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THE TERRELL SESSUMS
YOUNG LEADERS INITIATIVE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

The annual American Committees on Foreign Relations (ACFR) Young Leaders Initiative (YLI) event is held each May or June in Washington, DC. <https://acfr.org/young-leaders-initiative/>

ACFR welcomes a group of 15 to 20 Young Leaders, all undergraduate students, from Committees around the country, to engage in small group briefings and active exchanges with U.S. government officers, think tank scholars, and other international affairs professionals.

Our Committee sends one or two students to this program, known locally as the Terrell Sessums YLI, and anonymously funded by the generosity of one CFR Member in honor of Mr. Sessums. This application requires: i) a resume and a headshot picture, and ii) 200-300 word answers to each of the questions below. From those responses, up to three of the respondents will be invited before a panel of Committee Members. The panel will choose one or two student member(s) for this honor.

The YLI is looking for undergraduate level students who demonstrate high academic achievement, potential career interest in international affairs, and strong leadership qualities. Attendance at the monthly CFR meetings in Tampa will be a significant factor in the selection process.

Upon completion of the workshop in DC, our successful candidate(s) will be expected to prepare a written report on his/her or their experience for sharing with the Committee.

1. What are your specific plans upon completion of your education?
2. How would participation in YLI further those plans?
3. Is there anything in your background or upbringing which would make YLI particularly helpful to you in achieving your goals? For example, one candidate may be the first college graduate in their family and never been to DC. So YLI would be an incredible jump start to achieving his or her goals. Another candidate may have substantial international experience and would be a superb representative of the Committee at YLI. There is no correct answer to this question; the panel does not have a specific profile in mind.

DEADLINE for Submission:
March 15

Please email your submission to Committee Chairman Richard Jacobson:
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