



MANY LANGUAGES, ONE WORLD[®]

2017 Student Essay Contest and Global Youth Forum

The purpose of the Many Languages, One World Student Essay Contest and Global Youth Forum is to promote global citizenship and cultural understanding through multilingualism and the continued study of the six official languages of the United Nations – Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish. This event was created to bring global-minded young scholars from all over the world together to engage in dialogue about global issues and initiatives that could be carried back to their universities and institutions. ELS and the United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI) are pleased to sponsor this event and welcome Northeastern University as the host of the Many Languages, One World Global Youth Forum and the sponsor and organizer of the Northeastern University Global Youth Conference.



CALL FOR ENTRIES

Sixty students will be selected as delegates to the 2017 Many Languages, One World Global Youth Forum and Conference where they will create plans of action related to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. The students will present these plans at United Nations Headquarters in New York City in July 2017. These international delegates will also have the opportunity to interact with invited international scholars and tour Boston and New York City. See the video on last year's winners at ManyLanguagesOneWorld.org.

Airfare, room and meals will be provided to student winners by ELS Educational Services, Inc.



TO PARTICIPATE

The essay, not to exceed 2,000 words, should discuss global citizenship and cultural understanding, and the role that multilingual ability can play in fostering these. The essay should reflect personal, academic, cultural and national context. Entries must be in an official language of the United Nations – Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian or Spanish – that is neither your first language (language(s) spoken at home) nor the medium of instruction in either your primary or secondary education (or a medium of instruction if attending a bilingual school).

TO ENTER

You must be a full-time university student and must be 18 years of age or older by 16, March 2017. You must be recommended by a faculty member or authorized representative at the university you are currently attending in order to participate.

WINNERS

Ten students in each language group will be selected as winners.

DEADLINE

The deadline to submit your essay is Thursday, 16 March 2017 at 11:59 PM EST.

For complete contest rules, eligibility and details, visit ManyLanguagesOneWorld.org.

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