



The International Polar Year Wants You!

In order to encourage the participation of the next generation of polar researchers in the upcoming International Polar Year 2007-2009 the Canadian Steering Committee has approved the formation of a Youth Steering Committee (YSC). The YSC will be composed of students with an interest in polar research from a broad range of disciplines encompassing both the sciences and social sciences. It is hoped that within this group each territory and province will have at least one regional representative and that these individuals will be in various levels of their education, be that undergraduate, masters or PhD programs.

The goals of the YSC will be to ensure the participation of youth in IPY through a range of initiatives, examples of which include mentoring programs, increased field assistant positions, internships and thesis programs focused in polar research and opportunities for university students to educate younger students about the Polar Regions.

Ultimately the YSC hopes to serve as a model for an international youth steering committee whose goals might include an international youth polar conference during IPY 2007-2009.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the YSC or know someone who would be pleased see the attached application/nomination form.

For further information please contact one of the YSC co-chairs Amber Church (amber@alkhemedia.com) or Tyler Kuhn (tyler@alkhemedia.com)

Youth Steering Committee Nomination/Application Form
(Please return to amber@alkhemedia.com by Sept. 30, 2005)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Program of Study/Research Interests: _____

School/Institution/Affiliation: _____

Why Do You Want to Join the YSC: _____

Do You Have Any Previous Polar Research Experience: _____

Do You Have Any Ideas for Possible YSC Projects: _____

Approximately How Much Time Do You Have to Commit to the YSC: _____

