



The U.S. Embassy Algiers is pleased to announce

Middle East Partnership Initiative (MEPI)

MEPI Students Leaders

Summer 2014

What is the MEPI Student Leaders

It is a fully-funded six-week intensive leadership training program in the U.S. for undergraduate students. Participants develop leadership and collective problem-solving skills, exploring U.S. history and culture to expand their leadership skills and knowledge. The Program consists of hands-on leadership training workshops, academic sessions, site visits, community service projects, optional home stays and other opportunities for interaction with Americans peers, and other cultural activities. The program runs from **June 25nd**, and **August 07th**, 2014. It includes a five-week academic residency program at the host institution, and a one-week educational study tour designed to complement and reinforce the concepts explored in the academic residency. The program is fully funded, including international airfare, travel within the United States, accommodation, food, and program fees.

Can I apply for the MEPI Student Leaders?

Yes you can if...

- You are an Algerian citizen, living in Algeria, and attending school in Algeria,
- You will be **18 to 24 years** old as of June ^{1st}, 2014,
- You are currently in your **first year** through the **third year (classical system), first and second year (LMD), first year through the fourth year (Engineer's degree)** of university
- You still have at least **one year** of studies to finish at your return to Algeria,
- Are committed to returning to your home country/community following completion of the program,
- You are proficient in English,
- You have a sustained high level of academic achievement, as indicated by grades, awards, and teacher recommendations,
- You are mature, responsible, independent, open-minded, tolerant, and thoughtful
- You demonstrate strong leadership potential,
- You have a strong interest in learning about the United States,
- You have no prior travel experience in the United States and no study or travel experience in the United States,
- You have commitment to community,
- You are comfortable with campus life, prepared to share living accommodations, and able to make, adjustments to cultural and social practices different from those of your country,
- You are ready to spend the month of Ramadan 2013 and Eid in the United States.

How do I apply?

Application Information

- Download the application from http://algiers.usembassy.gov/academic_exchanges.html
- **Deadline to turn in the application is at 1700, 10 February 2014**
 - Submitted electronically to PASAlgiersYouth@state.gov
 - Please send a scanned copy of the last academic transcripts available (No translation needed), along with your application as well as copy of the first 5 pages of your passport
 - Write in the subject of your application's email: **YOUR NAME – MEPI 2013**

Important: Please be informed that only successful candidates will be contacted for an interview

Finalists

- Will be invited to an interview at the Embassy
- Must bring copies of their academic transcripts to the interview – No translation needed

For more information contact the Public Affairs Office by email: PASAlgiersYouth@state.gov