



Young Scholars
Programme



SCHOLARS PROGRAMME 2024

India's leading residential, certified, summer programmes
for high schoolers entering grades 9-12.

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WHAT IS THE YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAMME (YSP)?

*An on-campus college-level
exposure to the liberal arts and sciences.*



India's leading certified, residential, academic, and personality enrichment summer programmes for high schoolers. Designed to inspire and prepare students for subject choices, college decisions, and life beyond.

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YSP 2024 PROGRAMMES

YSP GETS BIGGER AND RICHER!

5 *inspiring programmes across* **2** *sessions to choose from.*



YSP Foundation Programme

An introduction to the best of Ashoka and an inter- and transdisciplinary university level education. Also includes hands-on workshops on computational & mathematical thinking, 21st century & critical thinking skills.



YSP Frontiers of Science (FoS)

A multidisciplinary approach to cutting-edge research and future-forward topics across the Sciences with hands-on learning and experimentation modules.



YSP Tech, Data & Computer Science (TDCS)

A rich immersion into concepts, applications & future perspectives across programming, data sciences, AI/ML, automation & robotics and much more.



YSP Economics, Policy & Society (EPS)

An interdisciplinary exposure designed to give deep insights and rich perspectives of our world in dialogic sessions with policy & action workshops.



YSP Entrepreneurship, Leadership & Impact (ELI)

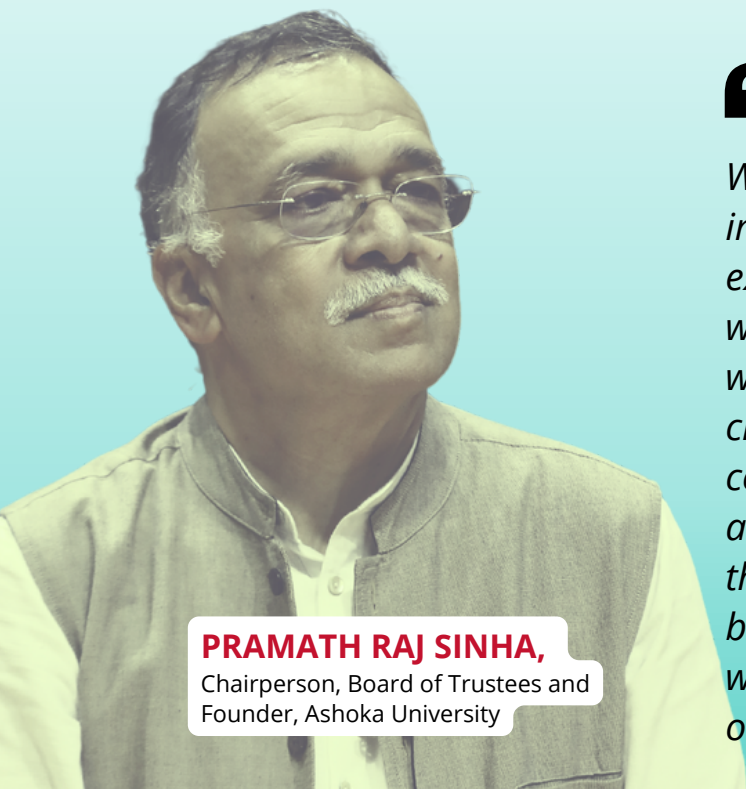
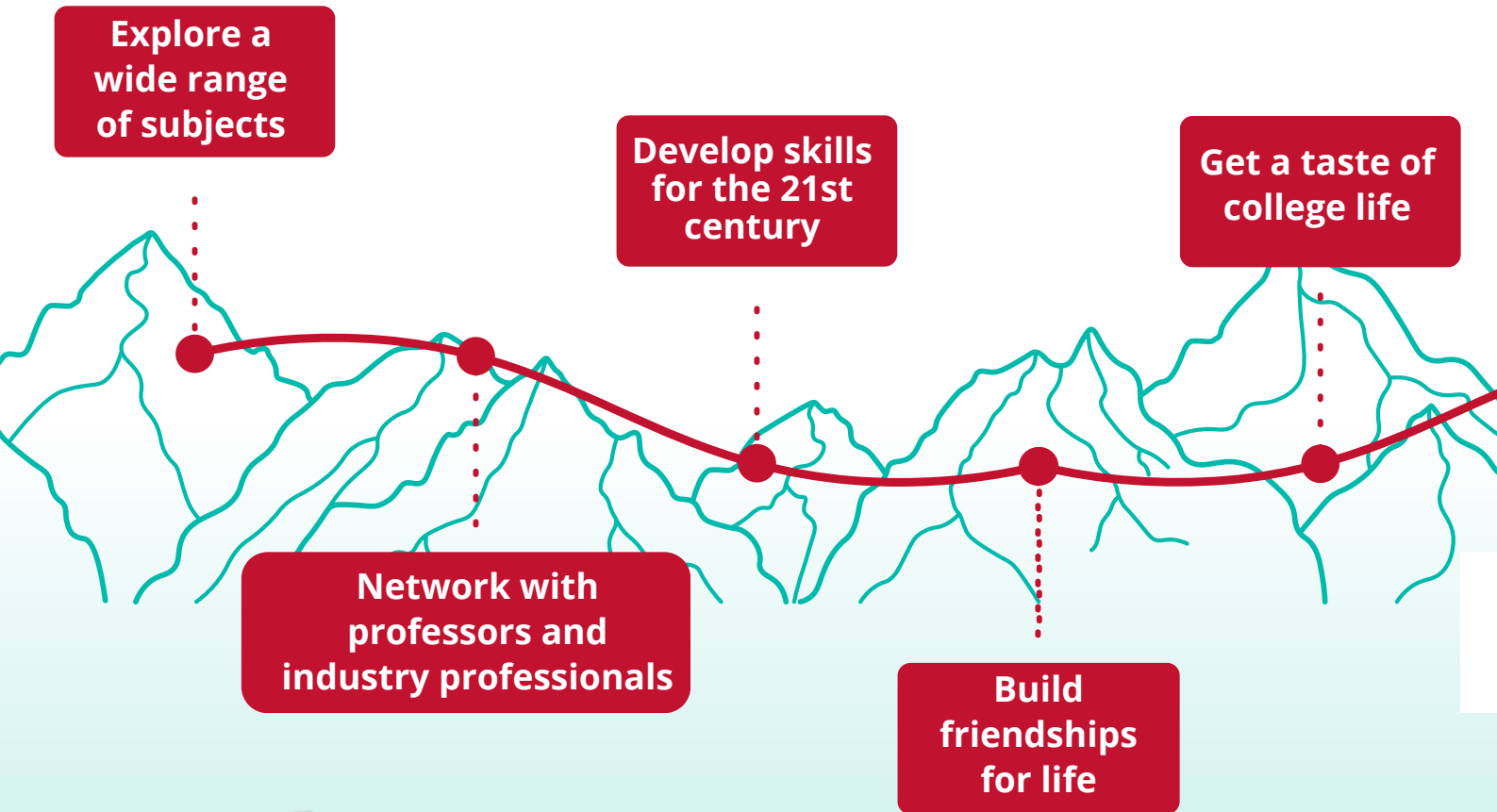
A practitioner-led journey through the various stages of building a successful profit and non-profit business along with leadership skill-building workshops.

YSP Advanced (YSP Foundation Programme + any other programme)

Students can also combine the YSP Foundation Programme with any other YSP programme to complete a 10-day YSP Advanced Certification for an enriched and holistic interdisciplinary exposure.

WHY YSP?

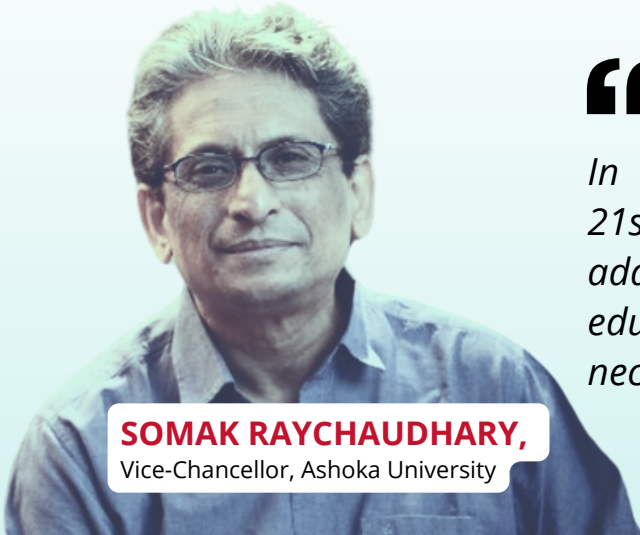
YSP students emerge better-prepared to make subject choices and college decisions, and embark on a path with long-term success on their side. With a deep dive into the academic rigour and social life of a university, students are guaranteed to take home a holistic experience.



PRAMATH RAJ SINHA,
Chairperson, Board of Trustees and
Founder, Ashoka University

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What really defines YSP is first, an interdisciplinary approach so you get exposure to multiple subjects and can decide what you want to focus on later, second the world-class global faculty, and third, the chance to work with peers from around the country. The faculty and students engage in a lot of dialogue and debate, and they do things together. We also ensure that we bring in very high-quality guest speakers who are all leaders and achievers in their own disciplines.



SOMAK RAYCHAUDHARY,
Vice-Chancellor, Ashoka University

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In the rapidly changing landscape of the 21st century, where careers evolve and adaptability is prized, ... a well-rounded education becomes not a luxury but a necessity.



DEEP KALRA,
Founder and Trustee,
Ashoka University
Founder, MakeMyTrip

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A liberal arts education in a place like Ashoka would have been life-changing for me ... I cannot tell you if I would have moved away from entrepreneurship but yes, I would have gone deeper into the study of liberal arts.



ASHISH DHAWAN,
Founding Chairperson,
Board of Trustees,
Ashoka University

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It's very important to have certain core skills which are critical thinking, being really inquisitive, having good writing & communication skills, and being really good at connecting the dots. I think those are 21st-century skills.



Young Scholars Programme: **FOUNDATION**

What is YSP Foundation Programme?

Embark on a transformative journey with the YSP Foundation Programme, a certified five-day residential programme and a unique interdisciplinary adventure. Under the mentorship of Ashoka's global faculty, scholars will traverse a multidisciplinary landscape, exploring subjects from Literature, Psychology, International Relations, and Environmental Studies to Applied & Behavioural Sciences, including Data & Computer Sciences, Biology, Astrophysics.

Who is YSP Foundation Programme for?

YSP Foundation Programme is tailored for ambitious high-schoolers, from grades 9, 10, 11 & 12, eager to delve into college-level liberal arts and sciences, and for those looking to gain a comprehensive understanding of foundational disciplines.

21st Century Skill Workshops at YSP Foundation Programme:

Students engage in thought-provoking dialogic sessions, applying their newfound knowledge to real-world challenges. Students get to prepare better for the future in critical 21st Century Skill Workshops in areas such as Creativity and Design Thinking, Collaboration, Communication, etc. Scholars also get exposed to Critical Thinking sessions.

Faculty:

YSP Foundation Programme sessions are led by Ashoka's world-renowned faculty, industry experts, leaders of today, and prominent personalities. They'll engage with stalwarts in their fields, applying an interdisciplinary and experiential learning approach to contemporary themes.

Guest Speakers:

YSP Foundation Programme students get to engage with industry leaders, academicians, and counselors in Open House Sessions, bringing real-world perspectives to enable better decision-making on subjects, colleges, and career pathways.

SESSION 1 [MAY]

MAY 20-24, 2024

OR

SESSION 2 [JUNE]

JUNE 3-7, 2024

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Young Scholars Programme: **FRONTIERS OF SCIENCE (FOS)**

What is YSP FoS?

The YSP Frontiers of Science (YSP FoS) is a certified, five-day, residential, research-led experience. Guided by Ashoka's global faculty, scholars delve into cutting-edge research, transformative topics, and future-forward perspectives. They explore groundbreaking innovations in fields such as Astrophysics, Genetics, Artificial Intelligence in Medicine, and Clean Energy.

Who is YSP FoS for?

YSP FoS is tailored for students, from grades 9, 10, 11 & 12, who are excited about the foundational realms of Physics, Biology, and Chemistry to the vast expanse of Astronomy and the innovative applications of Computer and Data Sciences.

Hands-on projects at YSP FoS:

Students get to conduct experiments that bring theories to life. Scholars collaborate on projects, challenging each other's perspectives and co-creating solutions to complex scientific problems. This hands-on approach ensures that students not only understand scientific concepts but can also apply them in real-world contexts.

Faculty:

YSP FoS sessions are conducted by leading academicians in their fields, applying an interdisciplinary and experiential learning approach to some of the most path-breaking developments of our times.

Guest Speakers:

At YSP FoS, scholars will get to engage with inspiring speakers who are leaders in their field and develop a deep understanding of the skills they need to succeed in their future.

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MAY 27-31, 2024

OR

SESSION 2 [JUNE]

JUNE 10-14, 2024

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Young Scholars Programme: **TECH, DATA & COMPUTER SCIENCE (TDCS)**

What is YSP TDCS?

Embark on a futuristic journey with YSP Tech, Data & Computer Science (YSP TDCS), a comprehensive, certified, five-day, residential programme. It is an experiential journey, meticulously crafted for young scholars who crave challenges and are excited to locate creative solutions in the ever-growing field of TDCS. Under the mentorship of Ashoka's global faculty, students will immerse themselves in the foundational concepts of coding and data sciences, advancing to the realms of artificial intelligence, automation, and robotics.

Who is YSP TDCS for?

YSP TDCS is tailored for high-schoolers, from grades 9,10, 11 & 12, eager to navigate the dynamic world of cutting-edge Technologies, Data, and Computer Sciences.

Hands-on projects at YSP TDCS:

Young scholars get to engage in hands-on experiential projects in our MakerSpace sessions. Students get to apply cutting-edge technologies and create innovations such as building AI bots, utilizing 3D printing, building games, designing virtual reality experiences, developing bioinformatic tools, creating tech that operates through solar power, or modeling data for good.

Faculty:

YSP TDCS sessions are conducted by leading academicians in their fields, applying an interdisciplinary and experiential learning approach to some of the most path-breaking developments of our times.

Guest Speakers:

At YSP TDCS, scholars will share the same space with industry stalwarts and professionals who will share inspiring stories and insights that are meant to foster future forward-thinking.

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Young Scholars Programme: **ECONOMICS, POLICY, & SOCIETY (EPS)**

What is YSP EPS?

Embark on a transformative journey with YSP Economics, Policy, and Society (YSP EPS), a five-day residential programme. At YSP EPS, we will explore issues that impact us every day, and find solutions based on logic and inspired from academic learning. Think Economics, History, Sociology, Political Science, Geography, and exciting newcomers like Digital Humanities, Environment and Sustainability, Law and Policy – they're all on the menu. Here, students won't just be learning; they'll be experiencing, debating, and creating.

Who is YSP EPS for?

YSP EPS is tailored for high-schoolers, from grades 9,10, 11 & 12, poised to be the next generation of global thinkers and change-makers.

Hands-on projects at YSP EPS:

Students will participate in workshops where they'll design solutions to pressing challenges. Activities could include policy drafting simulations, policy analysis exercises, data-driven decision-making sessions, and collaborative brainstorming activities that mirror real-world policy think tanks.

Faculty:

YSP EPS sessions are led by Ashoka's world-renowned faculty, industry experts, leaders of today, and prominent industry leaders. Through a diverse and multidisciplinary pedagogical model, students are empowered to address global challenges.

Guest Speakers:

YSP EPS students get to engage with industry leaders, academicians, and counselors in Open open-house sessions, bringing real-world perspectives to enable better decision-making on subjects, colleges, and career pathways

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Young Scholars Programme: **ENTREPRENEURSHIP, LEADERSHIP, & IMPACT (ELI)**

What is YSP ELI?

YSP Entrepreneurship, Leadership, and Impact (YSP ELI) is a certified, immersive, and experiential five-day residential programme tailored to empower and equip participants for success. Dive deep into the fundamentals of business planning, opportunity analysis, finance, marketing, innovation, and more. Scholars also enhance their proficiency in persuasive communication, collaboration, and grasping group dynamics. Whether you're gearing up for college applications or envisioning a future entrepreneurial venture, YSP ELI provides the tools and knowledge to set you on the right path.

Who is YSP ELI for?

YSP EPS is designed for high-schoolers, from grades 9,10, 11 & 12, who aspire to drive change across various domains, including entrepreneurship, diverse businesses, corporate ventures, and philanthropic missions.

Hands-on projects at YSP ELI:

At YSP ELI students participate in daily workshops, diving deep into hands-on projects. These sessions could cover real-time case studies, market trend analysis, sustainable business brainstorming, and social impact venture strategies. These workshops bridge theoretical learning from faculty sessions with practical application, enhancing problem-solving and innovation.

Faculty:

YSP ELI sessions are led by stalwarts in their fields, applying an interdisciplinary and experiential learning approach to contemporary innovations.

Guest Speakers:

YSP ELI scholars will enjoy engaging sessions with real-life experts who are at the forefront of causing transformative global shifts in the entrepreneurial world.

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Young Scholars Programme:
ADVANCED
(YSP FOUNDATION PROGRAMME
+ ANY OTHER YSP PROGRAMME)

YSP also offers motivated & talented students the option of taking YSP Advanced (YSP Foundation Programme + any other programme), over a 10-day certified programme on campus. The academic and personal enrichment over the 10-day period covering an interdisciplinary exposure across the liberal arts and sciences not only prepares students better for higher studies, but for life beyond.

Students can choose to return home or stay on campus during the weekend and participate in a range of special activities.

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MAY 20-31, 2024		JUNE 3-14, 2024

Are you ready to #ChartYourPathWithYSP?

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MEET THE GLOBAL FACULTY



Gopalkrishna Gandhi
Distinguished Professor of History and Politics



Shivshankar Menon
Visiting Professor of International Relations, MA University of Delhi, Diploma and Certificate in the Chinese Language University of Delhi



LS Shashidhara
Visiting Faculty of Biology, Ph.D. University of Cambridge



Mahesh Rangarajan
Head of the Department of Environmental Studies, Professor of History Chair (Hon.), DPhil University of Oxford



Priyank Narayan
Head of the Department of Entrepreneurship, Ph.D. IIT Delhi



Sourav Pal
Head of the Department, Chemistry, Professor of Chemistry, Ph.D. Calcutta University



Alok Bhattacharya
Head of the Department, Biology, Professor of Biology, Ph.D. Jawaharlal Nehru University



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Assistant Professor of English, Ph.D. Cornell University



Dr Arvinder Singh
Director, Ashoka Centre for Well-Being, Ashoka University

MEET THE INSPIRING SPEAKERS



Pramath Raj Sinha
*Chairperson,
Board of Trustees, and
Founder, Ashoka University*



**Somak
Raychaudhary**
*Vice-Chancellor,
Ashoka University*



Jack W. Szostak
*Nobel Laureate,
Chemistry,
Ph.D, Cornell University*



Deep Kalra
*Founder,
MakeMyTrip*



Sanjeev Bikhchandani
*Founder and Vice-Chairman,
Info Edge (Naukri.com)*



Aditya Ghosh
*Co-Founder, Akasa Air Member,
Board of Directors, Fabindia
Overseas Member, Board of
Directors, OYO Hotels and
Homes*



Yamuna Krishna
*Professor, Chemistry,
University of Chicago*



Jaspreet Bindra
*Visiting Faculty,
Entrepreneurship*

and many more ...



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READY TO JOIN A DIVERSE COHORT?

2450+
learners

till date

700+
schools

*across India
and abroad*

75+
**engaged
faculty**

till date

60% +
female

*enrollment over
the years*

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The perfect college-life trailer. Content-dense, informative, answered a lot of questions. Candid overview into life at the University. I learnt a lot about myself and the University. - **YSP General Student (Class of YSP 2023)**

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Getting exposed to new perspectives, cultural backgrounds, thought processes. YSP helped me explore who I am as a person and helped me develop holistically as a responsible human being. Thank you so much YSP and Ashoka! - **YSP Advanced (General + Science) Student (Class of YSP 2023)**

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I had a great time learning about pH, and learning about redox reactions. The practical component of the session allowed me to fully understand the concepts being taught. - **YSP Sciences (Class of YSP 2023)**

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He thoroughly enjoyed his stay in Ashoka, the lectures were very interesting and informative. It covered a wide set of topics on various levels, which is definitely an eye opener for his career and life. The counselors were extremely helpful and supportive. He enjoyed the library, basketball court and the food. - **YSP Parent**

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It was a great experience for my son. It not only helped him to make subject and career choices but also gave him clarity about what lies ahead after school. He came back from Ashoka as a very motivated and independent child who had the power of making decisions and moving ahead with confidence in life
- **YSP Parent**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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What is a liberal arts and sciences education?

Liberal Arts & Sciences education celebrates discussion and debate in the classroom. It focuses on providing critical thinking skills and multiple perspectives to students, which is considered an essential part of leading an ethical and purposeful life. Essentially, it incorporates breadth and depth across multiple disciplines.

Do YSP students earn a certificate?

Yes, students will be given a certificate on successful completion of the programme, provided all sessions are attended and there has been adequate participation by the student.

Will attending YSP increase my chances of admission to Ashoka University?

Attending YSP will give you an insight into Liberal Arts & Sciences education and the Ashoka pedagogy. This will surely help you with your undergraduate application form at Ashoka University. However, this does not guarantee admission to the Ashoka UG programme.

What is the deadline for the submission of the application form?

The final deadline is April 14th, 2024. As YSP has limited seats and applications are reviewed on a rolling basis, we encourage you to apply early to secure your seat.

What do the programme fees include?

The programme fee includes access to all the sessions for the course duration, including founder talks, interactive sessions, and follow-up reading materials.

Is financial aid available?

Yes, need-based financial aid is available. The financial aid section is available on the online application form. Please check the website for more details.

What are admission criteria for YSP?

The application will be based on your academic performance in school, your YSP application essay, and your co-curricular activities. We look for students who are open and curious about learning new things.

For more FAQs, [click here](#)

Please email youngscholars@ashoka.edu.in with any questions!

YSP 2024 DATES AND FEES

YSP PROGRAMME	SESSION 1 DATES	NEW SESSION 2 DATES	FEES (ALL INCLUSIVE)
YSP Foundation Programme	Monday, May 20 – Friday, May 24, 2024	OR Monday, June 3 – Friday, June 7, 2024	INR 49,500/-
YSP Frontiers of Science	Monday, May 27 – Friday, May 31, 2024	OR Monday, June 10 – Friday, June 14, 2024	INR 49,500/-
YSP Tech, Data & Computer Science	Monday, May 27 – Friday, May 31, 2024	OR Monday, June 10 – Friday, June 14, 2024	INR 49,500/-
NEW YSP Entrepreneurship, Leadership, & Impact	Monday, May 27 – Friday, May 31, 2024	OR Monday, June 10 – Friday, June 14, 2024	INR 49,500/-
NEW YSP Economics, Policy, & Society	Monday, May 27 – Friday, May 31, 2024	OR Monday, June 10 – Friday, June 14, 2024	INR 49,500/-
YSP – Advanced (YSP Foundation Programme + any other programme)	Monday, May 20 – Friday, May 31, 2024	OR Monday, June 3 – Friday, June 14, 2024	INR 85,000/-



Which YSP programme will you apply for?

APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 21, 2024.

Limited seats. Apply early to secure your seat.




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