



The French Embassy in the United States is launching the Lafayette Fellowship, a new scholarship program designed to support the next generation of young leaders with a strong interest in the transatlantic relationship.



Scan the QR code above to learn more about the program requirements and to sign up to receive an update when applications become available in late August.

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Announcing the Lafayette Fellowship, a New Opportunity for Graduate Studies in France for Tomorrow's Leaders

Who?

- Supporting up to 30 outstanding American students under the age of 27 (as of July 1, 2026).
- Applicants must be in possession of a bachelor's degree from a U.S. institution (obtained between August 2023 and June 2026) with a minimum GPA of 3.7.
- Open to students across STEM, humanities, social sciences, and the arts, with an interest in addressing global challenges in a French-American context.
- Knowledge of French is not required for acceptance into the program.

What?

- Full funding for one year of master's-level studies in France, including tuition, living expenses, travel, program activities, and administrative costs.
- Includes the French-American Leadership Program, which features lectures, site visits, cultural immersion, and mentorship support aimed at developing the next generation of transatlantic leaders.

Where?

- 15 leading academic institutions across France with internationally ranked programs in the fields of STEM, humanities, social sciences, and the arts. [Click here](#) or scan the QR code to view the list of participating institutions.
- Program activities across France (Paris, Strasbourg, etc.).

When?

- Applications open in late August 2025 for the 2026-2027 academic year.
- The year-long program begins in July 2026 with a summer school in Paris and southern France, includes a gathering in Strasbourg in December 2026, and concludes with an event in June 2027.
- Alumni events will be held in Washington, D.C., New York, and in other major U.S. cities.

How to Apply?

- Applications will open in late August 2025. [Click here](#) or scan the QR code for more information.
- Candidates must apply for admission to one of the partner institutions as well as complete a separate Lafayette Fellowship program application. The awarding of the scholarship is conditional upon admission to one of the partner institutions.
- Application materials include a transcript, cover letter, resume, personal statement in a video format, and three letters of recommendation, including two academic letters and one extracurricular letter.

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