

2009 TCAdvance Scholarship Program

APPLICATION

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I. Personal Information

Name (Last, First and Middle Name)

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year): ___ / ___ / ___ Place of Birth: _____ Gender: _____

E-mail: _____ Primary Phone: _____

II. Education

Please write below the name and address of the school you will be attending during the scholarship year. (Note: if you will be attending a school that is different from your current school during the scholarship year, please submit a proof of admission from the new school (and a copy of your letter notifying your decision to attend). Candidates who cannot produce such proof should provide a brief explanation.

School Name: _____ (During the scholarship year)

School Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Year in School : (During the scholarship year)

High School Senior:

College: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Graduate: Master Doctorate

III. Education History

Current Education:

Check this box if your current school is same as the above

Current School Name: _____

School Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Year in School : High School Senior: []

College: Freshman [] Sophomore [] Junior [] Senior []

Graduate: Master [] Doctorate []

Major: _____ Degree: _____

Expected date of graduation: _____

GPA (on a 4.0 scale): (/4.0)

Note: This GPA must match the GPA stated in your official transcript(s) (if your GPA is not on a 4.0 scale, please convert it into a 4.0 scale) – if the above GPA is different from your transcript GPA, please explain below:

Your plans upon graduation from college or graduate school

For High School Seniors Only:

SAT or ACT Score: Total: [] Date taken: []

Math: [] Critical Reading: [] Writing: []

Education History

Please list all colleges and graduate schools you've attended - or are now attending - in chronological order, starting with your current (or most recent) school. High school students (current or during the scholarship year) should list all high schools attended.

Names of school attended	City & State	Dates of Attendance	Degree(s) received

List and briefly describe all extracurricular, civic, volunteer and community activities, special skills and hobbies.

List and briefly describe all distinctions, honors and awards (including scholarships or grants) you've received. (Indicate the basis of selection for any award that is not well-known and any amount you received this year in scholarship as well as any amount in scholarship you expect to receive during the scholarship year.)

Please explain your Turkish heritage or ancestry.

Please provide any other information that you would like us to consider in reviewing your application. This section should be as brief as possible. There is no penalty for leaving this section blank.

IV. Recommendations:

- (a) List below **two** faculty members who best know your academic qualifications, including your academic performance, potential, and motivation.
- (b) Request these individuals to send letters of recommendation directly to TCA.
- (c) You may have **one** non-faculty person who has known you for more than two years to submit to TCA his or her recommendation on your behalf.

Name	Address	Position

V. Financial Need (Optional):

If you wish that special consideration is given to financial need, please fill out the section below. If the occupation is 'self-employed', please provide a brief job description.

Father's name: _____

Occupation: _____ Gross annual income: \$ _____

Mother's name: _____

Occupation: _____ Gross annual income: \$ _____

Spouse's name: _____

Occupation: _____ Gross annual income: \$ _____

Name (s) and age (s) of persons dependent on your parents/spouse's income:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

VI: How did you hear about us?

Parents _____ Friends _____ Web Search _____ School Counselor _____

Other (Please explain): _____

VII. [TCAdvance Ambassador Program]

The annual renewal of TCA Scholarships is conditional upon maintaining a minimum GPA of 3.3, as well as on candidates' involvement in the Turkish American community. To help you fulfill your commitment to the Turkish American community, TCA has identified four areas of involvement. Please indicate which "Ambassador" title would best suit your interests, you may choose more than one area. Please note that you are expected to provide regular updates on your activities in these areas :

<p>Education:</p> <p><u>Mentorship Ambassador</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Become a mentor to fellow Turkish Americans by sharing your experiences and exposing them to your community.</i></p> <p><u>Event/Workshop Ambassador</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Attend events and workshops on issues affecting Turkish Americans. Communicate with Media Ambassadors to share your observations.</i></p>	<p>Arts & Culture:</p> <p><u>Arts & Culture Ambassador</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Spearhead and support events promoting Turkish culture on your campus and beyond.</i></p>
<p>Media:</p> <p><u>Wikipedia/Media Monitoring Ambassador</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Be a gatekeeper by ensuring the accurate portrayal of Turkey and Turkish Americans in the media.</i></p> <p><u>Social Media/Social Networking Sites Ambassador</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Master social media tools to foster friendship, understanding and cooperation between US and Turkey and promote Turkish community organizations and programs.</i></p>	<p>Public Policy:</p> <p><u>Grassroots Ambassador</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Communicate with Turkish Student Associations and other youth groups in your area. Help them organize events and lectures to promote Turkish heritage.</i></p> <p><u>Think Tank Ambassador</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Monitor think tank events concerning Turkey.</i></p>

VIII. ESSAY (500 words or less):

In a well developed essay, please tell us the key ways in which you have been able to achieve success both academically and socially. In your discussion, include examples of some of the major obstacles you have faced and how you have been able to overcome these obstacles, as well as how you plan to contribute to the Turkish American community, US-Turkish relations and to Turkey.

IX. ACKNOWLEDGMENT, AGREEMENT AND SIGNATURE

I hereby certify, acknowledge and agree as follows:

1. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information I have provided in this application and my supporting documents are true and correct.
2. I have not knowingly withheld any facts or circumstances that could mislead TCA.
3. By submitting this application, I am giving my approval for TCA to verify all information I have provided to TCA and, when requested, I will fully cooperate with TCA in this endeavor.
4. I agree that TCA may, in its sole and absolute discretion, retract at any time my scholarship from TCA in case my application or any of my supporting documents submitted to TCA contains any false or misleading information.
5. I understand it is my responsibility to ensure that my application and all supporting documents are (i) clearly marked with my name (ii) submitted to TCA by the deadline.
6. I understand and agree that (i) the TCA scholarship decision is made its sole and absolute discretion, (ii) such decision shall be deemed final, and (iii) such decision shall not be subject to further review, reconsideration, challenge or appeal.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Check list:**Application requirements:**

- ❑ 3 copies of completed and signed application form with essay
- ❑ Transcript (s) from each college and graduate school attended
- ❑ A current resume
- ❑ Three letters of recommendation
- ❑ SAT or ACT Scores (for high school students only)

Questions:

Please forward all questions and inquiries about the application process to Zeynep Guven at zguven@tc-america.org.

Thank you for your interest.