



Join the UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities!

The UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities (GNLC) is an international policy-oriented network providing inspiration, know-how and best practice. UNESCO GNLC members benefit from:

- sharing of lifelong learning policies and practices
- production and exchange of knowledge on key challenges and solutions
- capacity-building and training initiatives
- participating in global events such as the International Conference on Learning Cities.

The 200+ members of the network work in clusters on key issues such as education for sustainable development, equity and inclusion or health and well-being.

During the COVID-19 pandemic UNESCO learning cities have closely worked together to share good practice, strategies and activities to ensure that learning did not stop for young and old.

Becoming a learning city

A learning city:



effectively mobilizes resources in every sector to promote inclusive learning, from basic to higher education



revitalizes learning in families and communities



facilitates learning for and in the workplace



extends the use of modern learning technologies



enhances quality and excellence in learning



fosters a culture of learning throughout life



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The member cities of the UNESCO network enhance individual empowerment and social inclusion, economic development and cultural action as well as sustainable development. They promote literacy and education for global citizenship, entrepreneurship, health and well-being.

Find out more on the [GNLC website](#)

How to join the network

Applications are open from 1 September to 1 November 2021.

Detailed information, including the application form, can be found at:

learningcities.uil.unesco.org



Applications must be submitted to the UNESCO National Commission in your country for endorsement and submission to the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning.

National Commissions for UNESCO are invited to submit up to three city membership applications no later than 30 November 2021. The list of the new GNLC members will be issued in February 2022.

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