

APPLICATION FOR THE

2013

**MIDDLE EAST PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE (MEPI)
STUDENT LEADERS PROGRAM**

APPLICATION DEADLINE

January 31, 2013

Please submit your application and
supporting documentation to the
U.S. Embassy – Riyadh
or the U.S. Consulates General in Jeddah and Dhahran

By E-Mail: SaudiArabiaMEPI@state.gov

OR

By FedEx: U.S. Embassy – Riyadh, Care of Public Affairs
Diplomatic Quarter, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

* All applications must be complete to be considered

For questions please call 01-488-3800 ext 4823



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U.S. Department of State



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Provide all answers in English.

NAME

Print your name clearly **exactly** as it appears on your passport.

Last

First

Middle

Indicate any other spelling(s) or name(s) you use:

HOME COUNTRY CONTACT INFORMATION

Permanent mailing address in your home country:

City where you are currently residing: _____ (We will conduct interviews during the week of February 9-13, 2013.)

Home telephone: _____ Mobile telephone: _____

Fax number: _____ E-mail address: _____

PERSONAL DATA AND PASSPORT MATERIALS

Sex: Male Female Date of Birth: _____ Place: _____

Month/Day/Year

City

Country

Country of permanent legal residence: _____

Country or countries of citizenship: _____

Provide a clear photocopy of the photo/data information page of your current passport.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Provide the names and contact information of individuals who should be notified in case of an emergency.

Name

Relationship to you

Street Address

City

State and/or Country

Telephone Number

E-mail address



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NAME (print your name/country): _____ **COUNTRY:** _____

FIELD OF STUDY

Major Field of Study: _____

Minor Field of Study (if applicable): _____

Name of university (if currently enrolled): _____

Level of coursework you will have completed by **July 2013** (please check one below):

- Final year of Secondary School 1st year undergraduate study 2nd year undergraduate study 3rd year undergraduate study
 4th year undergraduate study Other, explain: _____
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REFERENCES/RECOMMENDATION LETTERS

Identify the two (2) individuals who will be writing letters of recommendation on your behalf. At least one should be a teacher or professor. Make sure these are people who are familiar with your academic and personal qualities well.

1. Name: _____ Title: _____

Mailing address: _____

Telephone number: _____ E-mail address: _____

2. Name: _____ Title: _____

Mailing address: _____

Telephone number: _____ E-mail address: _____

PREVIOUS ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Indicate any scholarships, academic awards or honors that you have received and the year received:



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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Provide complete information about all the educational institutions that you have attended and, if applicable, information about the institution(s) at which you are presently enrolled. **See Application Instructions for information regarding documentation you must provide pertaining to your completed studies.**

Institution Name (No abbreviations)	Institution Location (City, Country)	Dates Attended MM/YY – MM/YY		Major Field of Study	Degree Received and Date Received*	Grade Point Average**
		From:	To:			
Primary School:						
Secondary School:						
Post-Secondary Education: (University)						

* Identify the name of your degree by the word used at the institution that will award/awarded the degree. If you have not yet received the degree, please indicate the date (month and year) you expect to receive it.

** Indicate your Grade Point Average (GPA) according to the system used at the institution at which you studied. Do *not* convert your GPA to the U.S. educational system's equivalent.

Explain any gaps in your education: _____

Have you ever been dismissed from a school or university? No Yes If yes, please explain why:

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Native language(s): _____

Number of years of English study: _____ Where studied: _____



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Knowledge of foreign languages, including English (rate your abilities as Excellent, Good, or Fair):

Language Name	Reading Ability	Writing Ability	Speaking Ability

NON-ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

List other community service, internships/jobs, sports or cultural activities in which you have participated regularly in the past two 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:

PHYSICAL CHALLENGES/DISABILITIES

Describe any physical disabilities you might have. If you require any special equipment or medical treatment as a result of the physical disabilities, please describe it. This information is gathered for statistical purposes and to ensure appropriate placement. The program does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, and/or physical disabilities.

Previous Travel:

Please indicate previous travel and study or research experience outside of home country. Please include dates.



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NAME (print your name/country): _____ COUNTRY: _____

How did you find out about the MEPI Student Leaders / Undergraduate Exchange Program? Check all that apply.

- U.S. Embassy Website
- Other Internet Site
- A friend
- A relative
- A teacher or professor
- AMIDEAST's Advising Center
- Other (specify how): _____

ESSAY: Personal Statement

In 500 words or less, please answer the following two questions, typed on separate sheets of paper attached to application:

- Name one leader living today that you admire and explain why. What qualities does he or she have that makes him or her an effective leader?
- How will your participation in this program, the MEPI Student Leaders Program, benefit you and others? Why do you want to attend the program; how will it impact your future?

The essay is an essential part of the selection process and of your application.

RESUME / CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)

Typed on a separate paper attached to application: Updated resume highlighting volunteerism, leadership, and/or work experience, extracurricular activities, and academic honors.

Your resume is an essential part of the selection process and of your application.

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. I also authorize any school or university which I have attended or will attend to release my transcripts and any report to the designated placement agency.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

CHECKLIST FOR COMPLETE APPLICATION:

Before submitting your application to the address on the front page, please be sure you have included all of the following REQUIRED components:

- ___ Completed, signed MEPI Student Leaders Program application form
- ___ Essay/Personal statement in English, 500 words maximum, typed
- ___ Updated resume/curriculum vitae
- ___ Copy of the data/photo page(s) of your passport
- ___ Official transcripts for years of university study (or secondary study for those not in university yet)
- ___ Official results of the secondary school leaving exam
- ___ Two letters of recommendation