

# NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON UNITED STATES-CHINA RELATIONS

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## U.S.-CHINA STUDENT LEADERS EXCHANGE · 2009 APPLICATION ·

**PLEASE RETURN THIS APPLICATION VIA EMAIL (jlowet@ncuscr.org) OR FAX (212-645-1695, attn. Jonathan Lowet). APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY 12 NOON, FRIDAY, MAY 15. PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY. IF YOU NEED ADDITIONAL SPACE, YOU MAY INCLUDE ANSWERS ON A SEPARATE SHEET(S). ESSAY QUESTIONS ARE LISTED ON PAGE 2.**

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Full Name (as it appears on passport): \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender (M/F): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers:

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Home: \_\_\_\_\_

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Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

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Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth (City & State): \_\_\_\_\_

Passport # and Expiration Date (if available): \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended College/Fall Plans: \_\_\_\_\_

Summer '09 Plans: \_\_\_\_\_

Extracurricular activities & hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Past travel outside the United States: \_\_\_\_\_

Foreign languages spoken/studied: \_\_\_\_\_

In addition to being named a Presidential Scholar, what other awards, fellowships, and/or scholarships have you received? \_\_\_\_\_

If asked to participate in a talent show, what would you do? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list three words that a friend might use to describe you:

a) \_\_\_\_\_ b) \_\_\_\_\_ c) \_\_\_\_\_

**ESSAYS: WITHIN THE WORD LIMITS PROVIDED, PLEASE ANSWER THE EACH OF FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. SUBMIT YOUR ESSAYS WITH THE REST OF YOUR APPLICATION.**

1. What book might you recommend to a Chinese counterpart to help him or her understand your world? Please explain in 375 words or less.
2. Imagine that, as a graduation present, a relative offers to take you on a summer trip to wherever you'd like – in the United States or abroad. The only place the relative won't take you is China.
  - A. Where would you propose going and why? Please explain in 375 words or less.
  - B. Provide a rough itinerary that outlines the activities on two days of your trip.
3. Describe an experience in which you dealt with someone different from yourself. The experience can be cross-cultural, intergenerational, interracial, etc. What was interesting or difficult about the experience? Please explain in 500 words or less.
4. Draft a short personal introduction (approximately 200 words and written in the third-person) that, should you be selected to participate, could be incorporated into a brochure distributed to our Chinese partner organization and the Chinese host families.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

*Please be aware that SLE participants are asked to contribute \$350 toward the cost of domestic and international airfare, but a limited amount of money may be available for travel assistance. Please let us know what you would be able to contribute:*

(Check **one** box only)

I would be able to contribute \$350.

I would be able to contribute \$\_\_\_\_\_ and would require financial assistance for the balance.