



# Summer Academy on Human Rights (2-week trip to Germany and 2 weeks in the U.S.)

**WANTED:** Local youth council members and young leaders from Pennsylvania and D.C.

The [German-American Institute Tuebingen](#) is now accepting applications for:

## **Ambassadors in Sneakers 2020 – A Young Leaders' Transatlantic Summer Academy on Human Rights**

- In what ways are societies in America and Germany currently changing?
- How do young people in both countries engage socially in their communities?
- Which milestones were set by Germany and the United States in the struggle for human rights and what should be our next steps?
- How can we shape German-American relations as citizen diplomats?

**Apply now** to find answers to these and many more questions!

Participants will travel with teenagers from Germany and spend two weeks in Germany and two weeks in the U.S. They will get to know each other, but also many people, places and institutions in both countries that are important for the development and advocacy of human rights.

You will meet activists, contemporary witnesses, media representatives, contributors, and politicians and will discuss the status quo of both countries as well as opportunities to socially engage in your community.

Questions? Get in touch with us!

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# Facts:

## What is it?

- German-American youth exchange
- Focus topic: human rights
- Is conducted for the fourth time already

## When and where does it take place?

- Trip 1: Saarbrücken & Berlin (Germany)  
Sat. May 30 – Sat. June 13, 2020
- Trip 2: Reading, PA & Washington D.C. (USA)  
Sat. Aug 1 – Sat. Aug 15, 2020
- Preparatory meeting in Reading:  
TBA (on a Saturday in April 2020)

## Who can apply?

- Members of youth councils, youth advisory boards, student councils and similar youth leadership committees from Pennsylvania, Washington D.C. and Germany
- Age: 16 to 20
- 12 American and 12 German applicants will be chosen to participate

## How much is it?

- Participation fee: \$600 USD (including all flights, insurance, room and board, activities and excursions)
- Additional fundraising goal: \$500 USD per participant
- The better part of the program costs is financed by the Transatlantic Program of the Federal Republic of Germany

## How does it work?

- Fill in the application form and send it to us via email
- Application deadline: **Sunday, February 9, 2020**
- 12 German und 12 American young leaders will be chosen to participate in Ambassadors in Sneakers 2020
- All applicants will receive notification about their admission status.

## Curious?

Find pictures of 2019's Ambassadors in Sneakers program here:

[www.dai-tuebingen.de/projekte/ambassadors-in-sneakers/ambassadors-in-sneakers-2019.html](http://www.dai-tuebingen.de/projekte/ambassadors-in-sneakers/ambassadors-in-sneakers-2019.html)



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## About Us



**Ambassadors in Sneakers was founded and developed by the German-American Institute Tübingen (GAI or d.a.i.).**

**The GAI is a non-profit cultural and educational organization in Baden-Wuerttemberg that aims to improve German-American relations.**

**To this end, the GAI offers English language courses, a travel program, a library and a diverse culture program that includes talks, workshops, concerts and more.**

**The GAI cooperates with the American Embassy in Berlin, the Government of Baden-Wuerttemberg, the city of Tuebingen and a variety of German and American educational and cultural institutions.**

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