

2013 TechWomen Program

Application is Now Open

The TechWomen initiative will identify approximately 42 women who are emerging leaders in technology sectors for a five-week program, including project-based mentorships at leading companies in California, workshops, networking events, a conference, and meetings in Washington, D.C.

Participants will be women engaged or rising in professional careers that require significant expertise/knowledge of technology and/or innovative application of these skills, and who already are – or show promise of being – role models for others in their countries, particularly for women. “Technology” should be interpreted broadly to include – but not be limited to – the fields of science, education, and business.

Eligibility Criteria

An applicant must:

- Be a woman with a minimum of two years full-time professional experience in technology sectors and/or a career requiring significant expertise/knowledge of technology and/or innovative application of these skills
- Have, at minimum, a university degree
- Be proficient in written and spoken English
- Demonstrate a willingness to participate in exchange programs, welcome opportunities for mentoring and new partnership development, and exhibit confidence and maturity
- Be citizens or permanent residents of Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestinian Territories, Tunisia, Yemen, Cameroon, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, South Africa and Zimbabwe at the time of application, and while participating in the program
- Not have applied for an immigrant visa to the United States, or participated in a visa lottery in the past five years
- Be able to obtain a U.S. visa
- Not hold U.S. Citizenship or be a U.S. legal permanent resident

Preference will be given to applicants who:

- Have demonstrated themselves as emerging leaders in technology
- Have an advanced degree, especially in a technical field
- Have limited or no prior experience in the United States
- Have a record of voluntary or public service in their communities

Deadline for Submission: February 10, 2013

The deadline for submitting TechWomen applications is **23:59 Cairo time, February 10, 2013**. Finalists will be contacted via email for in-country interviews in April and May 2013. All applicants will be notified of the results of their applications; final decisions will be made in June 2013.

To register and start working on your online application, please click on the following link: **<http://www.techwomen.org>**.

If you have questions about the program, or the application process, please contact us at **techwomen@iie.org**.