

World Affairs Council of Connecticut Announces Connecticut Global Student Leadership Award

The World Affairs Council of Connecticut is pleased to announce its fifth annual Global Student Leadership Award. This award was established in 2015 to reward students who have been expanding their worldviews as they prepare to enter the global workforce. In 2019, this award honored 9 seniors from high schools around the state. These outstanding scholars had excelled in globally focused curricula, engaged in extracurricular activities with international themes, and developed skills conducive to careers related to global affairs, such as negotiation, cultural and civic awareness, and the ability to engage in a diverse environment. We know that there are many deserving candidates among graduating seniors this year so we urge you designate ***one member of your graduating class*** to receive the Global Student Leadership Award from the World Affairs Council of Connecticut.

Please review the enclosed guidelines below. Complete and return the attached form by **Friday, May15, 2020** to the World Affairs Council of Connecticut. If you have any questions, please address them with Ms. Nicole Struth via email nstruth@ctwac.org or by phone at 860-241-6118.

The World Affairs Council of Connecticut (WACCT) engages the Greater Hartford community in global issues and promotes greater understanding of the world. Established in 1924, WACCT is a nonpartisan organization that networks with its 100 fellow councils across the United States, which together comprise the largest global affairs nonprofit organization in the country. Our programs, such as the Global Discussion Series, Executive Forums, business luncheons, and roundtables, feature some of the world's most distinguished speakers and help the community navigate the global landscape. Our flagship Model United Nations program, started in 1952, reaches over 900 Connecticut high school students per year and our educational outreach provides workshops for students, teacher trips abroad, and global curriculum development.

Sincerely yours,



Nicole Struth
Education and Special Projects Director



Megan Torrey
Chief Executive Officer

2020 Global Student Leadership Award

Guidelines for Selection

- Enrollment in courses related to or incorporating international relations, cultural studies (art, music, literature, etc.), comparative politics, interdisciplinary studies, and world languages. Completion of honors and AP-level work in these classes should also be taken into account.
- Study abroad or demonstrated interest in studying or volunteering abroad in college or beyond
- Active participation in an event, club, organization, or committee that focuses on global awareness, cultural relations, and civic engagement. Examples include, but are not limited to,
 - Model UN, Habitat for Humanity, diversity fairs/celebrations, or other local youth organization chapters with internationally focused community projects
- Independent efforts to raise attention about global concerns and cultural awareness in the community at large by, for example,
 - hosting international visitors
 - fund-raising for international causes
 - volunteering in relief services or mission trips within the home community or abroad.
- Promise in developing skills and traits applicable to studies and careers in global affairs or the U.S. foreign service, such as
 - effective negotiating and decision-making
 - empathy, altruism, compassion, motivation, adaptability, and integrity
 - cultural awareness and an understanding of global issues.
- Expressed interest in focusing higher education studies on international relations, comparative politics, world languages, geography, linguistics, anthropology, international development, global health, cultural studies, or another field leading to a globally focused career.

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Connecticut Global Student Leadership Award Form

Nomination Form

The World Affairs Council of Connecticut is delighted that you have selected an aspiring international scholar to receive the World Affairs Council Global Student Leadership Award from your senior class. Please complete this form so that we may congratulate your student for being awarded this distinct honor. Send back to Nstruth@ctwac.org by **Friday May 15**.

Nominee Information

Name of GSLA Nominee:

Address:

Town: Zip Code:

Email:

Name of High School:

Name of College or University attending in the fall:

GSLA Contact/Coordinator Information

Name of GSLA Contact/Coordinator at High School:

Email for GSLA Contact/Coordinator at High School:

Mailing address for certificate:

Date of Ceremony (MM/DD/YYYY):

Location:

Presenter Information

Who will present the Award to the student?

Please give us a brief description that demonstrates why this student is receiving this award.