



“THE HERITAGE YOUTH AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME”

ITIHAAS in collaboration with National Skill Development Corporation, under the Government of India.

Last date to receive applications is 14th August 2021, midnight.

The last year and a half has brought challenges in every sphere of life, be it work, education, family or social life. We at ITIHAAS too have had to reimagine and redefine our work. We have stayed connected to our schools, teachers, students and now families through Webinars, online events such as Art events, Debates and of course Anveshan.

We continue in our pursuit of engaging with young people and empowering them with knowledge of their heritage and traditions and towards this mission we bring a new programme to all our partner schools. This is in partnership with the Ministry of Skill development and Entrepreneurship, Government of India, “**THE HERITAGE YOUTH AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME**”

Programme Highlights

- A programme designed at the highest level to take young people from, an **interest** (in their city’s heritage), to a **passion**, from **bookish knowledge** to **practical knowledge**, from **hobby** to **skilled learning**.’
- Certification from the Ministry of Skill Development and ITIHAAS.
- Only 250 seats.
- A programme for ITIHAAS Schools only (across NCR).

- A programme culminating with the celebration of 75 years of India's Independence, in 2022.
- Students work and projects to be assessed by the best in the field.
- Programme has National and International recognition.
- To be a part of a book to be brought out at the end of the programme with the students' picture and profile.

The programme is a hybrid model (in keeping with the current situation of the pandemic) It has 150 hours of online classes by experts from ITIHAAS, ASI, UNESCO and World monuments fund.

- The course will run across the year.

To be a Heritage Youth Ambassador.

This is a programme which helps students to understand the Heritage Spaces in Delhi and trains them to be Heritage Youth Ambassadors. It builds pride in being an Indian and takes the students towards responsible citizenship. The students will receive a certificate and a letter of appreciation from ITIHAAS and the Ministry.

Selection process:

- The School can nominate a maximum of 20 students from grades 10, 11 and 12. The basis for this nomination will be sent to the teacher in charge. The nomination will focus more on the student's interests and skills rather than grades.
- Nominated students will be asked to submit an online form to ITIHAAS.
- This will be followed by an interview with an ITIHAAS facilitators.
- A week post their interview they will be informed of the interview outcome.
- Once selected, they will need to sign an agreement that ensures that the student will complete the course.

Course details:

- The course will run as a hybrid model, of online classes and field visits, weather and Covid protocols permitting. The field trips will be conducted individually or with 2/3 students. Families are welcome. Taking friends along is the prerogative of the parents.
- There will be project work, which will include, oral / telephonic interviews, audio guide creation for various world heritage sites and photography wherever possible. All Project work will be done at home, and submitted to ITIHAAS as per submission deadlines.
- Lectures with the best in the field will allow students to explore the possibility of careers in this line. The course will allow for exposure to guest lecturers from across the world and India.
- Students will always work under supervision and will be guided by ITIHAAS mentors.
- They will be taught how to conduct online interviews, build relationships with guests, how to study a historical space, from where to draw information, how to research and much more.
- They will be equipped with relevant information on any one historical period from those offered in the course. An in-depth study of the same will be undertaken by the students. For eg. If a student selects the Mughal period in Delhi, they will study, in detail, the Red Fort, the city of Shahjehanabad; its architecture, its people, the rulers, lifestyles etc.
- The students will be skilled to take visitors to any of these sites and eligible to work as ITIHAAS walk directors. They will learn public speaking, elements of theatre, voice modulation, presentation and organization of logistics at a site. Most work will be online, but there will be periodical practical training keeping with the Covid protocol at that time.

Assessments:

- There will be mid-term assessments done by ITIHAAS and a final assessment done by external representatives.

- The assessments will include short answer questions, long answer questions, MCQ, all project work done as well as a practical element.

As this is a very highly valued government programme under the celebrations to mark 75 years of India Independence in August 2022, selected students may be asked to take VIP guests on tours across their area of training. Hence it is not designed as a text book programme but an on-field skilling.

The School may treat this as a mandatory assessed project or as a skill building, independent learning option.

The scheme is currently open to students from class X, XI and XII. In its first phase only 250 students across all schools of the NCR can be enrolled. The school is more than welcome to have their teachers involved.

The students must fill and submit the attached google form latest by 14th August, 2021. The link to the form is <https://forms.gle/zwv2Jt9gEL2bq4rR6>

For any clarifications please speak with Smita Vats; 9811474527 or Shivani 9810199093 directly or mail us at itihaasw@gmail.com

All students will go through an online interview, as the selection procedure. The programme will begin with an orientation on 19th August 2021. (tentative date)

The heritage sites that students may give as preference are as follows, however the final selection will be done by ITIHAAS :

Time Period	Associated Heritage Site
Mughal Delhi	Red Fort and Old Delhi
Tughlak Delhi	Tughlakabad/Kotla
Mamluk and Slave dynasty	Qutub and Jamal Kamali
Imperial Delhi	Rashtrapati Bhawan and The Parliament

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