



David Beiser
Director of Grant Programs

David Beiser's cross-cultural experiences began when his family moved to France when he was 11 years old. Throughout high school and university, he continued to seek out opportunities to experience other cultures including living for four and a half months on the Navajo reservation.

David's international career began when he became involved building an exchange program with the former Soviet Union. From there, he led student programs in countries ranging from Indonesia to Kenya to Estonia. The program with Estonia was the first of its kind with a former Soviet republic. He has worked on youth programs with a variety of organizations and luminaries including Mikhail Gorbachev, Jane Goodall and Desmond Tutu. Before coming to Ayusa, he worked as program director for The Junior Statesman Foundation, which supports the largest student run organization for high school students in the United States. Part of his responsibilities included operating an intensive summer program focused on government and politics at Yale University.

David is currently the director of grant programs at Ayusa where he oversees all program activities for the Kennedy Lugar Youth Exchange and Study Program (YES), Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program (CBYX), the Future Leaders Exchange Program (FLEX), and the Mexico Youth Leadership Program (Jóvenes en Acción).

David graduated from Oxford University and holds a California Teaching Credential.

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