

OCIC Youth Policy-Makers Hub Application

OCIC's Youth Policy-Makers Hub (YPH) is a dynamic space for youth ages 18-35 from across Ontario to meaningfully engage, build their capacity, and make an impact on policy-making and advocacy efforts towards achieving gender equality and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Are you:

- Living in Ontario and between the ages of 18-35 (by August 31, 2022)?
- Passionate about gender equality, social and environmental justice issues?
- Keen on utilizing your experience and ideas to contribute to advocacy and policy processes occurring at sub-national, national, and international levels

Applications from youth representing historically marginalized communities and those who are mis- or under-represented in policy and advocacy spaces will have priority focus, as well as those located outside the Greater Toronto Area (GTA).

As an equity seeking organization, OCIC encourages applications from individuals who represent the full diversity of communities in Canada, including complexities of intersecting identities such as ability, age, class, gender, race and sexual orientation. Please let us know if you have any needs for accommodation throughout the process by reaching out to emmanuelle@ocic.on.ca.

Applications close on Wednesday, July 20 at 11:59 PM EST.

Note: Drafts cannot be saved in this form. A preview of the application questions is available on the OCIC YPH webpage at <https://ocic.on.ca/programs/youth-policy-makers-hub/>. We recommend you prepare your responses on that document, and cut and paste them to the google application form, when you are ready to apply.

General Member Application

About You

*= required fields

First Name*

Last Name*

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Email*

Phone Number*

Birthdate and Age (as of August 31, 2022)*

What is your gender identity?*

- Woman
- Man
- Non-binary
- Choose not to indicate

Please identify any other aspects of your identity that you would like to share

Place of Residence in 2022-2023 (City/Region)* (Please note that the YPH program is for youth residing in Ontario)

Do you have access to a stable internet or phone connection?*

- Yes
- No

Please provide any social media links you would like to share (Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.)

Commitment

The YPH program requires a commitment of 2-3 hours/week for meetings and/or activities, from September 2022 to April 2023. Please verify you are able to meet this requirement and share comments about your availability in "other".*

- Yes
- No
- Other _____

Lived Experience & Issues of Focus

Which of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) align most with your interests or advocacy?* (choose your top 3)

- Goal 1: No Poverty
- Goal 2: Zero Hunger
- Goal 3: Good Health and Well-being
- Goal 4: Quality Education
- Goal 5: Gender Equality
- Goal 6: Clean Water & Sanitation
- Goal 7: Affordable and Clean Energy
- Goal 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth
- Goal 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
- Goal 10: Reduced Inequalities
- Goal 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities
- Goal 12: Responsible Consumption and Production
- Goal 13: Climate Action
- Goal 14: Life Below Water
- Goal 15: Life on Land
- Goal 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
- Goal 17: Partnerships for the Goals

Please explain your selection. How do your lived experience, values, education and/or work align with the SDGs that are most important to you? (150-250 words)*

What impact would you like to make towards gender equality and social/environmental change, locally and/or globally? (150-250 words)*

Have you ever been involved in policy-making or advocacy work? If so, in what ways/capacities? (100-150 words)

Why are you interested in learning about and being a part of shared policy-making and advocacy efforts? (100-150 words)*

What would you like to gain from being part of OCIC's Youth Policy-Makers Hub and how will you bring back what you learn to your community or organization? (100-150 words)*

Please list any networks, community groups, organizations and/or initiatives you are or have been connected to, volunteered for or are working with.

Are you being nominated by an OCIC member organization?

You may find the full list of OCIC members here:

<https://www.ocic.on.ca/membership/our-members/>

- Yes
- No

(if yes, application continues to section 3)

(if no, application finishes and can be submitted)

Section 3 of 3

OCIC Member Nomination

Applicants nominated by OCIC organizational or network members are candidates for both nominated and general membership to the YPH. When an applicant is nominated, the organization recognizes that applicant in their network and verifies their participation as declared in this form.

Name of Organization:*

Reference Contact Information (Name, Position; Email; Phone number)*

This contact may be contacted to confirm the applicant's participation in the organization as outlined in the following question.

Please briefly outline your involvement with this organization (100-150 words)*

(end of form)