

APPLICATION FORM

Background

One of the objectives of the Turkish Coalition of America (TCA) is to foster friendship, understanding and cooperation between the United States and Turkey. As part of this, TCA established the Study Abroad Scholarship Program for American Students of Minority and Heritage Communities to encourage American undergraduate and graduate students of African, Armenian, Bosnian, Filipino, Hispanic, Macedonian, and Native American descent to participate in a language program or university study abroad program in Turkey, the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC), or Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH).

TCA will award scholarships in the amount of \$500, \$1,000 or \$2,000 per year to eligible students who have been accepted to a language program or university study abroad program in Turkey, the TRNC, or BiH through a language institution, American educational institution, or study abroad provider. Programs can last for an academic year, a semester, a summer, or can be a shorter university/college-sponsored study tour.

Eligibility

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- U.S. citizen or permanent resident (permanent residents must include a copy of their green card with their application);
- Of African, Armenian, Bosnian, Filipino, Hispanic/Latino, Macedonian, or Native American descent;
- Enrolled full-time and in good standing at an accredited U.S. college or university;
- Accepted into a language program or study abroad program at a university in Turkey, the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, or Bosnia and Herzegovina; and
- Willing to share your experiences with your peers and the TCA community, especially via TCA's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/TurkishCoalitionofAmerica.

How to Apply

Applications MUST include:

- **Completed application** form with picture;
- **Documentation verifying acceptance** into a study abroad program in Turkey, the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, or Bosnia and Herzegovina. A copy of your acceptance letter from the school or organization with whom you will study is preferred;
- **A resume**; and
- **An official transcript**. Must be original; transcripts may NOT be sent separately.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Upon the acceptance of application, TCA will mail a check directly to the address provided on the application. Please note that TCA's Scholarship Program is limited to providing a scholarship of \$500 to \$2,000 per student to help cover travel and/or living expenses. TCA is not responsible for placing students at Turkish universities, finding housing, internships or other forms of financing.

Please print or type out the application in black or blue ink.

Please attach a picture and make sure to use paperclips and not staples.

All application materials must be submitted to:

Attn: Scholarships, Turkish Coalition of America, 1510 H St., NW, Suite 900, Washington, DC 20005

Application Information



Name: _____

Email: _____

Alternative Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Current Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Where would you like to receive your scholarship check? Current Address Permanent Address

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY): ____/____/____

Place of Birth: (City) _____ (Country) _____

Are you a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident*: Yes No *(*Please submit copy of your passport/green card)*

Background: African American Armenian American Bosnian American Filipino American
 Hispanic American Macedonian American American Indian/Alaska Native/Native Hawaiian*
*(*Please submit proof of tribal enrollment.)*

School: _____

Academic Level: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Grad Student, if so year: _____

Major: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

With which organization/school are you going abroad? _____

Name of School Abroad: _____

Who is your study abroad advisor? Please provide email and phone number.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

When do you leave for Turkey, TRNC, or BiH? ____/____/____

When is your expected date of return to the U.S.? ____/____/____

How did you hear about the TCA scholarships?

How do you plan to inform your peers about study abroad in Turkey and TCA scholarships?

Acknowledgment, Agreement and Signature

I hereby certify, acknowledge and agree as follows:

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information I have provided in this application and my supporting documents are true and correct.

I have not knowingly withheld any facts or circumstances that could mislead TCA.

By submitting this application, I am giving my approval for TCA to verify all information I have provided and when requested, I will fully cooperate with TCA in this endeavor.

I understand it is my responsibility to ensure that my application and all supporting documents are clearly marked with my name and submitted to TCA.

I understand and agree that (i) the scholarship decision is solely made by TCA at its absolute discretion; (ii) such decision shall be deemed final; and (iii) such decision shall not be subject to further review, reconsideration, challenge or appeal.

I agree to actively sharing my experience in Turkey with TCA via Facebook, email, Twitter and other online communication and social media tools.

I agree to inform my study abroad office and my fellow peers about TCA, Turkey and TCA scholarships.

In the event I fail to participate in the study abroad program in Turkey, I agree to reimburse TCA for the full amount of the scholarship, except for conditions beyond my control as determined by TCA.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____