

# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

## ELIGIBILITY

### **Am I eligible if I am 25 and XX months?**

If you are still 25 by the time of the application, you are eligible to apply to the YSEALI STEM Education Workshop. If you are 26 or over, you will not be considered.

### **Am I eligible if I have been to other YSEALI workshops?**

Priorities are given to those who have not attended YSEALI workshops before. However, you will still be considered if you have been to other YSEALI workshops.

### **How can I become a YSEALI member?**

To become a YSEALI Member, please register at <https://asean.usmission.gov/yseali/>. You will be asked to fill in your name, email address, year of birth, country of citizenship, and interests.

### **Is there a required educational background? What if I do not have a STEM background?**

We accept applicants coming from various backgrounds who are interested in advancing STEM education in their home countries. The program does not require participants to have technical or STEM-related background.

### **Do I have to have work experience?**

We do not require that participants have any work experience. However, if you have volunteered or interned at a relevant institution, you may choose to include that in your work experience.

### **Am I eligible to apply if I am a citizen of one of the ASEAN countries, but have been living outside of ASEAN?**

Yes, anyone who is a citizen of one of the ASEAN countries is eligible.

### **Am I eligible to apply if I am NOT a citizen of one of the ASEAN countries, but have been living in ASEAN for a long time?**

No, you must be a citizen of one of the ASEAN countries to be eligible for this workshop.

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

### **How can I apply to the workshop?**

Interested applicants must apply via the [online application](#). We do not accept CVs sent to our email.

### **I do not have a GPA at my current university yet. What should I do?**

If you have just started college, and do not have a GPA, simply put in "N/A" in your application form and explain why.

### **Can I submit the video introduction later? (See more info on video introduction [here](#).)**

Applicants must provide a link to the video introduction as required for the application to be complete. Applicants must make sure that they have the video ready before submitting the application.

### **What should I include in my CV?**

Your CV should provide information on your educational and professional background and other

details that you may not be able to include in the application. This includes extra-curricular work, achievements, and other related activities.

**Do I need to provide my transcript?**

Transcript is not required nor recommended for the application to the workshop.

**WORKSHOP-RELATED ACTIVITIES**

**What will I do at the YSEALI STEM Education Workshop?**

Participants in the workshop will have an opportunity to participate in informational sessions, discussions on STEM education and challenges, and break-out sessions on different topics and group presentations. They will also be asked to work together in groups to propose a STEM education-related project in their home country.

**Do I need to prepare anything prior to the workshop?**

Participants will be asked to review some of the materials related to the theme of the workshop. They will also be asked to familiarize themselves with their team members and to start making plans for their proposed STEM education-related project.

**Am I expected to do anything after I finish the workshop?**

Participants are expected to carry out their proposed projects in their home country. They are encouraged to stay in touch with their mentors and other workshop participants to discuss ideas, share experiences, and build a network of youths who are passionate about advancing STEM education. For example, participants may write a blog post about what they do after they return from the workshop to promote STEM in their community.

**LOGISTICS**

**Is the program cost covered for the participants?**

All program costs including flight/transportation, meals, and accommodation will be covered. Please note that only flights within the 10 ASEAN countries are eligible; additional costs are the responsibility of participants. We do not cover cost associated with passports.

**Can I apply to the workshop if I do not have passport at the moment?**

We do not require passport information for applicants to submit their applications. However, once selected, you will be asked to provide passport information so that we can arrange flights and other logistical support. The participants will be required to present a passport that is valid at least 6 months from the departure date.

Please note that participants from Cambodia do not need a passport to participate in this workshop as it will be conducted in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

**Where is the workshop taking place?**

The workshop will take place in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Information about venue will be available later.

**Can I bring my family?**

We do not cover cost for family nor can we accommodate family in this workshop. Schedule will be very tight for participants to spend any time with their family during the duration of the workshop; therefore, we do not recommend bringing any family members with you.

**Must I stay for the entire period of the workshop?**

Participants must be able to participate fully in the workshop, which will take place from February

28<sup>th</sup> to March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. In addition, prior to the workshop, participants are required to take part in all pre-workshop activities.