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Rotary YOUNG FRIENDS Scholarships

We have the pleasure of announcing that a limited number of Rotary YOUNG FRIENDS scholarships will be made available for students from Southeastern Europe for studies at the International Summer School from June 25 – August 5, 2016 and participation in a pre-session workshop June 19 – 24.

What the scholarships cover

The scholarships cover the total program expenses, which includes room and board (on-campus housing), all course/seminar fees, pocket money, and return travel expenses between your nearest international airport and Norway.

2016 International Summer School

The International Summer School (ISS) at the University of Oslo offers courses in the humanities and social sciences to some 600 students from around 90 nations every summer. In addition to the academic instruction there is a rich cultural program, debates, sports, excursions and informal get-togethers. Through the academic program and extracurricular activities the goal is to increase understanding and goodwill between people from different national and cultural backgrounds. Read more on the ISS website: **www.uio.no/summerschool**

Becoming part of the Nansen Academy and the International Summer School we believe was an experience like no other. It provided us with the opportunity to do something great and significant for our development, as well as to contribute directly to the environment that we have in our home countries.

Margarita Poposka, Macedonia, former Young Friends student

The Rotary YOUNG FRIENDS Scholarship Program

The Rotary YOUNG FRIENDS scholarship program is part of a confidence-building project aiming at stimulating dialog and creating mutual understanding between students from different parts of Southeastern Europe. In cooperation with the Nansen Center for Peace and Dialogue (NCPD) (**www.fredssenter.no**), a seminar focusing on democracy, human rights and peaceful conflict resolution will be arranged prior to the ISS session, June 19 - 24, 2016. Read more about the Nansen Dialogue Network on **www.nansen-dialogue.net**. In addition, the participating Rotary and Rotaract clubs in Oslo will organize get-togethers during the ISS session.

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Scholarship criteria

- Enrolled in university-level studies, or obtained a university degree
- A good command of English, both orally and in writing, is essential, as all the relevant courses are taught in English
- An interest in humanities and social sciences
- An active and demonstrated interest in the development of your local community
- Active participation in student organizations an/or human rights organizations
- An aspiration to hold leadership positions and make a difference, be it in politics, government or business

During their stay in Norway, the students are expected to take an active part in the international and social activities arranged by NCPD, ISS and Rotary.

After returning home, the students are required to actively engage in local community affairs (i.e. municipality, NGOs, university, school etc.) and take part in projects organised by local Rotary clubs and Nansen Centres to promote and practice the skills learned in Norway helping to advocate peace and reconciliation.

See the ISS website for detailed information: **www.uio.no/summerschool**

How to apply

1. Read the ISS website, including admission requirements and course offerings: **www.uio.no/summerschool**
2. Apply online via the ISS website
   a) You must apply as a "Scholarship applicant"
   b) Choose "on-campus" under Housing status
   c) Instead of submitting the ISS scholarship form, you must fill out this short online form: https://nettskjema.uio.no/answer/67894.html
   d) We recommend that you upload a recommendation letter from your Rotary club.
3. Apply and upload all required documents in the online application portal by the 1 February deadline.
4. All applicants will be notified by email of the application result by April 2016.

We look forward to receiving your application!

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