#SheLeads4Peace Summer School (virtual edition)

Peace

**Deadline:** Closed

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**BACKGROUND**

Are you curious about what it takes for young women, like yourself, to lead in the male-dominated field of peace and security? Do you want to gain practical and professional skills to master effective leadership for peace? Or are you looking for an opportunity to meet a unique group of peers from around the world that will build your international network of strong women with a common goal? Then this opportunity might be for you.

The #SheLeads4Peace Summer School will offer participants the opportunity to gain the knowledge and skills necessary to realise their ambitions to become a leader in peace and security.

What motivates us at UNITAR to offer you the best possible summer school? Our answer is: Did you know that it is estimated that 50% of the world’s population is under 30 years old? That the COVID-19 pandemic has set the world back by a generation on its agenda to reach gender parity? Increasing the number of women elevated to lead and contribute to peace processes at all levels is not just desirable from an equity perspective, but it is crucial for sustaining peace.

In light of the realities of the world we are living in, UNITAR is delighted to be able to offer this online summer school for young women peacebuilders.
EVENT OBJECTIVES

With the focus on encouraging leadership in young women as well as an emphasis on the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) agenda, UNITAR’s #SheLeads4Peace Summer School seeks to:

- Provide participants with opportunities for professional growth and personal development in regard to becoming an effective leader for peace;
- Help participants increase their own awareness of their leadership styles through exploring examples of effective leadership for peace;
- Allow participants to learn first-hand about working for the United Nations and International Organisations;
- Give participants an insight into the latest developments regarding the realisation of Agenda 2030;
- Provide participants with opportunities to build and join a network of strong women with a common goal.

CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

The #SheLeads4Peace Summer School will consist of two weeks of half-day virtual experiential sessions focused on what it means to lead effectively for peace as young women as well as gaining familiarity with the sustaining peace ecosystem.

Module 1: The sustaining peace ecosystem

Module 2: Effective leadership

Module 3: Becoming the next generation of women leaders for peace

Module 4: Tips, tricks and navigating those early career hurdles

METHODOLOGY

Through experiential learning, participants will engage in practical based exercises that support their professional and personal growth. UNITAR will employ various pedagogies to enhance learning and behavioural change, with the aim to challenge participants in a safe environment where they can share lessons learned and strengthen their networks and understanding of the world. Through peer-to-peer learning, mentoring, and simulation activities participants will gain practical skills as well as have the opportunity to reflect on and develop their own leadership style.

TARGETED AUDIENCE

The target audience for this summer school is young (self-identifying) women, who wish to pursue a career linked to peace and security. Preference will be given to applicants who are already leaders within their communities – either in youth groups, local grassroots NGOs, CSOs, universities, or within another organisational setting.

It is suggested that participants should be post-graduate students (either at a Masters or Doctoral level) or in their first year or two of their career. However, outstanding candidates who are in their final year of undergraduate studies are also encouraged to apply. UNITAR encourages applications from underrepresented groups and persons with disabilities to apply.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

UNITAR will be responsible for the overall design, coordination and implementation of the #SheLeads4Peace Summer School. It will liaise with participants on a regular basis prior to the activity’s implementation in order to ensure a smooth and flawless organisation for everyone involved.
Participants are responsible for ensuring that they have a stable internet connection which will allow for up-to 5hrs of video conferencing a day.