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U.S. Department of State
PARTICIPANT APPLICATION

2012-2013 NEAR EAST AND SOUTH ASIA UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE PROGRAM
 DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2012

1. Name (As Written on Your Passport) _____
 (Family Name) (First Name) (Middle Name)

2. Country or Countries of Citizenship _____

3. Country of Legal Residence _____

4. Place of Birth _____
 (City or Town) (Country)

5. Date of Birth _____
 (Month) (Day) (Year)

6. Gender Male Female

7. Marital Status Single Married

8. In order to respond to required U.S. Government inquiries, please check the box below, on a voluntary basis, if you have the following physical disabilities/challenges:

- Hearing Impairment Speech Impairment Visual Impairment (*Legally Blind*) Orthopedic Impairment
 Learning Disorder Other (*Specify*) _____

9. Current Contact Information

Address Type: Permanent Residence Dormitory Temporary Residence (*Other Than Dormitory*)

Street/Building Number _____ Apartment _____

City _____ Postal Code _____

Region _____ Country _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Cell Phone (*If Applicable*) _____

10. Permanent Home Address (*If Different from Current*)

Street/Building Number _____ Apartment _____

City _____ Postal Code _____

Region _____ Country _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Cell Phone (*If Applicable*) _____

11. Emergency Contact Provide the name and contact information of an individual who should be notified in case of an emergency. This should be your parent, guardian, or closest relative.

First and Last Name _____ Relationship to you _____

Street/Building Number _____ Apartment _____

City _____ Postal Code _____

Region _____ Country _____

Telephone _____ Cell _____ Email _____

12. Educational Background In the table below, please list all secondary schools (high schools), universities, institutes, and special academic programs you have attended or are currently attending, with the most recent listed first. Transliterate directly from your native language into English spelling - all words pertaining to your education. Do not use American equivalents unless you hold a degree from a U.S. academic institution.

Example

Institution and City	Department	Dates (Month-Year)	Type of Degree	Date Degree Received or Expected
Lebanese University	English Department	August 2006- May 2010	Diploma	May 2010
American International School		August 2002-May 2006	Diploma	May 2006

Institution and City	Department	Dates (Month-Year)	Type of Degree	Date Degree Received or Expected

13. TOEFL Testing If you have not taken the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and are selected as a semi-finalist, you will be required to take the TOEFL / IELTS exam. The cost of this examination will be covered by this program.

If you have previously taken the TOEFL examination, please give your score and the date and place where you took the examination. Attach a copy of your score report to the application if available. If selected, you may be required to submit official test results via ETS directly to the programming agency.

TOEFL /IELTS Score _____ Date (mm-dd-yyyy) _____ Location _____

14. Other Standardized Testing If you have taken any standardized tests other than the TOEFL, such as the SAT, ACT, IELTS or other English language proficiency exam, please list them below. Attach a copy of your score report to the application if available.

Test Name _____ Test Score _____ Date (mm-dd-yyyy) _____ Location _____

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15. Language Proficiency

Native Language(s) _____

Number of Years of English Language Study _____ Locations studied _____

Knowledge of Foreign Languages, including English, should be noted in the table on the next page. You should rate your abilities using the terms "Fair," "Good", or "Excellent."

City _____ Postal Code _____ Country _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

19. Present Course Year Final Year of Secondary School First Second Third

20. Expected Graduation Date (*month/year*) _____

21. Current Specialization/Major in Home Country _____

22. Previous VISA Information

a. Have you previously traveled on a U.S. Government-sponsored or other U.S. Exchange Program? Yes No

If yes, please complete the following:

Name of Program _____ Year(s) _____

Location in the U.S. _____
(City) (State)

b. Have you ever received a U.S. J-1 Visa? Yes No

If yes, list dates showing exact duration of stay in the United States on a J-1 Visa (month-day-year – month-day-year).

c. Have you ever received a U.S. F-1 Visa? Yes No

If yes, list dates showing exact duration of stay in the United States on a F-1 Visa (month-day-year – month-day-year)

d. Have you been in the U.S. for any other reason? Yes No

If yes, please list the duration of stay in the United States, except for visits to the United States as a tourist (month-day-year – month-day-year)

23. Non-Academic Activities Please list all volunteer positions, work experience, awards, and leadership positions you have held within the past four years. If you were a team leader, council member or other officer in any institution or activity, please note that as well.

Location/Institution and Contact	Type of Activity	Dates of Participation MM/YY – MM/YY	
		From:	To:

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24. Family Background Complete the following regarding your family:

Father's Name: _____

Father's Employment: Employed Retired _____ Year Unemployed

If employed or retired, Occupation: _____

Highest level of education attained:

None Number of primary school years _____ Number of secondary school years _____

Secondary Diploma Bachelor Degree Master's Degree Ph.D.

Mother's Name: _____

Mother's Employment: Employed Retired _____ Year Unemployed

If employed or retired, Occupation: _____

Highest level of education attained:

None Number of primary school years _____ Number of secondary school years _____

Secondary Diploma Bachelor Degree Master's Degree Ph.D.

Number of siblings in your immediate family: Number of brothers: _____ Number of sisters: _____

25. Recommendation Letters Identify two (2) individuals who will be writing letters of recommendation on your behalf. At least one should be from your current institution. Make sure these are people who are familiar with your academic and personal qualities.

1. Name _____ Title _____

Mailing Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

2. Name _____ Title _____

Mailing Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

26. How did you find out about NESAs UGRAD? Check all that apply.

The American Embassy Advising Office or other Embassy contact

From a friend

From a relative

From a teacher or professor

From an advertisement or notice (*specify the source*): _____

27. Additional Information

a. Have you ever been arrested? Yes No

If yes, list the date, place and the reason for arrest:

b. Have you ever been expelled from any academic institution? Yes No

If yes, list the date, institution, and reason for expulsion:

28. Essay: Personal Statement

The essay must be a minimum of 450 words and must not exceed 2 pages. It should provide a clear and detailed description of:

- Your interests and personality
- Your academic objectives
- Your goals related to your field of study and personal development
- The reasons why you wish to pursue them in the United States and how it relates to your interests and future objectives

The essay is an essential part of the selection process and of your application for placement into an appropriate program. Be sure to include any details that highlight your personality and individuality.

If you are submitting a paper application, please submit a typed personal statement on separate sheets of paper attached to the paper application you submit to the local U.S. Embassy or Fulbright Commission.

SIGNATURE

By my signature, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in my application is accurate and complete, and that I intend to return to my home country upon completion of my studies in the United States.

Signature: _____

Date (mm-dd-yyyy): _____

CHECKLIST FOR COMPLETE APPLICATION

Before submitting your application, please be sure you have included all of the following **REQUIRED** components:

- Completed, signed NESAS UGRAD application form
- Personal statement in English
- Official transcript (s)
- Two letters of recommendation
- TOEFL /IELTS score report
- One passport-size photo