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## General

### Young Social Innovators

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<https://www.youngsocialinnovators.ie>

#### MAIN DETAILS

**Status:** Deactivated  
**Level:** Other Education  
**Date Posted:** Fri Jan 17 2020  
**Application Closing Date:** Fri Feb 14 2020  
**Commencement Date:** Mon Mar 2 2020  
**Status of Post:** Part-Time  
**Number of Vacancies:** 4

#### POST DETAILS

**Title:**

(YSI) Local Leader

**Description:**

Young Social Innovators (YSI) is a dynamic not for profit education charity.

Thousands of young people volunteer and take on the YSI Challenge each year to tackle a social issue that they feel passionately about. To support this, we provide a busy schedule of programmes for young people and educators as well as organising regional and national events every year.

With support from our funders, Tomar Trust and the Department of Education Dormant Accounts Fund, YSI is now targeting 6 regions in Ireland in Phase 1 of a new initiative which will enable increasing numbers of young people and schools, to engage in youth led social innovation in local areas. In these regions, literally thousands more young people will be supported to turn their ideas into action.

This is an exciting initiative, which promises to have real impact on both young people's education while empowering local populations to address the many challenges facing them in a fast changing world.

#### The Opportunity: A New YSI Initiative

Young Social Innovators believes that increasing the capacity of people in local areas around social innovation will help communities respond to the challenges they face. YSI is now inviting students in post-primary schools in these geographic areas to explore local social issues and build this capacity for effecting change.

This new schools initiative will enable all students in these areas to get involved, use their insights, skills, abilities and the tools or resources available to them, to engage in social innovation and respond to the challenges they face today in their local community. Students will have an opportunity to explore challenges such as the environment, mental and physical health, climate change, diversity and inclusion, accessibility, equality, and local facilities.

#### Purpose of Role

We are looking for Local Leaders, based in the targeted regions, who believe in the power of social innovation and want to contribute to making this initiative happen. The primary purpose of the role will be to identify and recruit new schools into Local Community Networks. He/she will build relationships with post-primary schools, and help support and cultivate social innovation and entrepreneurial learning opportunities into both the school and community settings. The YSI

Local Leader will develop a broad network within these areas to support the students, teachers and youth led innovative solutions and provide platforms for showcasing and recognising these at local level.

Full training to successful candidates will be provided by the YSI team at our headquarters in Dublin.

Key responsibilities (include and not limited to):

- Build relationships with post-primary schools in specific geographical areas
- Recruit new schools to become part of the Young Social Innovators (YSI) Local Community Networks
- Create a strong network of local support from principals, teachers and students in the local area
- Build awareness amongst key community-based, public, private organisations and local enterprises at regional level
- Support the delivery of the YSI programme/s in new schools
- Communicate project updates and progression (report-writing) to the YSI team

Key relationships with: CEO, Education Manager, YSI Local Leaders, YSI Learning and Practice Team; YSI Communications and Experience Team.

#### Criteria

##### Qualifications

- A recognised qualification or level 8/9 equivalent (In accordance with the National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ)) in a relevant discipline is preferred.

##### Experience and Competencies

- A minimum of three years' with demonstrable experience engaging or motivating people.
- Experience networking and/or working with educators, community groups and/or local enterprises.
- A self-starter with the ability to plan and use resources effectively to achieve specific objectives.
- Experience developing and implementing programmes relevant to the field of learning, youth and education in Ireland.
- Ability to plan and manage multiple project workflows and deadlines as per project requirements.
- Strong IT Skills including G Suite, Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook.
- Understanding and appreciation of the not for profit sector context.
- Passionate about young people's involvement in social innovation learning and entrepreneurship.
- Strong interpersonal skills including an ability to present information, communicate clearly and facilitate information/training sessions.

##### Terms and Conditions

Contract: Services Contract for 20 hours per week during term time

Young Social Innovators is committed to standards of excellence in Child Protection practices. Appointment to the role is subject to Garda Vetting.

Salary: Commensurate with experience

Location: This a remote working position in a specific geographical area and will require travel. Full clean driver's licence and access to Wi-Fi required.

How to Apply: Please send a comprehensive CV, stating your preferred geographical location together with a cover letter – outlining what you can bring to the role – to our HR department at [careers@youngsocialinnovators.ie](mailto:careers@youngsocialinnovators.ie) by 5:30pm on Wednesday, 05th February 2020. Please note: YSI is seeking people based in the target geographic locations set out above.

Young Social Innovators is committed to equal opportunities and all recruitment decisions will be based on merit, suitability for the role and experience. All recruitment decisions will not be influenced by race, colour, nationality, religion, sex, marital status, family status, sexual orientation, disability, age or membership of the Traveller Community. Young Social Innovators fully endorses a working environment free from discrimination and harassment.

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#### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- CV (Unbound/Slide Binder)

Applications may be submitted by

- Email

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