



Near East & South Asia Undergraduate Exchange Program

Application Deadline: January 10, 2010

The Near East and South Asia Undergraduate Exchange Program, NESAGRAD, is a part of GLOBAL UGRAD, a program of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, U.S. Department of State. NESAGRAD will award scholarships to outstanding students from countries of the Middle East, North Africa and South Asia with one-year, undergraduate, non-degree studies programs in the United States at a diverse network of accredited two- and four-year institutions. Mandatory courses will include U.S. study courses, academic skills training and courses of students' fields of study. Participants will take part in community service as well as an internship. Programs are open to applications of any race, color, religion, national origin, or gender. Persons with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply.

Eligibility for participation in the NESAGRAD is open to anyone who:

- U.A.E .Nationals
- Will complete his/her first, second- or third-year full-time undergraduate study by August 2010;
- Submits a complete application with all required documents by the application deadline;
- Is able to begin the academic exchange program in the United States in late Summer 2010;
- Is able to receive and maintain a J-1 visa;
- Is committed to returning to their home country after completion of the program;
- Is proficient in spoken and written English at the time of application.

Applications:

Application can be found at: <http://abudhabi.usembassy.gov/>

CHECKLIST FOR COMPLETE APPLICATION:

Before submitting your application to the address CulturalExchangesUAE@state.gov, please be sure you have included all of the following REQUIRED components:

- Completed, signed NESAGRAD Undergraduate Exchange Program application form
- Personal statement in English, 350-500 words, typed
- Copy of the data/photo pages of your passport
- Official transcripts for years of university study
- Official results of the secondary school leaving exam
- Three letters of recommendation from teachers/professors
- TOEFL® or ITP TOEFL® score report

Contact: CulturalExchangesUAE@state.gov