

Australian Youth Climate Coalition: ACT CAMPAIGNS COORDINATOR



LOCATION: Canberra, ACT

RESPONSIBLE TO: ACT State Leaders

TIME COMMITMENT: The equivalent of 1 day (8-10hrs) per week, for at least 12 months

SALARY: This is a volunteer role. Reimbursement is available for associated expenses.

ABOUT THE AYCC

The Australian Youth Climate Coalition has grown from a handful of people in 2006 to over 120,000 members and hundreds of volunteers around the country. We have successfully campaigned to get a price on carbon, held Power Shifts with thousands of participants, and convinced all four of Australia's big four banks to pull out of involvement with the proposed Adani Carmichael coal mine on the Great Barrier Reef. We've reached hundreds of thousands of young people with our message demanding a safe climate future and are building a generation wide movement to solve the climate crisis before it's too late. We do all of this work alongside the Seed Indigenous Youth Climate Network.

The Australian Youth Climate Coalition (AYCC) is Australia's largest youth-led organisation, and the peak body for youth acting on climate change. We're building a generation-wide movement to solve the climate crisis before it's too late, and need passionate and enthusiastic volunteers to make this happen. AYCC focuses on both short-term political impact and long-term cultural change.

ABOUT THE AYCC ACT BRANCH

In 2018 we focused largely on stopping Adani's proposed Carmichael coal mine in the Galilee Basin, and supporting Seed Indigenous Youth Climate Network in their fight to get fracking banned in the NT. We've used creative and engaging tactics, which place pressure on key influential decision-makers to aim higher on climate. We've successfully pushed Westpac to rule out funding Adani's mine, have covered Canberra in our Stop Adani message, had hundreds of conversations and engaged our local political representatives.

We will be continuing all of this work in 2019 - in particular playing an active role in the #StopAdani alliance, training up volunteers to be awesome campaigners, and making a splash in the nation's capital.

In Canberra, we currently have between 15-30 regular committed volunteers, as well as over 30 more who are involved in a semi-regular or occasional basis. We have proven ourselves to be a strong part of the climate movement in Canberra, but are hoping to scale our grassroots networks even more over the next year & have an even bigger impact. The ACT Campaigns Coordinator's role will be integral in leading the planning & implementation of strategic & impactful campaign tactics with the support of the Leadership team, and input of the ACT Branch who will roll out the campaign.

ABOUT THE ROLE

In order to reach our goals and our vision for a safe climate future, AYCC needs to be able to run effective

campaigns that have a powerful impact on decision-makers. We follow a model of decentralised, grassroots organising but also require the ability to campaign centrally on particular targets. The role of a Campaigns Coordinator is to lead the ACT branch in organising, planning and implementing campaign events, actions & tactics that are strategic & impactful. Being based in the nation's capital & in an election year, this is a particularly exciting opportunity & critical role.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Lead on the planning of campaign actions and events for AYCC ACT (this could include creative actions, rallies, campaign launches etc.)
- Organise both logistics and recruitment for campaign actions & events
- Support and manage volunteers to carry out campaign events & actions, creating opportunities for them to lead & develop new skills
- Help organise resources for campaigns (this could include both physical resources and skills / knowledge resources such as guides and scripts)
- Organise rapid-response actions in response to news events relevant to our campaigns, goals and values
- Build teams within the ACT branch to lead on aspects of AYCC's campaigns where relevant e.g. [Bird dogging team](#))

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- How to design, plan and implement campaigns
- How to communicate climate change effectively and have meaningful conversations about it
- How to lead, inspire and train young people to take action on climate change
- Understanding of power, grassroots social movements and community organising
- How to engage & influence decision makers & power holders to create social change
- How to build & grow a social movement

ESSENTIAL SKILLS AND CHARACTERISTICS

- Strong initiative and drive, and good time management
- Commitment to working in a team, and supporting others
- Clear & strong communication skills
- Experience in inspiring and motivating others
- Experience in event organising & project management
- Highly personable and inclusive of others
- Willingness to learn new skills and adapt to change
- Embrace AYCC purpose, theory of change, and culture
- Confident in working independently and with strong initiative, as well as within a team
- Committed to building a strong youth climate movement

If you don't have all the skills/experience listed above - please still apply! We're looking for a passionate, dedicated and quick-learning young person to fill this role, and there will be plenty of on-the-job learning opportunities.

HOW TO APPLY

Please send your CV and a cover letter detailing your experience and interest in the role to 'ACT Leaders team' act@aycc.org.au by midnight Sunday 3rd February.

We strongly encourage young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, LGBTIQA, and people of colour to apply.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the role further, please feel free to contact Sally (ACT Mentor) on 0415 116 992 or via email (sally.coggiola@aycc.org.au) for a confidential discussion.