



2016 INTERNATIONAL YOUTH TRAVEL SEMINAR

Global Human Rights Awareness

Haiti & Cuba

Summer 2016

The International Youth Travel Seminar is a youth partnership and educational seminar with American and International students. This program, in its 16th year, has sent American High School students on a United States Freedom Tour to the Bahamas, South Africa, Cuba, Brazil, Gambia, and The Netherlands, where they were able to engage in educational opportunities expanding their world view.

The 2016 Global Human Rights Awareness Travel Seminar will include travels to Haiti and Cuba visiting museums and sites expanding their understanding of human rights, visiting local schools to build relationships with students, and participating in community service programs in each country. If selected, participants are required to work with the team of delegates and leaders for monthly developmental programs prior to departure.

Program requirements:

- *Be a high school sophomore or junior by August 2015*
- *Complete the International Youth Delegate Training Program*
- *Complete approved social action and community service projects prior to departure*
- *Fulfill fundraising requirements*
- *Adhere to International Youth Friendship and Development Program Standards of Personal Conduct and Community Behavior*

How to Become a Delegate

- Complete an application – Due April 1, 2015
- Complete an interview – Mid April 2015
- Obtain parental or legal guardian consent

Program Cost:

The cost of the program is approximately \$4,500, which covers round- trip airfare, ground transportation in host countries, food, lodging, and entrance fees. **Participation in group fundraising efforts can lower individual costs by as much as half.**

For more information, please visit our website at www.internationalyouth.us or call 832.573.2705.

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2016 Travel Seminar Delegate Application

Please complete all sections of the application. The deadline for submission is April 1, 2015.

Section 1 – Personal Information

Full Name: _____
Last First M.I.

Address: _____
Street Address Apartment/Unit #

City State Zip Code

Home: () **Cell Phone:** () **Email Address:** _____

Date of Birth _____ **Parent/Guardian Email Address:** _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ **Contact Phone:** () _____

Section 2 – Academic Information

Name of School: _____

Grade: _____ **Year of Graduation:** _____ **GPA:** _____

Section 3 – Activities and Interests

A. List and briefly describe your high school extracurricular activities (include school, religious, and community based):

<u>Organization Involved</u>	<u>Position Held</u>	<u>Date of Involvement</u>



B. List honors or academic awards you have received (e.g. scholarly activities, research, etc.):

Award/Honor	Institution/Organization	Date

Section 4 – Supplemental Questions/Short Essays

Please answer the following questions on a separate page with typed responses.

- A. Have you traveled internationally before? Yes ____ No ____
- B. Are you willing to work to raise money for the Travel Seminar with the support from your parents and others?
- C. Why are you interested in international travel and how do you think you will benefit from the travel seminar?
(200 word maximum)
- D. Please provide a **250 word minimum** essay based on two of the following topics. (Question #1 is mandatory)
 1. Why is the Declaration of Human Rights (United Nations) important to the people of the world?
(Mandatory)
 2. How will your participation in this program help you to become a better human being and asset to your community?
 3. What is the reason Haiti has been unable to share in the prosperity of the Western world? Why does Haiti matter?
 4. How has Cuba made an impact in the world community, through medicine, science, politics, building solidarity, and humanitarian efforts?

Please mail completed applications by April 1, 2015 to:

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