

JULIETTE LOW SEMINAR 2019

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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BASIC INFORMATION

1. What is the Juliette Low Seminar 2019?

The Juliette Low Seminar 2019 is an international leadership development programme that has two parts:

Part 1: Attend an international event for 6 and a half days with 40 – 60 of your Guiding and Scouting peers; explore ways to break gender barriers to leadership, develop your own leadership practice and create a plan to reach 100 girls in your local area – all whilst having the adventure of a lifetime.

Part 2: Use your plan to complete your leadership project once you return home, share your knowledge and make an impact.

2. What is the theme?

The focus of the event will be breaking gender barriers to leadership and becoming a change maker. This event will also give participants a sneak peek into the new WAGGGS leadership offer (that will be launched at our World Conference in 2020); we will also be exploring how people can approach leadership a bit differently and providing participants with a chance to delve into our model of leadership practice.

The theme and wording of this is still in development.

3. How is the JLS 2019 different?

The Juliette Low Seminar has been taking place since 1932. Usually the event is twice every three years and has up to 60 participants attend each time.

In 2019 we will pilot a new model that:

- Is offered once instead of twice this triennium;
- Is offered across multiple “Hub” locations at the same time, including all World Centres and up to 15 selected Member Organisations;
- Has a maximum participant capacity of 1000;
- Offers a leadership programme based on the new WAGGGS leadership model with a programme adapted to make the most of every location;
- Uses technology to create a network to connect participants and Hubs from across the world, to build a shared experience;

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4. Is offered in all WAGGGS official languages, in addition to Mandarin (Chinese) and Swahili depending on demand.

5. **What is a JLS 'hub'?**

A JLS hub is any event is approved by WAGGGS that runs the full JLS programme from the 14 - 20 November 2019. Each location will follow the same core programme, but will have elements that can be adapted to make the most of the local environment and culture.

THE HUB EVENTS

6. **How big is each hub event?**

Each location will be between 40 - 60 people, and every event will be an international experience.

7. **What is the difference between a JLS hub events host by Member Organisations and by World Centres?**

All hubs are equal parts of the Juliette Low Seminar. World Centre hubs will have some special characteristics due to their nature; an international service team, options for pre and post event World Centre experiences, and some special programme elements unique to World Centres.

PROGRAMME

8. **Is there any free time in the JLS programme?**

There will be some time in the programme for participants to explore the local community interact with local Guides and Scouts and take part in adventurous activities. You may have some evenings off, but this will vary between the different locations.

9. **Can I stay in my location after the JLS has ended?**

Some hub locations will be offering pre and post tour packages at an additional cost to allow you to experience a bit more of the local culture.

FUNDING AND FINANCE

10. **How are the programme fees calculated?**

- Each participant will pay a programme fee of approximately £600, no matter what location they are selected to attend.
 - This fee covers; meals, accommodation, programme costs.

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- This fee does not cover; return travel to the JLS from a participant's home country, VISA fees or travel insurance.

11. What funding and support options are available?

A limited amount of travel grants and programme scholarship grants will be available for some participants. Grant applications will open in early November.

VOLUNTEER ROLES

12. International facilitators; volunteers that applied to the WAGGGS Volunteer Resource Pool before 1 September 2018 will be offered the opportunity to be a JLS International Facilitator. This group will receive training centrally on the JLS programme in December 2018 at a Kusafiri event.

13. National facilitators; these facilitators will be selected at a national level and trained in the programme by the international facilitators starting in January 2019. The international and national facilitators will work together to form the programme team deliver each JLS hub event.

14. National host team (Service Team); each location will have a national volunteers team (similar to World Centre volunteers) to support the running of the programme.

APPLICATION PROCESS

15. How are participants selected?

Each participant will need to be endorsed by their National Association. Some Associations may run a national selection or application process. After candidates have been endorsed by their Association they will be invited to complete the WAGGGS application online.

16. Can participants choose what hub location they attend?

Participants will select their preferred locations, and then WAGGGS will match participants to a suitable location. Being flexible and adaptable is a part of the process. Not knowing where you may end up going is also a part of the adventure.

17. Can participants choose to attend JLS with a friend?

JLS is an opportunity to meet new people and have an international experience, so applicants will not have the option to request that they attend a JLS hub location with a friend.

18. How many people from one country will attend each event?

Each country will have at least four spaces One of the best parts of the JLS is the internationally. Each country will be able to take up a maximum of 10% of the total number of participants. However the host country will have a maximum capacity of 15%.