

# ABOUT THE COURSE

## WHO?

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NETWORK

CDN is a non-profit organization with a mission to connect the unconnected to open educational resources. We believe in the power of education to open doors. Individuals are most likely to learn in environments that value human dignity and protect human rights.

## WHAT?

### TEACH THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD TO THE YOUTH

This teaching is focused on depth rather than breadth and aims to provide a meaningful and relevant understanding of a few key articles developed by the United Nations within the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

### FOSTER CREATIVITY AND COMMUNITY

Learners will use their own personal insights and creativity to share HUMAN AND/OR CHILD RIGHTS with others in their family, class, and community. They are encouraged to problem-solve together about how to treat others with dignity and respect. Each youth can be a community-builder in his or her own way. At the end of this course, learners will complete a project that will be shared with others. This individual or group project could focus on one or many of the RIGHTS learned and can be a piece of art, music, a play, a story, a service project, or something they choose. This is the culminating experience.

## WHY?

### STRENGTHEN FAMILIES, COMMUNITIES, AND NATIONS

Human rights challenges are increasing worldwide, while respect for human dignity is generally decreasing. Our goal is to strengthen families, communities, and nations through education to foster cultures that respect human rights. Teaching these rights to children and youth is central to a better tomorrow.





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