# Yale College

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Dear applicants,

Thank you for your application to the Yale Visiting International Student Program (Y-VISP). For your reference, we have included below a checklist of the required Y-VISP application materials.

Y-VISP Application

Please complete each section of this form carefully, paying special attention to the accuracy of your full legal name and your mailing and email addresses.

# **Y-VISP Personal Statements**

Please give careful thought to your responses to the questions posed on this form. The admissions committee is interested in hearing from you, in your own words, about your goals, interests, perspectives—and in how you express yourself.

Y-VISP Faculty Recommendation (2)

Please ask two of your course instructors to write us a letter on your behalf. You should select instructors who have taught you in *academic* subjects, as opposed to subjects like choral music or physical education, however valuable they may be. The most useful recommendations are those that describe your qualities as a student and person, not merely your academic record. You may be able to help your recommenders by describing the Y-VISP program and why you have applied.

You may include an *optional* third recommendation, either from another instructor or from someone else who knows you well and can comment on your strengths. The additional recommendation may come from a mentor, a school official, a colleague—anyone who can help us learn more about you.

### **Y-VISP Coordinator Recommendation**

Although the Y-VISP Coordinator at your institution will be very familiar with the program, you can help him or her support your candidacy most effectively if you communicate your motivations for applying to join Y-VISP.

#### **Academic Records**

Please provide *complete* and *official* records/transcripts of your academic achievement at your institution. The document should include names of courses, credits awarded, and grades/marks earned.

Please assure that a guide to any abbreviations or codes appearing on the form is included, along with a grading/marking scale. The record should also include a listing of courses you are *currently* taking, even if grades/marks are not yet available. Please note: if *official* documents are not available at the time you apply, you may ask your Y-VISP coordinator to submit photocopies of those records—but official records/transcripts would be required before a formal offer of admission to Y-VISP is extended.

You may also include with your academic records any external examination results achieved, particularly those used for university entrance in your country.

## Resume

Please include a 1-2 page resume that includes your academic experience, extracurricular interests, and any work or volunteer experience.

Please contact your institution's Y-VISP Coordinator with any questions about the application process.

Best wilhes,

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