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GLOBAL STUDENT LEADERS SUMMIT

EXPLORING HUMAN RIGHTS

HISTORY AND DEMOCRACY IN BELGIUM AND THE NETHERLANDS

June 19–27

Peace Palace

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Your teacher has partnered with EF because of our unmatched experience and worldwide presence, as well as our commitment to providing students with life-changing travel opportunities that are immersive and affordable.

For 50 years, we've worked with educators across the globe to help millions of people become citizens of the world by breaking down barriers of language, culture and geography.

Affordable

We always offer the guaranteed lowest prices so more students have the opportunity to travel and experience the world.

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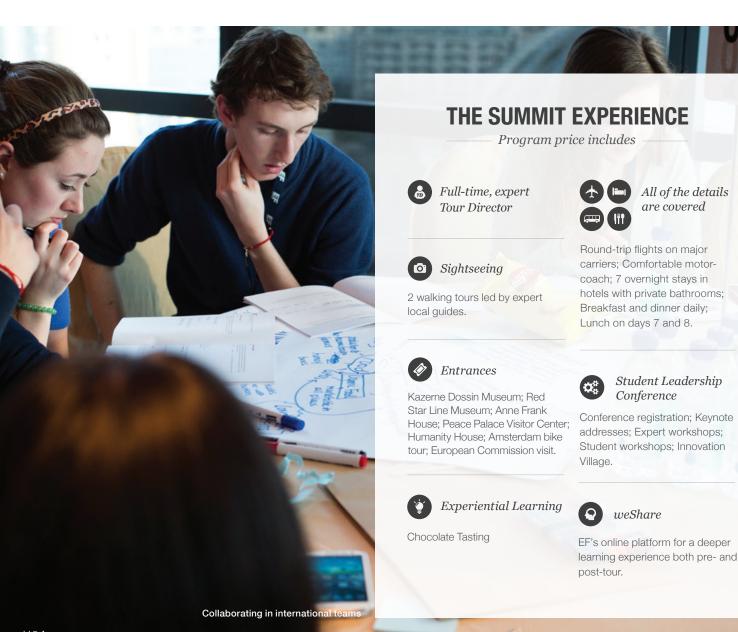
We're fully accredited, just like your school, so you can earn high school and even college credit while on tour.

Safety

We're committed to your safety. With 500 schools and offices in over 50 countries, local EF staff can react quickly and in person wherever you travel.

Insight

We believe in experiential learning at the most important sites. Your Tour Director is with you at every step, providing their own perspective and local tips.



BE PART OF THE SOLUTION

"To deny people their human rights is to challenge their very humanity." – NELSON MANDELA

What do you consider your human rights to be? The right to an education? The right to individuality? Freedom from discrimination? When people treat each other with dignity and respect, human rights become second nature. But when people are denied basic and fundamental freedoms, what is our responsibility? How can we create the condition for peace through mutual respect and understanding?

These are the questions we will examine at our 2016 Global Student Leaders Summit, Exploring Human Rights, in The Hague, Netherlands. This extraordinary event combines an educational tour and two-day leadership conference in The Hague, the "International City of Peace and Justice." You will learn from world-renowned experts and work together with peers from the United States and Europe to design and present your own solution to human rights issues.

What to expect on your Summit

1

Immersive Travel

Your tour of Brussels, Amsterdam and The Hague brings the Human Rights theme to life as you gain knowledge and hands-on experience through culturally immersive activities.

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Thought Leadership

World-renowned speakers and human rights experts lead discussions and workshops to inspire and educate you. Past speakers have included Al Gore, Jane Goodall and Sir Ken Robinson. Keynote speakers for the 2016 Europe Summit will be announced in the fall of 2015.

3

Design Thinking

Working in small international teams, you will learn the design thinking process—a creative problem-solving technique used by companies like Apple and Google—and then use it to propose your own solutions to today's human rights challenges.

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Online Learning

weShare, our online learning platform, gives you a place to research, reflect and share how you plan to impact local change as part of your final project. You can even earn high school credit.









HISTORY AND DEMOCRACY IN BELGIUM AND THE NETHERLANDS

Highlights of what you'll experience on your 9-day tour to Brussels, Amsterdam and The Hague:



LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Discover local solutions through expert-led workshops and collaboration in small international teams.



ANNE FRANK HOUSE

See where a young girl refused to lose hope in the face of Nazi persecution, and where she penned a diary that forever inspires.



Explore the executive body of the European Union, and learn about the political work that takes place in this branch of government.

Itinerary June 19-27, 2016

Days 1-2: Brussels

Fly overnight to Brussels and meet your Tour Director at the airport. Begin your exploration of Belgium's capital on a walking tour. Since World War II, Brussels has become a hub of many international organizations, most notably the European Union and NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization).

Explore Brussels through its bande-desinées, cartoon sketches that have become a prominent form of social and political expression in Belgium and across the EU. Then see for yourself why Belgium is worldrenowned for its chocolate at a fair-trade chocolate tasting. As you sample the confections, you'll learn how the fair-trade movement is helping farmers and craftsmen in over 70 countries earn fair wages, improve safety conditions and earn extra money to invest in their communities.

Day 3: Brussels

Visit the European Commission, the executive body of the European Union, and learn about how the EU actively promotes and defends human rights.

This afternoon, head north of Brussels to the town of Mechelen, where you'll visit the Kazerne Dossin, a Holocaust museum and memorial. The museum is built on the site of a German assembly camp, where Jews and Gypsies were gathered before being taken to Nazi concentration camps. The memorial provides a space to reflect on the persecution and genocide that resulted in one of the darkest chapters in history, and how a united global effort works to prevent similar atrocities today.

Day 4: Antwerp / The Hague Travel to Antwerp and bear witness to the many faces of emigrants at the Red Star Line Museum. From 1873-1935, the Red Star Line shipping company transported nearly 3 million people from Antwerp to America and Canada. The museum, housed inside the historic sheds where the Red Line ships were built, tells the stories of those emigrants—some who were dreaming of a better life and some who were fleeing oppressors. Consider other

moments in history where people have crossed borders in search of a better life. Explore Antwerp during your free time before traveling to The Hague.

Day 5: The Hague

Get acquainted with The Hague today and learn why it's the "City of International Peace and Justice." You'll visit the 19th century Peace Palace, a symbol of the global peace movement and home to the International Court of Justice and the permanent court of arbitration.

You'll also explore the Humanity House, a museum established by the Red Cross to increase understanding and awareness of humanitarian issues. Creative exhibits allow you to explore human rights issues, reflect on your own personal freedoms and consider ways you contribute to a life of peace and free will.

Day 6: The Hague / Amsterdam Take a day trip to Amsterdam, the Capital of the Netherlands and visit the Anne Frank House. Step inside the 500-square-foot secret annex where young Anne and her family hid from

Nazi occupiers for more than two years, until their capture in 1944. The diary she kept while in hiding, "The Diary of a Young Girl," has been published in more than 60 languages around the world, a vivid reminder of Jewish persecution.

Days 7-8: The Hague The leadership conference

begins as you connect with students from all over the world in this inspiring and innovative setting. Over the course of two days you will hear from worldrenowned keynote speakers, work with local and global experts, and collaborate with peers in small international teams. You will learn the design thinking process to develop solutions to today's human rights challenges and be inspired to take action back home.

Day 9: Depart for home

Return home, prepared to be part of the solution.