



# Ambassadors in Sneakers 2022 -

## A Young Leaders' Transatlantic Summer Academy on Human Rights

### What?

Ambassadors in Sneakers is a four-week educational program that brings together members of youth councils, student councils and similar young leadership committees from the U.S. and Germany. Its central focus is on the topic of human rights. Against this background, participants learn about both countries' political structures and interrelations.

While travelling together in Germany and the U.S., the young leaders learn about places and institutions significant for the development of and struggle for human rights. They meet activists, media representatives and politicians and learn from them, as well as from and with each other, to gain a broader perspective on the issues at hand. The program has already taken place to great success throughout the U.S. and Germany. The 2022 Summer Academy will travel to **Saarbrücken and Berlin** in Germany and **Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C.** in the U.S.

Please find more information here: [www.dai-tuebingen.de/projekte/ambassadors-in-sneakers.html](http://www.dai-tuebingen.de/projekte/ambassadors-in-sneakers.html)

### Why?

Ambassadors in Sneakers 2022 will

- empower politically involved young adults to become citizen diplomats for both human rights and transatlantic relations within their local communities
- give insight into German and American culture, with a particular focus on political structures
- teach intercultural skills
- contribute to the transatlantic exchange of ideas on current issues like global warming, migration, minority rights, and other issues our globalized world faces
- combine intercultural learning, politics, and fun

### When and where?

Trip 1 (Germany) to Saarbrücken and Berlin: Sat, June 4 – Sat, June 18, 2022

Trip 2 (USA) to Reading, PA, and Washington D.C.: Sat, July 30 – Sat, August 13, 2022

### Who?

Ambassadors in Sneakers is organized and carried out by the German-American Institute in Tuebingen (*Deutsch-Amerikanisches Institut Tuebingen* or *d.a.i.*), a bi-national educational and cultural organization that provides the city of Tuebingen as well as the larger surrounding region with information about cultural, social, political and economic developments in the U.S. and in Germany. The institute is supported by the state of Baden-Wuerttemberg, the German Federal Foreign Office, the city of Tuebingen, the U.S. Embassy and over 1,400 members. You can find more information about our work on our website: [www.dai-tuebingen.de](http://www.dai-tuebingen.de)

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## Pictures of Ambassadors in Sneakers 2019:



*Goethe-Institut and Obama Foundation, Chicago*



*U.S. Embassy, Berlin*



*Volunteering at the Food Gatherers, Ann Arbor*



*Weimar, Germany*

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