

Student Life Activity Leader

20% temporary position, August 2026 to June 2027

UWC Red Cross Nordic

UWC Red Cross Nordic is one of 18 United World Colleges worldwide. Our mission is to make education a force that unites people, nations and cultures for peace and a sustainable future.

We are a fully residential college for ages 16-20, set on the shores of a fjord in western Norway. Our students come from around 80 countries, speak more than 60 first languages, and are selected independently of their ability to pay. Over half study on full scholarships.

All students follow the IB Diploma Programme, alongside extra-academic and residential life programmes.

We warmly welcome applications from a wide variety of backgrounds and age groups who want to be part of making the student experience as good as it can be.

The role

UWC Red Cross Nordic is seeking an enthusiastic, creative, and community-minded Student Life Activity Leader to help bring our newly refurbished student social space to life. The person will be responsible for creating and facilitating a diverse range of fun, inclusive, and engaging activities that strengthen community, support student wellbeing, and provide opportunities for students to connect across cultures outside the classroom. The activities will be scheduled by agreement and will typically take place on two evenings per week during term time.

Key Responsibilities

- Plan, organize, and facilitate activities in the student social space during two afternoons/evenings each week.
- Develop a varied programme of events that appeals to a diverse international student body.
- Encourage student participation and ownership by involving students in planning and leading activities.
- Foster an inclusive, welcoming, and positive atmosphere where all students feel comfortable participating.
- Support opportunities for intercultural exchange, creativity, recreation, and social connection.
- Manage a modest activity budget and ensure resources are used effectively.
- Coordinate with residential staff, student leaders, and other members of the college community.
- Ensure activities are conducted in a safe and responsible manner in line with college policies.
- Gather feedback from students and adapt programming to meet evolving interests and needs.

Who we are looking for

This is an ideal position for someone who enjoys working with young people, building community, and creating memorable experiences in an international environment.

We are looking for someone who:

- Enjoys working with young people from diverse backgrounds.
- Has experience organizing events, activities, youth programmes, or community initiatives.
- Is energetic, creative, and proactive.
- Demonstrates excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- Is comfortable working independently and taking initiative.
- Can create welcoming and inclusive environments.
- Has strong organizational skills and attention to detail.

Personal Qualities

- Enthusiastic and approachable
- Creative and resourceful
- Flexible and reliable
- Inclusive and culturally sensitive
- A strong relationship-builder
- Passionate about community and student wellbeing

Desired Qualifications/Experience

- Undergraduate degree
- Experience working with young people in an educational setting
- Familiarity with Fjaler and/or UWC context

What We Offer

- The opportunity to contribute to a unique international educational community.
- A dynamic and inspiring workplace with students from around the world.
- Flexibility to develop and implement your own ideas and activities.
- The chance to play a key role in building a vibrant student culture and enhancing student life at UWC Red Cross Nordic.

If you are passionate about creating spaces where young people can connect, have fun, and build community, we would love to hear from you. Previous experience in youth work, education, student engagement, hospitality, recreation, or community development is an advantage but not essential.

Safeguarding

UWC Red Cross Nordic is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. All appointments are subject to child protection screening and satisfactory references. Training in safeguarding will be provided, and we may also require the position holder to take additional training in First Aid, mental health First Aid, and diversity, equity and inclusion.

How to apply

Please submit:

- A CV (maximum two pages)
- Contact details for at least two referees (including your current or most recent employer)
- An application letter

Please email applications to UWC Red Cross Nordic at appointments@uwrcrn.no.

Application deadline: 5th of August 2026

The College reserves the right to appoint before the closing date.

Questions about the role should be addressed to Ainhoa Orensanz at ainhoa.orensanz@uwrcrn.no