

KEEN Young Leader Programme

Could you make the difference?



So, you'd like to help make society better? All you need is the opportunity!

If you are also self-motivated and ambitious about what to do once you finish school, our **Young Leader Programme** could be for you.

Aimed at 16-19 year olds, you will have the opportunity to make a huge difference, learn fantastic skills, and gain invaluable experience. **Applications are now open to join one of our three cohorts for 2019-20.**

Who we are

At KEEN, we think that people with additional needs should be fully included in society! We are an award winning, inclusive community organisation helping to create, support, and promote inclusion.



Our Young Leader Programme is...

A flexible 4-8 month placement with an average weekly commitment of 2-3 hours, during which time you will complete a project in each of four areas:

Recruitment | Session planning and leading | Publicity | Fundraising

You will take part in KEEN sessions, events, and meetings and have a full insight into our work, as well as receive training, support, and the opportunity to meet and work with other students on the programme.

The programme is designed to fit around studies and alongside other commitments, to be accessible for as many students as possible.

Volunteering with KEEN made me want to do more for the organisation, and the YLP gave me the perfect opportunity to do so. I developed creatively, and improved my team working skills."

Nandini, Young Leader



Why take part in the YLP?

Apart from being a fun and sociable opportunity within our friendly, diverse, predominantly student-led team, it is perfect for further study in a range of areas (e.g. economics and management, medicine, law, arts, education) and careers with a leadership role.

It meets (and exceeds) requirements of IB CAS, the Duke of Edinburgh Award, and similar schemes, and you'll graduate from the programme with a certificate, a record of achievement, and a detailed reference from KEEN.



"The Young Leader Programme has allowed me to meet all sorts of people from around Oxford. I am very grateful to have been able to work on some fantastic projects together." Zhen, Young Leader

Applications for 2019-20 now open!

How to apply?

We accept applications on a rolling basis (with a deadline for each cohort!), and you can get in touch at any time to find out more.

You can find more details, deadlines for each cohort, and our online application form at www.keenoxford.org/young-leaders.

What you've already got

- Energy and enthusiasm!
- An interest in working with young people with learning disabilities and/or special needs.
- An ability to work independently
- Willingness to learn from and share with others



"Our Young Leaders contribute so much each year, and KEEN has always been a fantastic place for young people to develop skills and challenge themselves. This is demonstrated by many KEEN team members who go on to excel in their further studies and careers." Jim McMahon, KEEN Chair of Trustees

93%

of Young Leaders in 2018/19 told us that the YLP gave them great opportunities they would otherwise not have had!

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