

# YOUTH LEADERS FOR CLIMATE RESTORATION



## ABOUT

*The Foundation For Climate Restoration's Youth Leaders for Climate Restoration program follows a train-the-trainer model to prepare youth leaders to learn, speak, and teach about climate restoration. Upon completion of this 13-week program, participants are eligible for the title of Certified Climate Restoration Advocate.*

*In addition to quality training, large speaking platforms, and opportunities to teach their peers, our youth also have access to distinguished internships and award opportunities to pursue their specific climate activism passions. Participation in this distinctive program also provides our youth with a competitive edge in job and college applications.*

## DETAILED INFORMATION

### APPLICATIONS

Applications to the Youth Leaders for Climate Restoration Program are reviewed year-round. Once accepted into the program, participants receive a welcome email where they verify their participation in the program. From there, each person who confirms their participation in the program is placed in the next cohort with peers and mentors of similar age.

### PROGRAM COMPONENTS

**The program is composed of 3 sections that will last a total of 3 months:**

#### **Section 1: Learning About Climate Restoration and Speaking Practice**

Participants learn from qualified peers who have passed the competencies set out by the Foundation. From their mentors, participants learn:

- **What climate activism is.**
- **The three branches of climate action (mitigation, adaptation, restoration).**
- **What climate restoration is.**
- **The Foundation for Climate Restoration's strategy to establish climate restoration as a priority worldwide and to implement climate restorative technologies.**
- **The current amount of carbon in the air and the carbon levels required to safely sustain life.**
- **The strategy and cost of climate restoration.**
- **The benefits of climate restoration.**
- **Why climate restoration is personally meaningful to their peers.**
- **How to speak about climate restoration to different audiences.**
- **General speaking practices.**

Throughout this session, participants also complete outside research to expand their comprehension of climate activism and restoration.

## Section 2: Formal Speaking Practice

Participants give a formal climate restoration presentation to a member of the F4CR staff. If the presentation does not meet the evaluation criteria, the participant is given constructive feedback and can redo the presentation until they pass their evaluation. Once the participant satisfies all of the criteria, they become mentors for the next cohort. Upon becoming mentors, F4CR provides them with documents describing mentor expectations. In order to further develop their speaking skills and research regarding climate action and climate restoration, participants prepare and host a webinar as part of the YL4CR World Tour Series. In these public events, participants describe how climate change has impacted a specific country and how climate restoration can help reverse those impacts.



## Section 3: Leadership, Mentorship, and Citizenship

During this section, participants are required to complete 6 community service hours. Participants also make a video about climate restoration. Selected videos are featured on the Foundation's website and promoted via the Foundation's social media channels. Participants are expected to display leadership through webinars or creative methods of expression (via social media, photography, graphic design, journalism, public speaking, and more) as they complete a leadership project.

### CERTIFICATION TITLES

After completing the three sections of the program outlined above, the participant will be eligible for an official title: Certified Climate Restoration Advocate.

### AWARDS, INTERNSHIPS, AND OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Participants that have shown exceptional dedication to climate restoration activism (have done additional seminars, community service, leadership, and similar tasks) are considered for a generous financial award. Awards are presented at an annual reception, which will remain virtual during COVID. Moreover, exceptional participants are offered internships to work for the Foundation on a variety of topics (public policy, media and journalism, business, and STEM). Our program partners may also offer internships and other opportunities to our exceptional students.

### OTHER PROGRAM BENEFITS

Program graduates can use their "Certified Climate Restoration Advocate" title in applications for scholarships, awards, internships, and job opportunities. Participants are welcome to attend the reception at the end of each year to network with our partners. Partners are invited to the reception to witness the program's progress first-hand, donate, and invest for the program to grow in the next year.

### HOW TO APPLY

To apply, fill out the form, [here](#). For more information or to ask any questions, visit [f4cr.org](https://f4cr.org) or email [yl4cr@f4cr.org](mailto:yl4cr@f4cr.org).

