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International Youth Peace Forum

Empowering the Next Generation of Peace Builders

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Summary

With the 25th anniversary of Nelson Mandela's election in post-apartheid South Africa and the 80th anniversary of the beginning of WWII approaching this year, the global community is reminded both of devastating conflicts and courageous pursuits of equity and peace. Historically, people-to-people exchanges and dialogue have been an essential tool to promote healing, reconciliation, and community development. To empower and further develop the commitment among youth to cultivate a more peaceful world, it is vital to continue offering a platform of cross-cultural understanding and dialogue.

Program Overview

With strategic support from the United Nations Association, the International Youth Peace Forum engages 16-20 students from universities in China, Germany, Israel, Japan, South Africa, the United Kingdom and the United States for a week-long program focused on global education, conflict resolution and peace building. Students will meet with policy, peace education, and international education scholars and experts from DC area universities and research institutions to gain insight on establishing community based people-to-people exchanges and strategies for creating pathways of peace. Following the program, participants will utilize these best practices to develop projects in their own country to further promote peace and cultural exchange. Participants will receive a Young Ambassador of Peace certificate of recognition and will be invited to begin developing a long lasting alumni community of future leaders for global peace.

Nomination Criteria



Each participating university will nominate two students to participate in the International Youth Peace Forum. Travel expenses, including round-trip transportation to Washington, DC and hotel accommodations will be fully-covered. An ideal participant is:

- A current university or college student
- Articulate with a strong command of the English language
- Mature and respectful of different cultures and perspectives
- Willing to actively participate in program discussions and willing to present perspectives from their own culture
- · Dedicated to cultural exchange and peace building
- Committed to utilizing dialogue as a tool to reconcile differences
- Active in embracing the common humanity shared among all global citizens

Participant Applications must be submitted by: April 22, 2019 to cius@ciuscenter.org

Additional Questions or concerns? Email cius@ciuscenter.org