy.

Using internet-based training, UNITAR brings participants and trainers together in a unique virtual learning environment. All courses build on UNITAR's wealth of experience in designing and implementing training workshops on diplomacy and multilateral affairs at the country and regional levels. e-Learning provides specific advantages for geographically and time constrained individuals to obtain valuable information for their day-to-day operations and future projects.

## EVENT OBJECTIVES

After completing the Diploma, students should be able to :

- Demonstrate a comprehensive, substantive and practical knowledge of the current challenges in international affairs and diplomacy;
- Perform in both bilateral and multilateral working environments with increased confidence;
- Develop analytical skills and critical thinking;
- Advance their career through the acquisition of skills that are highly valued in an international working environment.

## CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

In order to be awarded the Online Diploma, participants are required to participate and successfully complete 4 out of 6 online courses offered by UNITAR's Multilateral Diplomacy Programme Unit from 9 February 2026 – 31 December 2026 and submit a Final Research Paper by 31 December 2025.

The e-Learning courses the students can choose from are:

- [The Art of Speechwriting- Spring Edition](#) (9 February 2026- 1 March 2026)
- [United Nations Protocol 2026 - Spring Edition](#) (18 May 2026 - 14 June 2026)
- [Overcoming Negotiation Deadlocks - 2026 Edition](#) (18 May 2026 - 14 June 2026)
- [Diplomacy 4.0 - Beyond the Digital Frontier 2026](#) (1 June 2026 - 12 July 2026)

- [Climate Change Diplomacy: Advanced Negotiation Skills and Strategies](#) (14 September - 11 October 2026)
- [Public and Cultural Diplomacy in a Multipolar World](#) (7 September- 8 October 2026)
- [The Art of Speechwriting - Fall Edition](#) (12 October- 2 November 2026)
- [United Nations Protocol - Fall Edition](#) (12 October- 8 November 2026)
- [Cross-Cultural Communication: Developing Cultural Awareness, Competences and Skills](#) (2 - 29 November 2026)
- [VUCA Diplomacy](#) (16 November- 13 December 2026)

Kindly note that some course dates might change.

All courses last between 4 to 6 weeks. The average workload for an individual course is 5 - 8 study hours per week.

The final requirement to obtain the Online Diploma in Multilateral Diplomacy will be the submission of a research paper of between 3,000 and 5,000 words.

## METHODOLOGY

**e-Learning:** The Diploma is internet-based. Courses are moderated by senior international experts, and place an emphasis on online discussions and self-paced learning.

The courses will consist of the following components:

- (1) Compulsory and optional reading material, intended to teach the basic concepts and principles of the lesson's subject-matter;
- (2) Multimedia and external links to additional books, articles, documents, and websites related to the lessons;
- (3) Quizzes and case studies;
- (4) Community Discussion Boards;
- (5) Collaborative learning tools such as simulation exercises, webinars and chats

## TARGETED AUDIENCE

The Online Diploma is designed for government officials, diplomats, private sector specialists, practitioners in the international arena, academics, students or any interested participants.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you register for the online diploma, you are not required to register for the separate e-Learning courses. Instead, please send us an email at mdp-elearning [at] unitar.org (mdp-elearning[at]unitar[dot]org) before the start of an e-Learning course to confirm that you would like to take the course as part of the Diploma.

UNITAR is a non-accrediting institution, and as such, diplomas that may be awarded by UNITAR carry no accreditation recognition.

### **Admission requirements**

There are no specific admission requirements. Participants who wish to enrol in one particular course without being awarded a diploma can still do so.

### **General requirements**

- Have a good command of the English language
- Be computer literate

### **Technical requirements**

UNITAR recommends the following as a minimum in hardware and software to take our e-Learning courses. Please consult your Network Administrator or Systems person to ensure that you have the following:

- Platform: Windows 10 or 11; MacOS 10.15 Catalina, 11 Big Sur, and 12 Monterey; Linux
- Software: Adobe Acrobat Reader, Microsoft Office (Windows or Mac) or Open Office
- Browser: Microsoft Edge; Safari; Google Chrome; it works better with Firefox 3.6 or higher. Note that JavaScript, Cookies and Pop-ups must be enabled.

### **Payment information**

We highly recommend credit card payments.

For more information, please consult the UNITAR Multilateral Diplomacy Programme website or contact mdp-elearning [at] unitar.org (mdp-elearning[at]unitar[dot]org)