

THE 2015 FULBRIGHT'S YSEALI SUMMER SCHOOL

Ho Chi Minh City, August 3-14, 2015

The U.S. Mission to Vietnam and the Fulbright Economics Teaching Program seek candidates for the Fulbright's YSEALI Summer School. YSEALI members in Vietnam who demonstrate strong leadership qualities and potential in their university or place of work, an interest in community service and volunteerism, and have a good command of English, are invited to apply for the program. The application deadline is **5:00PM, Sunday, June 21, 2015**.

Program Overview

YSEALI (Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative) is President Obama's initiative to strengthen leadership development and networking in ASEAN, deepen engagement with young leaders on key regional and global challenges, and advance people-to-people ties between the United States and young and emerging Southeast Asian leaders.

Engaging and strengthening ties with young people is a critical element of the U.S. rebalance to the Asia-Pacific region. Recognizing that over 65 percent of ASEAN's population is under the age of 35, YSEALI is an important investment in the next generation of Southeast Asian leaders. This initiative expands existing U.S. engagement in the region to better empower, support, and connect youth across Southeast Asia.

Fulbright's YSEALI Summer School will host 160 YSEALI members from all over Vietnam to a two-week program (from August 3-14, 2015, 80 members per week) at the FETP campus in Ho Chi Minh City where they will deepen their knowledge about issues relating to the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) and share their experience and perspectives to help Vietnam reach its fullest potential. More specifically, the program will provide a comprehensive picture about the AEC, challenges and opportunities for Vietnam in general and the Vietnamese youth in particular. Vietnam's socioeconomic foundations along with its strengths and weaknesses, and global context and trends will also be an integral part of the program. The participants will have opportunities to enhance their fundamental soft skills such as creative thinking, communication, negotiation, teamwork and adaptation through a variety of soft skill trainings, inspirational speeches, games and competitions.

The distinguished speakers hail from the public sector, private sector, academia, media and FETP's faculty. Most of them are the U.S. Department of State Alumni who received prestigious scholarships such as Fulbright and VEF to study at high-ranking universities in the U.S. or study at FETP under the management of the Vietnam Program at Harvard University in cooperation with the University of Economics, Ho Chi Minh City. This program is one of the many ways the U.S. Mission to Vietnam is celebrating the 20th anniversary of the normalization of relations.

All participant costs, including travel, incidental allowances, housing and subsistence expenses will be paid for by the U.S. Mission to Vietnam.

Candidate Qualifications

Candidates nominated for this program should:

- be a YSEALI member. Join YSEALI at <https://youngsoutheastasianleaders.state.gov/>
- be between the ages of 18 and 25 at the time of application;

- be a Vietnamese citizen;
- be a full-time undergraduate student or have graduated in the past four years from college, university, or other institutions of higher learning;
- be proficient in reading, writing, and speaking English;
- demonstrate strong leadership qualities and potential in their university, place of work, and/or community;
- demonstrate interest, knowledge, or professional experience in ASEAN Economic Community
- demonstrate a commitment to or interest in community service, volunteerism, or mentorship;
- indicate a serious interest in learning about the United States and ASEAN as a region; and
- have a commitment to apply leadership skills and training to benefit their community, country, or the ASEAN region

How to apply

Complete application dossier includes:

1. Complete [application form](#);
2. Official transcripts for years of university study, and university degree if you already graduated

These two documents should be combined in one PDF file, and submitted online.

Eligible candidates from Quang Tri province to the north are requested to submit their complete application dossier online <https://goo.gl/ma8Kh0> and send any questions to:

Public Affairs Section

United States Embassy

YSEALI – Fulbright Summer School

7 Lang Ha,

Ba Dinh, Hanoi

Tel: 84-4-3850 5000, ext. 6044

Email: pas.culture@gmail.com

Eligible candidates from Thua Thien-Hue province and to the south are requested to submit their complete application dossier online at <https://goo.gl/rTRvce> and send any questions to:

Public Affairs Section

United States Consulate General

YSEALI – Fulbright Summer School

4 Le Duan, District 1

Ho Chi Minh City

Tel: (84) (8) 3520-4657

Email: PASHCMC@state.gov

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