



2025-2026 Thomas Jefferson Scholarship Program

Acquire new skills and professional experience while studying in the United States!

The Thomas Jefferson Scholarship Program provides opportunities for full-time undergraduate university/institute students from Tunisia to spend one academic year of non-degree study at a U.S. university or college. Through academic opportunities, professional engagement, and leadership development, TJSP fosters economic growth, stability, and democratic development in Tunisia by equipping a network of youth with essential skills to lead positive change in their professional fields and communities.



Deadline: Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at 5:00 PM (Tunisia Time)

Program Activities

Attend classes full-time for one academic year and complete an online leadership curriculum.

Perform at least 20 hours of community service in U.S. host community during the first semester.

Complete a part-time professional internship during the second semester.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants must:

- Be a Tunisian citizen and currently reside in Tunisia;
- Be enrolled as a full-time, undergraduate, university/institute student in good academic standing at the time of application at a registered academic institution in Tunisia;
 - **Eligible applicants must be in their second year of undergraduate education or above.** Students in their first year or final year of undergraduate study at the time of application are not eligible to apply for the TJSP program.
- Be able to receive a U.S. J-1 visa;
- Be at least 18 years old by July 1, 2025;
- Be committed to returning to Tunisia after completion of the program for a period of two years in accordance with the United States Department of State's J-1 visa regulations
- Be able to achieve a Duolingo English Test (DET) score of at least 100; and
- Complete the academic year prior to study in the United States in good standing with a passing average (aka *moyenne générale*)

Funding, selection, and additional information

This is a fully funded scholarship. The Thomas Jefferson Scholarship Program is made possible by the generous support of the American people through the United States Department of State and implemented by IREX. Participants are selected through an open, merit-based competition.

See application instructions for further details, eligibility requirements and selection criteria. For application and additional information, please visit <https://www.irex.org/project/tjsp>.

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