Thomas Jefferson Scholarship Program 2022-2023

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What is the Thomas Jefferson Scholarship Program?

- Provides opportunities for outstanding undergraduate university/institute students from Tunisia for an academic year of non-degree study at accredited four-year colleges and universities in the United States

- Participants gain a deeper understanding of the United States as well as new skills and knowledge to help them contribute to Tunisia's economic growth and development

- Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State with funding provided by the United States Government and supported in its implementation by IREX

What is included in the Scholarship?

The Thomas Jefferson Scholarship Program provides:

- J-1 visa support;
- Round-trip travel from student's home city to host institution in the United States;
- Tuition and mandatory university fees;
- Room and board (housing and meals);
- Small incidentals allowance;
- Limited allowance for books;
- Accident and sickness coverage;
- A wide variety of alumni networking and training opportunities

Am I eligible?

Am I eligible* for the 2022-2023 Thomas Jefferson Scholarship Program?	
I am currently pursuing a Bachelor's degree (*License*) at a Tunisian ISET (*Institut Supérieur des Etudes Technologiques*), ISSAT (*Institut Supérieur des Sciences Appliquées et de Technologie*) or IHET (*Institut des Hautes Etudes Touristiques*).	YES
I am currently pursuing a Bachelor's degree (*License*) at an institute or faculty within the Tunisian university system that is NOT an ISSAT (*Institut Supérieur des Sciences Appliquées et de Technologie*) or an IHET (*Institut des Hautes Etudes Touristiques*).	YES
I am currently pursuing a Master's degree or PhD.	NO
I plan to graduate from the full-time Bachelor's degree program I am currently enrolled in during the summer of 2023, 2024, or later.	YES
I plan to graduate from my Bachelor's degree program during the summer of 2022.	NO

* Please see application instructions for additional eligibility requirements.

Thomas Jefferson Scholarship Program

- Attend U.S. universities and 4-year colleges

- University coursework includes courses in field of study and American studies

- 1-3 Thomas Jefferson Scholars per host institution

- Open to a broad variety of technical and non-technical fields of study

What does the application include?

- General background information & visa history

- Academic history

- Past extracurricular/work experience

- Short answers

- Essays

- 2 Reference Forms

Tips for short answers and essays

- Use concrete examples

- Don't be afraid to start over

- Don't copy another person's ideas or work without giving credit! (you will be disqualified)

- Be yourself - don't try too hard to impress the reader

- Revise it at least three times

How to submit your application

- All applications must be submitted **online**
- https://oas.irex.org/tjsp

Thomas Jefferson Scholarship Program's Scholar Application

Welcome to the IREX Online Application System. You can use this system to prepare and submit your scholar application for the 2022-2023 Thomas Jefferson Scholarship Program.

If you are a returning applicant, please use the form to the right to log in with your existing username and password. You can also click the "I forgot my username/password" link for help retrieving your login information.

If you are a new applicant, please click the button below to begin the registration process.

New Applicant: Register

Start New Application

Returning Applicant: Sign In

Username *(Email Address)**

youremail@hosting.com

Password*

Sign In

I forgot my username/password

Tips for submitting online

- **Read the application instructions first!**

- You may save your application and return to it later

- After your references have submitted their reference forms, you need to click submit
  - **If you miss this step, your application will not be submitted!**

Selection process

- Merit-based, open competition

- The Thomas Jefferson Scholarship Program does not discriminate against applicants on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, or any other protected characteristic as established by U.S. law.

- All applications are first reviewed for technical eligibility

- Eligible applications are read, evaluated & ranked by panel of higher education specialists

- Highest rankings = Semi-finalists

- Semi-finalists are interviewed and take the TOEFL test

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Application Deadline:
Monday, November 22, 2021
by 5:00 pm! (Tunisia time)