



PROFESSIONAL
FELLOWS



ANNOUNCEMENT THE SPRING 2019 YSEALI PROFESSIONAL FELLOWS PROGRAM

The U.S. Mission to Vietnam seeks candidates for the Spring 2019 Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative (YSEALI) Professional Fellows Program on Civic Engagement, Economic Empowerment, Governance and Society, Sustainable Development and the Environment. **The application deadline is November 16, 2018. You must be a YSEALI member to apply.**

The Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative (YSEALI) is a public diplomacy program of the U.S. Department of State designed to advance regional strategic goals, break down barriers that separate the next generation of leaders in ASEAN, and link those emerging leaders to the United States. Sign up for free here: <https://asean.usmission.gov/yseali/>.

The YSEALI Professional Fellows Program is a two-way, global exchange program designed to promote mutual understanding, enhance leadership and professional skills, as well as build lasting, sustainable partnerships between mid-level emerging leaders from foreign countries and the United States. The YSEALI Professional Fellows Program brings emerging leaders from around the world to the United States for intensive five-to-six week fellowships designed to broaden their professional skills and expertise. An integral part of the two-way program is for American participants who have hosted foreign fellows to travel overseas for participant-driven reciprocal programs.

What do Professional Fellows do in the United States?

Fellows are placed in non-profit organizations, private businesses, and local government offices across the country for individually-tailored professional development experiences. The fellows build a broad network with Americans and other foreign fellows, and develop a deeper understanding of U.S. society. Participants also develop individual action plans to address a challenge in their community or region to be implemented when they return home.

ELIGIBILITY:

- ✓ 25-35 years old;
- ✓ A citizen and current resident of either: Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Timor-Leste or Vietnam;
- ✓ Speak fluent English (participants will work full-time in a U.S. worksite);
- ✓ Interested in participating in a reciprocal program for Americans coming to your country;
- ✓ Have at least two years relevant work experience and be currently employed;
- ✓ Have demonstrated leadership and collaborative skills; and
- ✓ YSEALI Member

HOW TO APPLY:

Theme: Civic Engagement, hosted by University of Montana

Apply online: <http://www.umt.edu/mansfield/internationalprograms/yseali-civic-engagement/default.php>

Theme: Economic Empowerment, hosted by American Councils

Apply online: <https://ais.americancouncils.org/pfp>

Theme: Governance and Society, hosted by American Councils of Young Political Leaders (ACYPL)

Apply online: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ACYPLYSEALIPFP_Spring2019_Application

Theme: Sustainable Development and the Environment, hosted by International City/County Management Association (ICMA)

Apply online: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Spring19_YSEALI_ICMA

ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES CAN SEND ANY QUESTIONS TO:

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