

What You'll Learn at a URJ Teen Leadership Opportunity

In any URJ teen leadership opportunity, you'll gain valuable skills for doing the work that matters most. Whether it's how to songlead in front of a room, run a Jewish non-profit, or community organizing and advocating for justice, you'll work with experts to learn the skills you need to succeed. However, leading in this movement gives you more than job skills for the future. With the help of mentors and friends, you'll develop core practices of leadership that will help you no matter where you lead – your local community, the college classroom, or the world.

Embracing Constructive Conflict

Judaism has great wisdom on how to disagree and find commonalities among diverse views. With the URJ, you'll learn how to create environments where issues are debated without attacking individuals and people are self-reflective, curious about other views, and open to multiple "truths."

Valuing Every Voice

Strong leaders know that every voice matters and that they need partners in the work. Explore how to build a diverse, inclusive team that celebrates the unique contribution each person can make.

Applying Jewish Wisdom and Creating Meaning in Jewish Practice

No matter where we find ourselves leading, Jewish wisdom and practice can be a source of strength and resilience. Uncover how Jewish tradition can support you, and how you can help other members of the Jewish community connect and find meaning and purpose.



Outreach

Being a leader means communicating your vision in a way that draws others in. Uncover your own ability to explain what you value, and bring in others who are not yet in the room.

Creativity

The world today needs creative leaders who have the courage and empathy to see different perspectives and craft new and original ideas. In URJ leadership opportunities, you'll learn strategies for creative thinking and have the opportunity to build new programs and experiences for others.

A "Reforming" Perspective

Our world needs change agents who understand that transition and "reforming" are a regular part of life and can hold a dynamic tension between what was and what will be. Explore how to navigate these complicated times for yourself and those you partner with.

