

Want to be a leader in GA Youth Caucus? Want to go to GA 2010 for free?

Apply for GA Youth Caucus Staff and Program Facilitator Positions!

Staff Positions Available for YOUTH:

Worship & Spirituality
Coordinator

Chaplains

Program Facilitator Positions for YOUTH and ADULTS (18+):

Commit 2 Community
Program Facilitators

AR/AO/MC & Identity
Group Facilitators

Staff Positions Available for ADULTS:

Ages 18+

Logistics Coordinator

Ages 25+

Chaplain

Adult Advisors

You can find job
descriptions at
www.uua.org/youth.

If you're looking for an opportunity to strengthen your leadership skills, participate in the shaping of Youth Caucus programming, support and empower youth, and have a great time at GA, the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries and the Youth Caucus co-Deans invite you to apply!

GA Youth Caucus is a gathering of youth during General Assembly in June where youth can discuss, learn, share, grow and take part in the larger business of GA. Youth Caucus staff and program facilitators provide support, workshops, discussion groups and worship opportunities for all those gathered, with a special focus on youth.

The following pages will detail the roles, responsibilities and needed skills for each position, as well the application process.

Applications are due by January 15th and should be sent to jgiacoia@uua.org or

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To apply, please provide the following information at the top of your application:

Name
Address
Phone
Email Address
Date of Birth (if under 25)
Year in School (if applicable)

In keeping with our commitment to diversity and multiculturalism, please also list the identities you claim (e.g. gender identity, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, ability).

Additionally, please provide the contact information for a Minister, Director of Religious Education, or adult lay leader who can serve as a reference.

Please also answer the following questions. Check the individual job descriptions for suggestions of the kind of information to include.

1. Why are you applying for this position? What skills, experiences and/or training to you have that would make you an ideal applicant? Please answer this question for each of the positions you are applying for individually.
2. How have you been involved in Unitarian Universalism? (For example, in your congregation? Districts? Camps? Other leadership opportunities?)
3. Describe a situation where you had to work with a team. What was your role within the team? What did you do well? What would you have changed or improved upon?
4. Describe any experiences you have had with anti-oppression, anti-racism and/or multiculturalism. Please tell us what you learned from that experience and what the concepts of anti-oppression, anti-racism and multiculturalism mean to you. If these terms are new to you, please tell us about any experience you may have had with diversity and/or fighting oppression. If you are applying for an Identity Group facilitator position, please include how you think this experience will aid you in your workshop and small group facilitation.
5. What does youth empowerment mean to you?
6. Adults only: What do you believe the role of adults is in youth caucus at General Assembly? As an adult staff member or program facilitator, how would you see yourself working with youth at GA?

Positions Available

Positions listed for youth are for youth currently in grades 9-12 or the equivalent for home-schooled youth.

Positions listed for adults may be for those 18+ (and out of high school) or those who are 25+; please check the position description.

Staff

Youth Caucus staff attends both pre-site April 9-11, and GA June 22-28. Applicants should be able to commit to these dates. All positions will be expected to be in communication with the rest of the staff, the HUUPERS, and the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries regularly.

Worship/Spirituality Coordinator -- 1 youth – 2 year position (GA 2010 and 2011)

The worship coordinator serves for two years, working with another coordinator to plan and lead nightly worships for the Youth Caucus. The coordinators also work with the Young Adult Caucus, volunteers, and the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries to plan the Multigenerational Worship and Bridging Ceremony (Synergy). The coordinators will also work with the Young Adult Caucus chaplain to plan an additional youth and young adult led worship.

Successful applicants will be organized, motivated and timely. Worship coordinators need to meet strict deadlines. Applicants should be excited about youth worship and be able to generate ideas for various settings. Experience with leading worship should be noted on your application.

It is helpful if the worship coordinator has an understanding of cultural misappropriation and, if not, is willing to learn about misappropriation in a worship context. Please explain your understanding and experience with this concept in your application.

Logistics Coordinator – 1 adult (18+) – 1 year position

The logistics coordinator works with the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries to create a listing of food and entertainment options in the area of GA. This staff person also carries the petty cash and makes supply runs for the Youth Caucus staff.

The person must live in or near the city in which GA is being held, know the area well to be able to create the food and entertainment listings, as well as locate needed supplies. This person should be very organized and good with money. This person must have access to a car during GA.

Chaplains – 2 youth, 1 adult (25+) – 1 year position

Youth Caucus chaplains work as a team to provide support and a listening ear for issues that may come up during GA. Chaplains are ‘on-call’ during certain periods of time with the Chaplain cell phone and also hold daily Chaplain team meetings. The adult Chaplain serves as a support for the youth chaplains in addition to the other Chaplain duties.

Chaplains should be excellent listeners and comfortable with one-on-one situations. Counseling, mediation or previous Chaplain experience or training should be noted on your application.

Advisor / Sponsor Coordinator – 2 adults (25+) – 1 year position

In an advisor capacity, these staff members support youth caucus activities and youth caucus staff members as needed and provide an adult presence during youth caucus activities. These staff members also help maintain the safety of youth space. These duties are worked out and shared with the staff of the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries.

As sponsor coordinators, these staff members also write letters to adult sponsors describing their role at GA and to youth explaining sponsorship. They co-lead the mandatory sponsor orientation with a youth member of the youth caucus staff and are available to sponsors to answer questions or listen to concerns. Advisor/Sponsor Coordinators also assist sponsors in an emergency and share on-call duties.

Program Facilitator Positions

Program facilitators attend GA June 22-28 and work together with the HUUPERs and the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries via e-mail and conference call to plan their programs.

Commit 2 Community Facilitators – 1 youth, 1 adult – 1 year position

Commit 2 Community is a program run in GA Youth Caucus dealing with substance non-use, use and addiction. The multigenerational facilitation team works together to develop a workshop for attendees to open a dialog about substance non-use, use and addiction. In addition to the workshop, the team will coordinate and facilitate one or more “Inside Out” groups, which are small group ministry style conversations.

Facilitators should have relevant training and/or experience with small group facilitation and workshop presentation. Please detail this experience in your application.

Additionally, it is helpful and preferred if applicants have experience specifically regarding substance non-use, use, addiction and recovery. For adults, this may be personal or professional experience. For youth, this may take the form of participation in

Commit 2 Community and Inside Out groups in previous years at GA. Please note any relevant experience on your application.

Ministers are especially encouraged to apply.

AR/AO/MC and ID Group Facilitators –youth and adults 18+ (four total) – 1 year position

These facilitators will work together to plan and provide two 75-minute workshops on anti-racism, anti-oppression and multiculturalism for Youth Caucus attendees. Additionally, they will facilitate two ID group / ID caucus sessions.

Applicants should have an analysis of anti-racism and of their own racial identity within Unitarian Universalism. They should possess excellent listening and facilitation skills and be comfortable talking about race and racism. Applicants should note whether they have related training or facilitation experience in their applications.