

DATES: April 3 – 13, 2020

COST: \$1,075 (covers lodging and meals while in Rome). The cost does not cover airfare or pocket spending money.

APPLICATION INFORMATION:

- Application deadline: **February 2, 2020**
- Written submissions deadline: **March 6, 2020**
- Apply online at ysi.org/univ
- A **\$200** deposit is due at the time of application. Full payment is due by **March 19, 2020**. Payments should be made online at ysi.org.



Next Generation Leaders



2020

53rd Annual
International
University Congress

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WHAT IS UNIV?

The annual UNIV Congress brings together thousands of students from around the world for Holy Week in Rome. UNIV offers participants a variety of academic, cultural, and spiritual activities as well as the chance to see the sites in Rome. Through lectures, discussions, and visits to historical sites, students are exposed to the lives and ideas of the great men and women who have lived in Rome, past and present.

2020: NEXT GENERATION LEADERS

A highlight of the week is the academic conference that gathers students from over 40 countries to discuss fundamental issues facing humanity today. It offers a unique academic and cultural experience for those who wish to reflect on significant world issues in an international setting.

The main sessions of the conference take place on Tuesday, April 7, from 10:30 a.m.– 6:30 p.m., at the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross (located one block north of Piazza Navona). The theme for this year's conference is "Next Generation Leaders." For more information, visit univforum.org.

PARTICIPATION IN THE CONFERENCE

Students can participate in the conference in two ways. First, they can attend any lecture or presentation or join the discussion in any of the many seminars. Secondly, students can participate more formally in the conference by giving a paper on some aspect of the 2020 theme, "Next Generation Leaders."

Written work must be submitted by **March 6, 2020**. See ysi.org/univ for more details. Partial scholarships are awarded to students whose papers are accepted by the conference.

UNIV SPONSORS

UNIV is sponsored by the Institute for University Cooperation (Istituto per la Cooperazione Universitaria —ICU). Founded in 1966 to foster cultural, scientific, and educational exchanges worldwide, ICU annually brings together university students, educators, and leading professionals to discuss important issues of the day. The U.S. trip to UNIV is organized and sponsored by Youth Service International, Inc (YSI).

The Christian orientation of YSI programs is entrusted to Opus Dei, a personal Prelature of the Catholic Church (opusdei.org).

SEEING ROME

The U.S. group will leave for Rome on Friday, April 3, and return on Monday, April 13. A number of days will be spent seeing the historical and cultural sites of Rome. The group will also participate in many of the Holy Week services and activities taking place in Rome during those days. Traditionally, the group attends an audience with Pope Francis and a get-together with the Prelate of Opus Dei, Msgr. Fernando Ocáriz.

Some of the sites to be visited:

- Roman Forum
- Colosseum
- St. Peter's Basilica (and other major basilicas)
- Vatican Museum
- Piazza Navona
- Piazza del Popolo
- Piazza di Spagna
- Scavi (subject to ticket availability)
- Pantheon
- Major churches in Rome

