

## What is a UN Youth Rep?

Lehigh created the world's first UN Youth Representative Program, matching UN-accredited NGOs with high-achieving undergraduate and graduate students who serve as that NGO's voice at the United Nations.

Youth Representatives meet with global decision makers, participate in international conferences, and moderate briefings broadcast worldwide on UN TV. Youth Representatives have spoken on the floor of the General Assembly.

Youth Representatives visit the UN once per month, where they attend briefings, conferences and private meetings with UN officials on behalf of their NGO on topics such as the role of art in creating cultures of peace or economic development across Africa.

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# Center for Women Studies and Intervention (CWSI)

### NIGERIA

CSWI is a non-governmental, non-religious and notfor-profit organization whose mission is to uphold the dignity of women and girls through empowerment and raising awareness related to the root causes of gender-based violence, poverty, and oppression.



CWSI has undertaken immense research on root causes of gender based violence in five states of Nigeria and has been lobbying legislators to make gender friendly laws that will help to put an end to inhumane and degrading treatment of women.

## About the Center for Women Studies and Intervention

CWSI is one of the bold initiatives of concerned citizens outside government to address the issues of marginalization, pppression and violence against women and girls in all forms, especially by culture and poverty. Since inception, CWSI has been a vanguard of training women, particularly at the grassroots level. Women face an ever-present risk of social relegation, underscoring the need for them to become politically aware, socially responsible and economically independent. When empowered, they can become active in the promotion of a better world, on a balanced basis with men.

