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.

Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA)

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They envision a life filled with compassion for all, shared in a beloved community, and lived in a just world. They commit themselves to pursuing this vision faithfully, passionately, and humbly.

UUA’s beliefs are diverse and inclusive. They have no shared creed. Their shared covenant supports “the free and responsible search for truth and meaning.” Though Unitarianism and Universalism were both liberal Christian traditions, this responsible search has led them to embrace diverse teachings from Eastern and Western religions and philosophies.

The UUA is building an action-oriented community by bringing together people of all races, religions, and creeds with a shared desire to make faith, religion, and spirituality verbs. They embrace peace, love, and understanding that goes beyond individual belief systems. Though they have deep roots in Christianity, they embrace teachings across a wide range of Eastern and Western religions and philosophies. They are sending a message to congregations and society that faith can be amplified by action. They live their faith by doing. Whether in community with others or as an individual, they act with a moral responsibility of active, tangible expressions of love, justice, and peace.