



MUSLIM LEADERS
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International Leadership Forum Announcement - Call for Applications

The UNESCO Chair & Institute of Comparative Human Rights at the University of Connecticut invites applications for the fourth annual International Leadership Programme: A Global Intergenerational Forum, to be held August 4 - 12, 2008 in Storrs, Connecticut. Applications must be received by March 3, 2008.

The Forum seeks to empower young leaders by involving them in finding solutions to emerging human rights problems, and nurturing individuals to be effective leaders in the field of human rights. To this end, the Forum will:

- Introduce participants to the United Nations Millennium Development Goals and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- Build a network of solidarity among human rights leaders
- Expand the knowledge relevant to human rights practice
- Provide tools and a platform for open debates
- Provide programs, activities and processes necessary for human rights leadership
- Promote the sharing of experiences and understanding
- Showcase speakers on such topics as: health and human rights, the environment, the plight of child soldiers, the use of media, fundraising, conflict resolution and transformation; litigation and advocacy

The UNESCO Chair will provide all conference participants with dormitory housing, meals, ground transportation in Connecticut, resource materials and a certificate of participation. Accepted participants are responsible for their travel to Connecticut.

Young people between the ages of 18-30, with community service experience, and with demonstrated ability to work on solutions to human rights problems, should apply. Relevant issues include, but are not limited to, human trafficking, the plight of children, refugees, hunger, HIV/AIDs, gender discrimination, racism, classism, the environment and peace education. Fluency in English is required, as the conference will be held in English only. Applicants will be selected based on their application essay about the ways in which they expect to apply the skills learned during the forum.

Programme details and application material can be accessed by linking to www.unescochair.uconn.edu