



Call for Track Leaders

The YES is a yearly get-together for over 500 exchange students at the end of their experience, all put together by a team of over 100 YFU volunteers. It is the best opportunity to help students create a bridge between the exchange year and the return home, and we need Track Leaders **to design and deliver the educational content of the seminar.**

Do you want to collaborate with other Track Leaders to create and deliver sessions for the students, with the help of your Head of Track? Then read on, because this role might be the role for you.

YES 2019, 24-28 June 2019

About the YES

The Young Europeans' Seminar (YES) aims to contribute to the development of young global citizens through learning and volunteering together in a spirit of international friendship.

The YES is a unique opportunity to reunite with old friends from all over Europe and make new ones, creating a bridge between the exchange year and the return home. It's a fun learning experience where students explore what it means to be a citizen of the world through interactive learning activities. The international team of volunteers creates a unique spirit and an unforgettable experience for everyone at the YES.

See the aftermovie from the YES 2018



The topic of YES 2019 - “Breaking Through Walls”

The theme is a reference, not only to the physical walls between countries, but also to symbolic barriers that we experience between cultures, communities, and individuals. In 2019 we will explore the impact of barriers on an international, societal, and personal level. We will discuss how to use active citizenship in aiding the world to “break through walls” and influencing our own lives and the lives of others.

The students will experience this year’s topic through four different viewpoints: Debate, Activism, Technology, and Art. We will deconstruct the obstacles lying ahead of us as a global society. Together, we will ask ‘how can we actively and consciously take part in building a sustainable futures for ourselves, our communities, and the world?’

About your role

Track Leaders implement educational activities and lead sessions for groups of roughly 30 students. To keep the quality high, you commit to receiving online education within your chosen track throughout the spring – approximately 2 hours a week for 10-12 weeks.

You will ensure that the YES topic is present in all activities, that activities are well-structured, and that learning outcomes are met. You will stimulate the interest and curiosity of students, help develop their critical thinking, and create opportunities for personal development and self-expression.

Work needs to be done before the YES, so be ready to get involved in preparations early on. Throughout the period you will work alongside your Head of Track, who will guide you and help whenever needed.

You will work with



Your workload



The tracks for YES 2019

Activism will explore different ways to become an active citizen (campaigning, manifesting, voting, advocating, etc.) and will ask what steps can an individual take to take down walls around them.

Arts will explore how artistic movements can shape the thought of society and political discourse, and how art can bring people together despite of the walls or barriers between them.

Debate will explore how to participate in political discourse and how to put forward one's arguments and viewpoints – how to speak to get your point across.

Technology will explore how technology influences our society and how someone can use it for a cause, but will also raise awareness of potential threats coming from misusing it.

What do you gain?

Participating at the YES as a volunteer is a rewarding experience. The seminar lasts for 4 days and there is plenty to gain:

- Possibility to share your volunteer experience and get to know a lot of new people
- Increasing skills in facilitating group work and learning processes of peer groups
- Experience of working with YFU on an international level
- Opportunity to be a part of the biggest YFU event in Europe
- Have a great time together with 600+ people
- After the YES, all Track Leaders are invited to join the **European Trainers Network (ETN)**

See Vilma and Trine talk about the role of Track Leader at the YES



Who are we looking for?

If you wish to be a Track Leader at the YES 2019, you should:

- be fluent in English (German is an advantage)
- have expertise, competency, or sound interest in one of the tracks;
- have experience in designing and leading educational activities;
- have experience in training, facilitating, or coaching;
- understand the YES vision and YFU core educational mission;
- be organised and able to coordinate a small team;
- Being a member of the European Trainer Network is an advantage;
- have time to work with the team before the YES.

Questions?

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Interested?
You can now apply here!

Deadline: January 31st, 2019