

YDP Youth Application

Welcome to the OUSA Youth Development Program! The purpose of this program is to connect you with peers, experts, mentors, coaches, or whoever is out there in the greater OUSA community that can help you better enjoy our sport and work towards reaching your goals.

Those goals can be whatever you want to achieve. Maybe there's no club near you, and you're looking for a way to connect with other orienteers. Perhaps you're aiming for the national team, or hoping to become a sports journalist some day. Or you want to put on an amazing orienteering event, or design courses for major competition. Maybe you're becoming an orienteering coach, yourself, or starting your own club as you head off to college. Or you might enjoy mapping and want someone to reach out to for advice. We want to support all this, and more.

There's no cost to join, but you do need to be an OUSA member (<https://orienteeringusa.org/membership/>).

Please tell us as much about yourself and your interests as you can so we can reach out across the community and connect you to other people and OUSA resources that will support you in doing what you love to do in orienteering. In doing so, we will share your responses to this form.

We're asking for your email first so we can send you a copy of your application when you're done, and so you can go back in and edit if you forgot something. You will further be receiving a "Welcome" e-mail from a member of the YDP leadership, with the Subject line starting with [YDP Committee]; you may want to check your Spam folder for such e-mail if it has been a while and you have not heard back regarding your YDP Application.

If not yet ready to apply or have questions that are not addressed in above introductory portion for the YDP, please send an e-mail to the [YDP Leadership](#)"

* Indicates required question

1. Email *

About me (admin info)

2. What is your full (first & last) name? *

3. What is your gender?

4. What would you like to be called (name, nickname, how to pronounce it, pronouns, etc)?

5. Do you have an attackpoint.org account, and if so, what is your username so we can add you to the ydp group? *

6. Are you age 18 or older? *

Mark only one oval.

I am age 18 or older *Skip to question 9*

I am under 18 years old *Skip to question 7*

Under 18s

If you're under 18, we'll need some contact information for your guardian(s) to ensure we're complying with all youth safety requirements (Safesport). We'll include them in any communication with you. We won't be able to process your application without this information.

7. Please provide your guardian's name. *

8. Please provide your guardian's email. *

About me (cont)

9. What is your OUSA member number? (Haven't joined OUSA yet? Info is here: <https://orienteeringusa.org/membership/>) *

10. What is your zip code? *

11. Are you an orienteering club member, and if so, which club(s)?

Interests and Goals

Please be as specific as possible so we can connect you with others who share your passions or who have the specialized experience to support you in working towards your goals.

12. What do you love about orienteering? *

13. What are your orienteering-related goals? (Anything you want to achieve that is broadly related to orienteering). *

14. How are you working towards those goals now, and what support (people, resources, etc) do you have? *

YDP Support

Please be as specific as possible so we can connect you with others who share your passions or who have the specialized experience to support you in working towards your goals.

15. What opportunities are you hoping to be a part of (and what have we not yet imagined)? *

Check all that apply.

- Peers to comment on my training online
- Connect with a coach locally
- Connect with a coach online
- Connect with an expert who can support my interests locally
- Connect with an expert can support my interests online
- Connect with someone to make me a map to train on
- Connect with someone to provide feedback on a map I made
- Connect with someone to test and provide feedback on courses I've designed
- Connect with someone to design courses for me to train on
- Access to orienteering training resources (ie videos, books, "armchair exercises" to do at home)
- Access to other education or "how to" resources for course design, map making, event management, etc (videos, discussion forums, etc)
- Course reviews online
- Course reviews in person after events
- Opportunities to connect with other youth online
- Opportunities to connect with other youth in person
- Expanding access to orienteering in my community
- Meeting up with other youth socially
- Meeting up with other youth to orienteer
- Orienteering locally (<2 hours from home)
- Orienteering in my region (~ 1/2 day travel from home)
- Orienteering nationally
- Taking a coaching certification course
- Other: _____

16. What support are you looking for from the YDP? *

17. Is there anyone in particular you'd like to work with that we can help connect you with? If so, who (+ from what club and contact info if you have it)?

18. Do you have any thoughts about how you prefer to connect with others that you'd like to share? For example, in person, email, video call, etc? Regularly, or only when you need input?

19. What else do you want to share with us that will help us better support you? *

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