



## Course Control Document

### **Future Forum Young Fellowship Program**

**Course number:** YRF001

**Valid from:** Fall 2017

**Approved:** This course control document has been approved by the President of Future Forum and the Senior Policy and Research Advisor 2017-08-31

**Duration:** 1 year (40 weeks)

**Criteria for admission:** University graduate in Public Administration, Political Science, Public Policy, Development Studies, Education, International Relations, Law, Economics, or a similar field, and/or young professionals; candidates completing their final semester of their bachelor degree should specify their expected graduation date. Have strong interest in research and the ability to undertake independent study; proficiency in English (is preferred); commitment to complete a one year full-time program with Future Forum is essential; a research background (such as having undertaken university level research course(s) in for example qualitative and quantitative methods, etc.) is a bonus; only candidates aged from 20 – 30 years old will be considered.

**Content and design:** The course is focused on the practice of doing research, including the writing of policy papers. Emphasis will be on critical and analytical thinking. The admitted individual shall be given a real chance to absorb the education thus gaining a basic experience of doing research on an intermediate level.

The course is designed around mandatory lectures, seminars and the writing of policy papers and is as such organized along three thematic lines:

1. The core of science: using theory and methodology for the purpose of analysis and critical thinking
2. Analysis and critical thinking
3. Writing analytic papers

### **Learning objectives and outcomes (see appendix 2):**

After having graduated from the Young Fellowship Program, the admitted individual is expected to be able to:

#### *Comprehension*

- demonstrate an understanding of the basic components of good and sound science
- demonstrate an understanding of some basic social scientific methodologies (interviews, qualitative and quantitative methods)
- demonstrate an understanding of plagiarism

#### *Application*

- apply theory to analysis
- analyse political events by contextualising them
- choosing a suitable social scientific methodology when designing a policy paper

#### *Analysing*

- show an ability to apply basic critical thinking in written papers and on seminars
- show an ability to analyse current affairs and politics by identifying and analyzing patterns
- writing short theory induced analytical papers using suitable methodology

**Examiner:** Examining individual is the Senior Research and Policy Advisor

**Graduation:** Individuals accepted into the Young Fellowship Program are expected to actively participate in mandatory lectures and seminars and to write shorter papers and term papers as per instructed. “Actively participate” here entails a high degree of responsibility on the individuals accepted into the Young Fellowship Program to engage in discussions in an open, balanced, constructive and respectful way.

Individuals accepted into the Young Fellowship Program will be examined and evaluated monthly based on his/her contributions in the mandatory seminars and written papers.

Rating is as fail (F) or pass (P).

In order to pass and successfully graduate from the Young Fellowship Program as a whole the admitted individual must pass (P) 80% of all assignments, including the larger term paper.

If the admitted individual is absent from any lectures or seminars or fails to deliver written papers on time, the Senior Research and Policy Advisor may decide how s/he must make up for such nonattendance.

#### **Separation from the Young Fellowship Program**

Individuals accepted into the Young Fellowship Program, who not follow the rules or unless failing to deliver results on an adequate level will be considered for separation from the YFP. Any such individual accepted into the Young Fellowship Program will be given one oral and a maximum of two written warnings before separation from the program.

After having received two warnings, the President of Future Forum reserves the right to separate such individuals from the program on one weeks’ notice. Separation from program also means loss of stipend in its entirety.

**Literature:** See appendix 1.

## **Appendix 1 – Literature**

To be decided

## Appendix 2 - Blooms Taxonomy:

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