

**WYA Director of Advocacy***Job Description***Position Overview:**

As the Director of Advocacy at World Youth Alliance (WYA), you will play a pivotal role in advancing the organization's global mission. Reporting directly to the President of WYA and the WYA Policy and Research Specialist, you will be responsible for designing, developing, and executing WYA's annual strategic and operational plan for advocacy. This position involves collaboration with key stakeholders, representation at international forums, and fostering diplomatic relationships to promote WYA's core values.

Responsibilities:

- Collaborate with the design, development and execution of WYA's annual strategic and operational plan for advocacy.
- Monitor and impact the relevant UN and other international body meetings by representing WYA, submitting written and oral statements, training and engaging WYA members to participate in, and attend meetings.
- Establish, cultivate, and manage a network of friendly relationships with United Nations diplomats, collaborators, and partnerships with appropriate NGOs.
- Coordinate and contribute to local and regional responses through our global membership, and support member activities aligned with and advancing WYA priorities.
- Identify opportunities to present and integrate additional opportunities to advance WYA's core program and policy priorities
- Manage and collaborate on all other advocacy and mission-related activities as they emerge.

Requirements:

You should possess an undergraduate education, exceptional organizational and leadership skills, and have completed WYA foundational and advocacy training. Strong communication and networking abilities are essential, along with the capability to effectively train and mentor team members. The successful candidate will be a self-starter, and able to work independently to accomplish significant projects within complex systems. Candidates must be U.S. citizens or possess US employment authorization. This role offers a unique opportunity to contribute to WYA's policy work.