



The U.S. Embassy Algiers is pleased to announce the

## **Study of the U.S. Institutes for Student Leaders on Entrepreneurship and Economic Development**

Summer 2023 Application

### **What is the “Study of the U.S. Institutes?” – SUSI**

Study of the U.S. Institutes (SUSIs) for Student Leaders are intensive short-term academic programs whose purpose is to provide groups of undergraduate student leaders with a deeper understanding of the United States while simultaneously enhancing their leadership skills. The five-week Institutes will consist of a balanced series of seminar discussions, readings, group presentations, and lectures. The coursework and classroom activities will be complemented by educational travel, site visits, leadership activities, and volunteer opportunities within the local community. Each Institute will have 20 participants and will include a four-week academic residency component and a one-week integrated study tour to another region of the United States. During the academic residency, participants will also have the opportunity to engage in educational and cultural activities outside of the classroom.

The Study of the U.S. Institutes on Entrepreneurship and Economic Development will provide participants with an overview of entrepreneurial approaches by reviewing the development, history, challenges, and successes of U.S. entrepreneurial enterprises, including social enterprises, business leadership and women’s economic empowerment, in the United States and globally. Topics may include, but are not limited to, trade, investment, financial literacy, banking, microfinance, organizational development and management, innovation, emerging markets and risk analysis, strategic business planning, corporate social responsibility, and minorities in entrepreneurship. To the extent possible, academic sessions will be complemented with hands-on sessions or workshops designed to build skills in the topics mentioned above.

- The program will take place over the course of **five weeks** in June and July 2023. The final dates of the program will be known in April 2023. The students will be living in dormitories during the program for approximately four weeks and will travel domestically for approximately one week that will conclude with a 2–3-day program in Washington, DC.
- The program is fully funded, including international airfare, travel within the United States, accommodation, food, and program fees.



## Can I apply for the Study of the U.S. Institutes?

Yes you can if...

- You are an Algerian citizen, living in Algeria, and attending school in Algeria.
- You are currently in your **1<sup>st</sup> year or 2<sup>nd</sup> year (LMD), 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> year (Classical System), 1<sup>st</sup> thru 4<sup>th</sup> year (i.e. Engineering studies or any similar curricula), 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> year (i.e. Medicine or any similar curricula)** and you are committed to returning home to complete your degree.
- You will be 18 to 25 years old as of **June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**.
- 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, thoughtful, and inquisitive.
- You have a strong interest in learning about the United States.
- You are comfortable with campus life, prepared to share living accommodations, and able to adjust cultural and social practices different from those of your country.

## How do I apply?

- 1- Download the application from <https://dz.usembassy.gov/education-culture/exchanges/> under « Undergraduate Programs ».
  - To be considered, an application package should include:
    - Completed application form.
    - Scanned copy of your last available academic transcript and a 2021-2022 school certificate.
    - Your personal statement in a separate Word document with your full name on the top of the page.
- 2- Send your application package electronically to [PASAlgiersYouth@state.gov](mailto:PASAlgiersYouth@state.gov)

**Note:** Your application package should be sent as an attachment in an email. Do not use drives, clouds or images in the body of an email to send your package.

3- Write in the subject line of your application's email: **PUT YOUR NAME HERE – SUSI 2023**

4- The deadline to turn in the application is at 1700, **December 11, 2022.**

**Important: Please be informed that only successful candidates will be contacted for an interview. Interviews are scheduled for the third week of December 2022.**

For more information, contact the Cultural Affairs Office by email: [PASAlgiersYouth@state.gov](mailto:PASAlgiersYouth@state.gov)

**FAQ:**

- Do I need to translate the provided documents?
  - No. Documents such as transcripts and school certificates can be sent in the original language.
- Who can write me a letter of recommendation?
  - Teachers, supervisors, school officials or anyone who has supervised you in the past.
- I don't have a scanner for documents, what should I do?
  - You can take a clear, visible picture of the document and send it as an attachment with your application.
- A document is missing in my application, what should I do?
  - If your document will be available before the interview date, you can apply and explain in your email why this document is missing and when will you be able to send it.





**TRAVEL EXPERIENCE**

Please describe any previous travel or study in the United States or any other country. If you have not traveled out of your country, indicate "none."

Travel Dates MM/YY – MM/YY		Travel Purpose (e.g. vacation, school, etc.)	US Government Program? Y/N
From:	To:		
From:	To:		
From:	To:		
From:	To:		

**FAMILY IN THE UNITED STATES**

Please provide the contact information of your family member in the U.S.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

**YOUR NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

*(as it appears on your passport)*      *Family*                                      *First*                                      *Middle*

**EMERGENCY CONTACT**

Please provide the contact information of a contact that can be called in case of an emergency

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES** *(if applicable)*

Please describe any activities, clubs, or organizations in which you participate. You may include volunteer and sports activities.

Name of Activity	Describe the activity and your role	Dates of Involvement MM/YY – MM/YY	
		From:	To:
		From:	To:
		From:	To:
		From:	To:

**MEMBERSHIPS** *(if applicable)*

Please list your membership in any other organizations: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SPECIAL INTERESTS** *(if applicable)*

Please describe any hobbies or special interests: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PERSONAL STATEMENT**

**In a separate word document with your name typed on the top**, please respond to the following question: Tell us about yourself and your goals including the following: What about your background and/or interests makes you competitive for this particular institute (please be as specific as possible)? What will you contribute to the group? How do you expect this experience will affect your future academic and professional career? How will it affect you personally? Please structure your essay in paragraphs and limit your response to 250 words, or approximately half a page, single spaced.

**YOUR NAME**

*(as it appears on your passport)*

*Family*

*First*

*Middle*

**SHORT ESSAY #1 (Approximately 150-200 words)**

*What are your career goals? How will leadership training help to prepare you to meet these goals?*

**SHORT ESSAY #2 (Approximately 150-200 words)**

*Identify one political, social, or economic challenge facing your country today. What steps could be taken to solve the problem or improve the situation? What role can students play in this process?*



**DISCLAIMER** (*all applicants*)

The information in this application is accurate and complete. The written work in the short essays is my own, and I have not been assisted by any other person, nor have I copied text from a website or other source. (NOTE: Your application may be rejected due to plagiarism [*French "plagiat"*].) I understand that I may be required to verify information in this application by providing documentation including (but not limited to) transcripts, test scores, and writing samples. I also understand that intentionally falsifying information in this application could be grounds for disbarment from U.S. Government funded exchange programs.

Signature (Print your full name): \_\_\_\_\_

**SOCIAL MEDIA** (*Facebook – Twitter – Website*)

I give my permission to have my postings used by the U.S. Department of State and/or program implementing partners. This may include photographs, video recordings, tweet, blogs, etc. posted in connection to the program activities.

Signature (Print your full name): \_\_\_\_\_