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*of Philadelphia*



# UNITED NATIONS SUMMER CAMP

→ ACCESS TO CLEAN WATER FOR ALL

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# OUR EDUCATIONAL LEGACY



Fueling the region's future leaders, the Council offers students — ages 11 and up — educational experiences, in-school curriculum, and diverse programming to create citizen diplomats and international problem solvers.

The Council is a leader in educational international affairs programming, providing content and curriculum to 100 schools and serving 3,000 students in the region annually. It has served over one million students since 1949.

The educational mission of the Council is important because the 21st Century leader must have global fluency, an understanding of the countries and cultures that do business with us here, and an understanding of how foreign affairs affect Philadelphia.

# EDUCATION STAFF



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# ABOUT THE PROGRAM



The 2023 United Nations Summer Camp: Sustainable Development Goals in Action: Clean Water for All, is a weeklong summer camp for middle school students interested in learning about global affairs through the work of the United Nations.

The program will give students an opportunity to participate in interactive expert briefings, games, and activities, while honing key skills and collaborating with their peers along the way. Participants will step into the shoes of diplomats as they work together to study the Sustainable Development Goals, learn public speaking tips and strategies, and make new friends while having fun! Students will work together on SDG Action Projects, empowering them with the tools necessary to be agents of change in their schools and local communities. The program will end with a full-day field trip to New York City to tour the United Nations Headquarters and participate in UN Agency briefings tailored to the program topic.

# PROGRAM AGENDA

## DAY 1: MONDAY

Introductions to Staff, Students, and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's)

## DAY 2: TUESDAY

SDG 6 Around the World

## DAY 3: WEDNESDAY

SDG 6 in Action

## DAY 4: THURSDAY

United Nations Headquarters Field Trip



## PROGRAM RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS

Students should review the Pre-Program Resource Guide, including program-day specific resources, in order to fully participate in the week's activities.



# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 6



The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are the world's greatest attempt to reduce inequalities, create a thriving and sustainable planet, and help those of us in need. Many of the issues confronting humanity, (poverty, pollution, and gender inequality to name a few) are global issues, and therefore may seem large and complicated. This year's United Nations Summer Camp will focus specifically on SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation for All. Students will learn how access to clean water, or lack thereof, impacts the everyday lives of people around the world, and will create SDG 6 campaigns focused on a water-related topic of their choosing.

## EXPERT SPEAKER



### **Ambassador Sergiy Kyslytsya**

Permanent Representative of  
Ukraine to the United Nations

Sergiy Kyslytsya is the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations. Before his latest appointment, Mr. Kyslytsya was his country's Deputy Foreign Minister since 2014. He was previously Director-General for International Organizations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs beginning in 2006 until 2014 and Deputy Director-General of the Ministry's Second Territorial Department (Americas and Western Europe) in 2006.

## EXPERT SPEAKER



**John Catalano**

ESG Manager, Essential Utilities Inc.

John Catalano is Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Manager at Essential Utilities, which provides water, wastewater, and gas utility service across several states. In his role, John is primarily responsible for reporting on sustainability and helping the company fulfill its related ESG commitments. Prior to joining Essential in 2020, John worked in finance and accounting as a certified public accountant. He holds a Master's in Business Administration, concentrating in sustainability, and is currently pursuing a Master's in Energy Policy and Climate Change.



# ABOUT JR. MODEL UNITED NATIONS



Jr. Model United Nations - Student Diplomat Program is a five-month journey (January to May) that introduces over 750 middle school students from the Greater Philadelphia area to international affairs and cultural diplomacy. With an emphasis on developing students' research, writing, cultural competency, and communication skills, the program helps meet the growing demand for global affairs curricula in local middle schools.

The program offers students an exciting opportunity to examine global conflicts and trends while working together to create promising solutions to some of the world's greatest challenges.

To find out how you or your school can get involved with Jr. Model United Nations, contact Kate Whitman Kamara, Director of Education, Middle School Programs at (215) 561-4700 x 216 or [kkamara@wacphila.org](mailto:kkamara@wacphila.org).



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