



EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Learn deeply. Think critically. Lead responsibly.



Connective Paths Foundation
community-led change

LEARN. LEAD. REFORM.

We equip students and young professionals to lead responsibly in complex global systems through immersive seminars, real-world simulations, and critical engagement.

With **EXL**, you can:

- Increase and translate theoretical knowledge to career-relevant competencies
- Be mentored by highly experienced trainers skilled in learner-centred, experiential learning and young adult education

BONUS: Contribute to our mission to support community-led change in the Global South!

WHAT MAKES EXL TRAINING PROGRAMMES DISTINCT

Education here is not only about insight, it is also about accountability and material solidarity.



Global South-centred analysis grounded in lived professional experience



Focus on ethical navigation, not idealised solutions

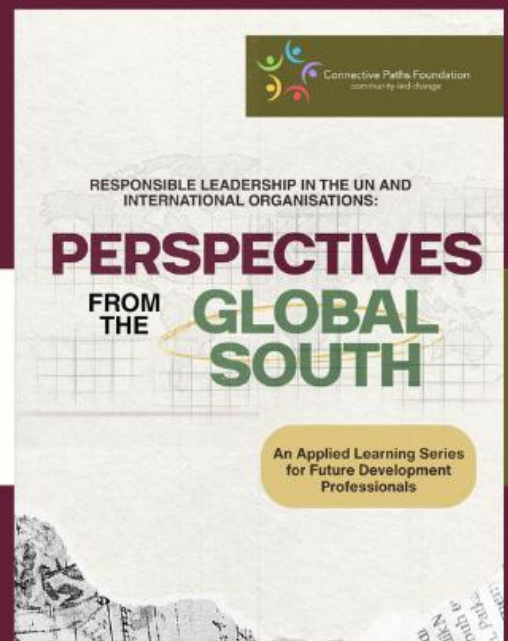


Realistic case-based learning drawn from UN and NGO practice



Explicit links between critical thinking and job readiness

FLAGSHIP SEMINAR#1



RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP IN THE UN AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS: PERSPECTIVES FROM THE GLOBAL SOUTH

WHY THIS MATTERS

This seminar and workshop series prepares graduate students in navigating:

- Power asymmetries inside multilateral institutions
- Ethical dilemmas under donor pressure
- Tensions between participation, accountability, and compliance
- The emotional and moral weight of development work

Responsible leadership cannot be learned from textbooks alone. It must be practised, questioned, and refined –before students enter positions where their decisions shape lives.

This programme creates that space.

FLAGSHIP SEMINAR #2



WHAT STUDENTS WILL GET

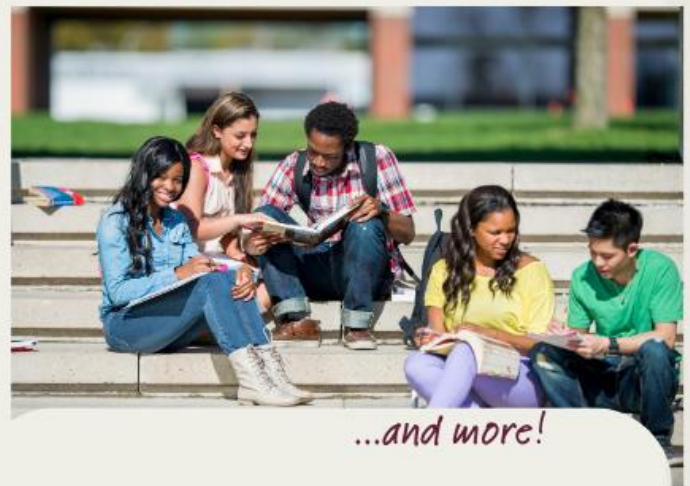
At the end of this seminar, participants will be equipped to:

- Analyse decolonising aid and shift-the-power agendas through a gender lens
- Identify gendered risks, exclusions, and harms
- Understand the structural drivers of exploitation and violence against women in the aid sector
- Apply basic gender analysis tools to real-world aid and humanitarian scenarios
- Articulate pathways for promoting women's leadership without tokenism or co-optation

DEEPENING WORKSHOPS

Aside from the core seminars, students & universities can join **EXL Deep-Dive workshops** or request tailored sessions on:

- Ethical consulting in Global Development
- Feminism is a 'Bad' Word
- Decolonial Practice Beyond Buzzwords
- M&E through Power Lens
- We are all (dis)abled! Rights-Based Programming



...and more!

All of our seminars and workshops are delivered through:



- *interactive scenarios*
- *ethical dilemmas*
- *group analysis and reflections*

PARTNER WITH US

Students are not only learning about responsible leadership—they are participating in it.

Align teaching on decolonisation and localisation with material redistribution of resources

Offer students learning that does not reproduce extractive dynamics

Demonstrate ethical engagement with the Global South beyond rhetoric

Support systemic change at the entry point of development careers

Help shift resources toward community-led development

Avoid overhead-heavy intermediaries

Create a sustainable financing mechanism for grassroots impact

DONORS' CORNER

Supporting our programmes means investing in ethical professionals today and community-led development tomorrow.



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Stichting Connective Paths Foundation (CPF) was founded in the Netherlands to advance community-led development in practical and measurable ways: We help families break the cycle of poverty by supporting grassroots organisations that increase incomes and empower women and youth to know and claim their rights.

EXL is part of CPF's mission-driven social business, run on a full cost-recovery, impact-first basis. We prioritise social impact over profit, reinvesting any surplus back into our mission: 100% of net surplus is reinvested as flexible funding and support to grassroots actions in the Global South.



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