

**UNNYOUTH**

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# Putting Gender on the Agenda

The theme for this year's conference is "Putting Gender on the Agenda." I chose this theme so that the delegates can better understand the gendered debates going on around them, and what they can do to be aware of certain biases or prejudices. I also hope the weekend instills a sense of inclusivity as we explore the complexities of gender equality and how it is a fundamental human right.

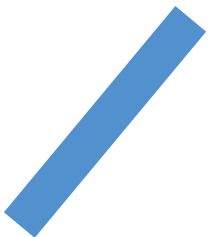
Our goal is to dissect how diverse communities experience the global gender gap, the role that the media plays in fuelling gender-based rhetoric and particularly looking at this in the context of politics.



By exploring these ideas, delegates will be able to comprehend how and why certain decisions are made and how sometimes it can prevent equal opportunity, particularly in a professional setting. By breaking down these illusions, the delegates will be able to question and poke holes into the traditional roles that are ascribed to us, and will hopefully become inspired to form their own individuality beyond what society says! Navigating these issues are the keys to solving them, that is why it is so important to discuss such topics at an early age.

My vision for the Junior Leadership Weekend is to empower young delegates to be confident in their ability to facilitate positive change in their local communities (and hopefully the world!). I want them to be aware of their influence as Australia's insightful youth and to provide them with the platform to explore their ideas with like-minded individuals.

I hope to develop the delegates' desire for change by giving them the opportunity to improve their practical skills. I am so excited to hear their insightful contributions, solutions, and ideas as we brainstorm such issues over the weekend. Young people are not the leaders of tomorrow but are the leaders of today. Junior Leadership Weekend is here to provide the tools and skills to inspire this action!



# From the Convenor

Hi there!

My name is Sarine Soghomonian, and I am the convenor of Junior Leadership Weekend 2019. I have been volunteering for UN Youth for the past year, and was previously a delegate myself at school! The programs and conferences that UN Youth organises have guided me to like-minded people who are equally as passionate about how to make a positive societal influence. It is an absolute delight to be convening JLW, as it is the only UN Youth event that is catered specifically for students in Years 7-8!



Over the weekend you will be taking part in different activities such as workshops, speaker panels and social activities, it is a jam-packed schedule so please be aware of what is happening around you and keep track of the time. If at all over the weekend you feel you need to take a break, please let a facilitator and welfare officer know so we can take care of you!

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Your JLW Convenor,  
Sarine Soghomonian



# Key Info

When: Saturday 7th September - Sunday 8th  
September 2019

Where: Sydney Academy of Sport and  
Recreation (Narrabeen)

When you arrive at Sydney Academy  
Follow the signage and drive up the dorm  
accommodation, where registration will occur.

Who: Students in years 7 - 8.

Cost: \$160 per student.

(If cost is a barrier to you attending the event,  
subsidies are available -  
[unyouth.wufoo.com/forms/mrty37c15eyvuv/](http://unyouth.wufoo.com/forms/mrty37c15eyvuv/))

**[unyouth.org.au/event/jlw](http://unyouth.org.au/event/jlw)**





# What to Bring

## NECESSESSITIES

Sleeping bag or doona and sheets (no linen is provided by the venue)

Pillowcase

General toiletries (i.e. deodorant, shampoo/conditioners, brush, toothbrush, toothpaste etc)

Towel

Sunscreen and hat

Water bottle

Medication (if applicable)

## CLOTHING

Saturday and Sunday: casual, comfortable clothing

Saturday night: costume for disco (Space theme)

Sleepwear

**DISCLAIMER: If you bring electronic devices, jewellery, money or other valuables, it will be AT YOUR OWN RISK. UN Youth NSW will not be held liable for any lost, damaged or stolen items.**

**DO NOT BRING: Any nuts or nut based foods, alcohol or drugs (regardless of age), or cigarettes.**

**All UN Youth events are alcohol and drug free. Having these items in your possession directly contravenes the Federal Welfare Policy, which will be strictly enforced at this event. Please do not bring these items to the conference. We take a very hard stance towards those who break the Australian law or UN Youth bylaws. As such, if you are found in possession of any alcohol or drugs on site, you may be sent home without your registration being refunded to you.**



# 'Out of this World!'

JLW's 2019 disco theme is "Out of This World!" So don't forget to bring your sparkles and aliens, because we know that you're going to have a blast!

\*rocket emoji with stars\*



# Itinerary

## **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

9:00 - 9:30	<b>REGISTRATION AND ICEBREAKERS</b>
9:30 - 10:00	<b>OPENING OF CONFERENCE</b>
10:00 - 11:15	<b>THEME WORKSHOP 1</b>
11:15 - 11:45	<b>MORNING TEA</b>
11:45 - 13:00	<b>THEME WORKSHOP 2</b>
13:00 - 14:00	<b>LUNCH AND GAMES</b>
14:00 - 15:15	<b>SKILLS WORKSHOP 1</b>
15:15 - 15:45	<b>SKILLS/ NGO WORKSHOP VISITS</b>
15:45 - 16:15	<b>AFTERNOON TEA/ GAMES</b>
16:15 - 17:00	<b>THEME SPEAKER PANEL</b>
17:00 - 18:30	<b>STRUCTURED FUN</b>
18:30 - 19:30	<b>DINNER</b>
19:30 - 20:30	<b>TRIVIA</b>
20:30 - 21:30	<b>DISCO</b>
21:30 - 22:00	<b>BED</b>

## **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

8:00 - 9:00	<b>BREAKFAST</b>
9:00 - 10:15	<b>THEME WORKSHOP 3</b>
10:15 - 10:45	<b>MORNING TEA</b>
10:45 - 11:11	<b>SKILLS WORKSHOP 2 - NGO VISIT</b>
11:15 - 11:30	<b>TRANSITION</b>
11:30 - 12:45	<b>YOUTH CHANGE SESSION 1</b>
12:45 - 13:45	<b>LUNCH AND GAMES</b>
13:45 - 15:00	<b>YOUTH CHANGE SESSION 2</b>
15:00 - 15:15	<b>AFTERNOON TEA</b>
15:15 - 16:45	<b>PITCH PRESENTATIONS</b>
16:45 - 17:15	<b>CLOSING OF CONFERENCE</b>
17:15	<b>PICK UP</b>