Community College Initiative (CCI) 2021-2022

The Binational Fulbright Commission in Egypt is pleased to announce the AY2021-2022 Community College Initiative (CCI), a program sponsored by the U.S. Department of State. CCI Participants spend one academic year at a community college in the United States and may earn certificates in their fields of study. Participants will take academic or professional coursework and gain first-hand practical experience through internships.

**ELIGIBLE FIELDS**

- Agriculture
- Early Childhood Education
- Public Safety
- Applied Engineering
- Information Technology (IT)
- Business Management/Admin
- Media
- Tourism and Hospitality Management

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

1. Egyptian Citizenship.
2. Age between 21 and 30.
3. Has completed a secondary (technical or general) degree or its equivalent with a minimum grade of 70%.
4. Highest Educational Degree:
   - Bachelor’s degrees: B.A. holders must have a minimum of 2 years’ recent work experience in the field of application, which must be other than the field in which the B.A. was attained.
5. Proof of English Language proficiency from any of the approved test centers (check our website for details on approved test centers). Applicants must submit an official valid score report for only one of the following tests:
   - TOEFL ITP – minimum required score of 400
   - TOEFL iBT – minimum required scores of 32-40
   - Academic or General IELTS – minimum overall score of 4.5 (no required score for each section)
   - English language proficiency administered by Egyptian universities – minimum required score of 400
6. Has limited or no overseas study/living experience.
7. Is able to receive and maintain a U.S. J-1 visa.
8. Is willing and physically able (with accommodations as required) to complete the program in its entirety including activities or travel that may be programmed on any day of the week.
9. Applicants must be residing in Egypt throughout the application, selection, placement and pre-departure processes and are committed to returning to Egypt after completion of the program.
10. Is able to begin the academic exchange program in the U.S. in July 2021.
11. Male applicants must have military service exemption/postponement at the time of application.
12. Qualified women are encouraged to apply.
13. People with disabilities and candidates from ALL Egyptian Governorates are encouraged to apply.
REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- **Application Form:** Applicants must provide complete information for all questions and send the application form as an attachment to **CCI@bfce.eun.eg** by the application deadline.

- **Essay Questions:** The CCI program seeks applicants that have developed a sense of personal integrity and are original thinkers. Copying someone else’s writing, whether from the Internet, from a book or from a friend is considered **plagiarism.** Any quoted words or sentences should include a citation. An applicant who is found to have plagiarized in any form (including unintentional or accidental plagiarism) in his or her application will be disqualified. For further information about plagiarism and citation, please click on the following link: [https://fulbright-egypt.org/resources/](https://fulbright-egypt.org/resources/). All content in applications must be the applicant’s original contribution and his/her own intellectual property. Having someone else write or contribute to the writing of an individual’s application, either fully or partially, does not uphold the standards of integrity expected of grantees and may result in the ineligibility of your application.

- Clear Scanned Copy of original **secondary school certificate** in English and Arabic (3-year technical secondary school, 5-year technical secondary school or General secondary school).

- Clear Scanned Copy of original **secondary school transcript** (with subjects and grades) in English and Arabic.

- In addition to the above, **bachelor’s degree holders and graduates of 2-year Higher Institutes** must also submit a clear scanned copy of the original certificate and transcript (with subjects and grades) in English and Arabic for their post-secondary studies.

- **English Test Results.** Provide valid, official English test score report.

- Copy of passport or national ID

- Male applicants must submit proof of military services status / Exemption.

2021-2022 PROGRAM


- **Application Deadline:** Saturday, January 9, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.

- **Interviews for short-listed applicants:** January / February 2021

- **Nominations Results:** March 2021

- **Placement for Nominees:** April / May 2021

- **Program Start Date:** July / August 2021

**ONLINE INFORMATION SESSIONS ON ZOOM:** November 25th, December 2nd and December 8th from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Q&A Live Sessions for Applicants: December 30 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Registration is through the commission’s website. (limited spaces available)

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