

Our Objective

Working with high school students, UNITE is a leadership and peer mentorship initiative that aims to build social cohesion and transformation in South African society.

UNITE explores ideas of identity, integration and diversity with youth living in South Africa.



- By exploring the theme of identity, youth heighten their awareness of the self and the self within society to better understand the way personal beliefs shape thought and action.
- By exploring the theme of integration, youth understand the constructs that keep different social groups separate and use this understanding to build bridges across social divides.
- By exploring the theme of diversity, UNITE fosters acceptance of differences between people to grow social cohesion and embrace individuality.

About Scalabrini

Perceiving migration as an opportunity, the Scalabrini Centre is committed to alleviating poverty and promoting development in the Western Cape while fostering integration between migrants, refugees and South Africans.

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The Scalabrini Centre's activities are supported by:



Unite As One

Provoking critical thinking and activism in youth



The UNITE programme

Schools and structure

UNITE functions in four partner schools in the Western Cape:

- Sea Point High School
- Zonnebloem NEST Secondary School
- Heideveld Secondary School
- Vista High School

In each school, the UNITE club is led by peer elected Inner Club Council (ICC) members.

ICC members attend themed workshops at the Scalabrini Centre in preparation to lead discussions at their schools' UNITE club.

Select senior ICC members can be given the opportunity to continue within UNITE as peer mentors to provide support to newly elected leaders.



Content

UNITE coincides with the South African school calendar. Activities take place between the months of January to September.

In term one the UNITE workshops focus on identity; in term two, integration; and in term three, diversity.

UNITE runs a club once a week at each of our partner schools and weekly workshops at the Scalabrini Centre for the ICC.

In addition to our weekly club and ICC meetings, UNITE runs leadership camps, holiday programs, end of term events that coincide with relevant South African holidays, and various other educational outings and events.

Events and extra-curricular

To ensure UNITE reaches its objective of provoking critical thinking and activism in youth, UNITE offers several extra-curricular activities. This could include team-building outings, specialised workshops, hiking, museum visits or holiday camps. The following events occur on a yearly basis:

- January Leadership Camp
- July Holiday Club
- July Leadership Camp
- Career Day
- Human Rights Day Event
- April Holiday Club
- World Refugee Day Event



Find out more about UNITE updates on our Facebook Page - UNITE Club - or visit www.scalabrini.org.za/programmes/unite/