

**APPLICATION FOR THE 2016 BENJAMIN FRANKLIN
TRANSATLANTIC FELLOWS SUMMER INSTITUTE**

**BY SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION, YOU CONFIRM THAT YOU ARE ABLE TO TRAVEL TO THE
UNITED STATES FOR THE PROGRAM BETWEEN JUNE 24 AND JULY 24, 2016, AND THAT YOU
HAVE OBTAINED YOUR LEGAL GUARDIAN'S CONSENT**

All information below should be in English and presented next to or under each question as follows:

- **Last (family) name as on passport**
- **First name as on passport**
- **Middle name(s) as on passport**
- **Date of birth**
Month: Day: Year:
- **City of birth**
- **Country of birth**
- **Country of residence**
- **Country of citizenship**
- **Gender**
- **Mark Current Status:** *[e.g. "Secondary School Student", "University Undergraduate Student", or "Special School", "Institute or Vocational Student". If you are in the gap year between high school and college, you are considered a secondary school student.]*
- **Full mailing address:**
 - *Street:*
 - *City:*
 - *Postcode:*
 - *District:*
- **Home telephone number:** **Mobile telephone number:**
- **E-mail address(es)**
- **Medical, physical, dietary, or other personal considerations**
(does not affect selection process)
- **Name of your high school or college/university**

- **Any other relevant educational, academic and professional experience or training.**
- **Active memberships, special interests, or extracurricular activities**
- **Previous travel and study experience in the United States. Please include dates and purpose. Please indicate whether such travel was supported by U.S. government funds.**
- **Future study or career plans**

- **Personal statement (*not to exceed 300 words*) highlighting why you should be selected to participate in the Institute.**

Important information:

Before submitting your application, please make sure you have read the full announcement and eligibility requirements at <http://cyprus.usembassy.gov/benfranklin2016.html>

The following factors will be among those considered in the selection process:

- Strong interest in learning more about the transatlantic relationship, the role of a free press in a democracy, and public or community service.
- Demonstrated interest in communications, advocacy, debate, or civic participation.
- Academic aptitude for a program of this nature.
- Personal qualities needed to be successful participants, including maturity, strong social skills, flexibility, and open-mindedness.
- Demonstrated interest in pursuing leadership opportunities.
- Desire to learn first-hand about the United States, its people, society, and institutions.

Applications should be submitted electronically no later than Sunday, February 28, 2016 to the Embassy of the United States at infonicosia@state.gov.

Please use subject "Cyprus BFTF 2016 Application [*Applicant's Last First name*]"

You will be notified by March 4 whether you have been selected for an interview.

Application should include:

- Completed application form
- A letter of recommendation in English (optional) included in the same email as the application

PLEASE NOTE: Within five working days of submitting an application, you should receive a confirmation email that we have received it. If you do not receive a confirmation email within that time, please let us know at infonicosia@state.gov or by phone at 22393382.