During the public health emergency of 2020, Yale Young Global Scholars will run as an online program (YYGS Connect). Participants agree to be responsible members of our online community and adhere to our rules and regulations:

1. RESPECT OTHERS

- Participants will show respect for others and not engage in any form of harassment, hazing, intimidation or bullying. This includes any behavior (emails, phone calls, texting, social media platforms, images or other non-verbal behavior of any sort, cyber-gossip, using participants’ names, etc.), intended to offend or intimidate another person, including participants and staff.
- Participants may not discriminate against anyone on the basis of the individual’s sex, race, color, religion, age, disability, national origin, or sexual orientation.
- Participants will show respect for others: disrespectful behaviors (such as lying, swearing, threatening, etc.) towards a staff member or fellow participants is not tolerated.

2. ACADEMIC HONESTY

- Participants are expected to conduct themselves with honesty and integrity. Cheating on assignments, plagiarism, or improper acknowledgment of sources will not be tolerated.
- Academic dishonesty includes all forms of misrepresentation in academic work, including any form of plagiarism, failure to acknowledge ideas or language taken from others, and the submission of work prepared by another person.
- Participants will not take content of any kind, including but not limited to papers, in whole or in part, from electronic sources online and must always acknowledge sources, including those from the Internet, and do their best to track down original authors. Plagiarism in any way will not be tolerated.

3. ONLINE LEARNING

- Participants should ensure that they have a computer with a webcam and access to a reliable Internet connection. This will allow for access to the digital platforms that will be used during the program (Canvas and Zoom) and for full student participation. Zoom will be used for synchronous lectures, seminars and group meetings under the supervision of YYGS staff. The links for all meetings will be emailed to the students prior to the start of the summer sessions. Canvas will host the program’s discussion forums and all of the preparation materials for lectures, seminars, simulations and family time.
- Participants need to check their personal email address (that was provided to the program) throughout each day to access important communications and Canvas access credentials.
- Instructors and program leaders will work with students to share guidelines around appropriate and effective video-conferencing behavior for the different components.
- It is mandatory for participants to join all components of the program in a quiet room and never using a phone or portable device while they are out and about doing something else.
- During video-conferencing, participants may be asked to “share” their screen with their group. Participants are expected to not have windows open that they wouldn’t want others to see and should stop all notifications for other messages by turning notifications to “Do Not Disturb.”
- Participants should set up a non-distracting and professional work space. When video-conferencing, they should not have personal items or background items in sight that they wouldn’t bring into a classroom. Participants will prepare their appearance and clothing for class as they would if on campus.
We recommend healthy habits for diet, exercise, hydration, hygiene, sleep, and attire, as all of these factors impact their presence in our online community. Failure to do so is grounds for dismissal.

4. ATTENDANCE

- Participants will attend required program components including lectures, seminars, and other meetings, unless they are excused by program leadership because of time zone conflicts, health or other emergency reasons. A form to request an excused absence will be provided. **Failure to attend required program components or leaving such sessions before they end without a valid reason is grounds for dismissal.**
- YYGS Connect does not permit any unexcused absences; participants must be present in every part of programming in order to receive a YYGS Connect Certificate of Participation. Given that YYGS is so condensed, every hour of hour day counts, and our staff have carefully crafted a schedule that is both cohesive and rich in content.

5. TECHNOLOGY USE AND RECORDING POLICY

- The use of smartphones, laptops, or other electronic devices for reasons outside of the curriculum including, but not limited to texting, email, games, coding, art, social media, or surfing the internet is **prohibited during program components.** Students will be asked to turn off their phones or other sources of distraction.
- Cell phones and/or any other device capable of taking photographs or recording video **may not be used to take photographs or video without the knowledge of the subject of those images** or in any manner that would violate the privacy of others.
- **Video, audio or digital recording of program sessions including lectures, briefings, seminars, discussion sessions, and presentations** are strictly forbidden and grounds for dismissal. Participants are encouraged to take notes for personal use, but recording program sessions without written permission is grounds for dismissal. This extends to material about the program, its programmatic content, handouts, and remarks – written, verbal, or recorded – that are shared by students via Canvas, Zoom, websites, blogs, and social networks.