



Columbia University
Double Discovery Center
and Center for American Studies

Freedom and Citizenship

Program Application
2017-2018
Deadline: March 28, 2017

I. Personal Information: Please print legibly

Name _____ Student Cell # _____
Email _____ Date of Birth _____
Address _____
Parent Name _____ Parent Phone _____
High School _____
Guidance Counselor's Name _____

II. Academic Scores and Transcript

Cumulative GPA: _____

Attach a current copy of your high school transcript with this application

PSAT Scores: Crit. Rdg _____ Math _____ Writing _____ Date _____

III. Writing Sample

Please provide a copy of a graded and returned paper submitted to an English or Social Studies class during this school year. The sample should represent your best effort and should have teacher comments and/or a grade in the teacher's handwriting. Please attach or write at the top of the paper the specific instructions that your teacher gave for the assignment

IV. Letter of Recommendation

Ask a teacher or guidance counselor to email a confidential letter addressed to Verushka Gray at VSG2110@Columbia.edu speaking to your ability to handle a heavy academic workload, willingness to participate in class, and your commitment to improving your writing or reading skills.

V. Essay

Respond to the following question with a typed essay of 500 words or less: Should citizens be forced by law to vote in an election? Why or why not?

VI. Statement of Purpose

Attach a statement of purpose approximately 300 words in length explaining why you want to participate in the summer seminar **and** civic leadership program during your senior year.

VII. Signatures

I understand that this program requires my full participation in both the summer and academic year segments. I will attend the summer seminar from July 5 to July 28 and will not be excused from any class, study sessions, or field trips during that time. During the academic year I will attend the twice-monthly meetings to the best of my ability. If I cannot attend a meeting during the academic year for legitimate medical, religious, or academic reasons, I will inform F&C staff in advance and make up any missed work.

The information provided in this application is truthful and the attached written work is my own.

Signature of Student

Date

My parent or guardian understands the commitment I will be making to the F&C program in the summer and academic year and will help me get the most out of my program by not scheduling conflicts during the summer session (July 5-28) or academic year meetings (dates TBA).

Signature of Parent or guardian

Date

Application deadline: February 28, 2017

Email, deliver, or mail complete application to:

Verushka Gray at VSG2110@Columbia.edu

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Letters of recommendation may be sent separately
either by email, mail, or fax.

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