

Free Response. Please type or write neatly on separate sheets of paper.

Please be open and candid in your responses. These essays will help us understand a little more about who you are as a unique individual.

Response #1: Describe your related experience within your proposed field of study. How would this program of study build on your past education, training, and/or experience? If you are new to this field, why did you choose this field? Your response helps us to match your interests with college programs. **(Your response should be a minimum of 250 words and a maximum of 750 words.)**

Response #2: Why are you applying for the CCI Program? Describe the goals that you intend to accomplish during the CCI Program. Consider the five pillars of the CCI Program (*academics, cultural exchange, service learning, internships, and leadership and community impact*), and how they will integrate together to help you reach your goals in the short- and long-term. **(Your response should be a minimum of 200 words and a maximum of 700 words.)**

Response #3: If you could make one change in your community, what would it be? What activities would you complete 6-12 months *after returning home* from the CCI Program to improve this community issue? Please be specific. **(Your response should be a minimum of 200 words and a maximum of 700 words.)**

Response #4: The CCI Program is an intensive program with high expectations. Describe a challenging situation or a disappointment in your educational, professional, or personal life where you demonstrated resilience and perseverance. Describe how you approached the situation or disappointment and what you learned from it. Please be specific. **(Your response should be a minimum of 200 words and a maximum of 700 words.)**

Response #5: Describe a time when you had to work with someone whose opinions/beliefs/views were different from your own. How did you demonstrate leadership and openness to manage the situation and overcome the conflict? **(Your response should be a minimum of 200 words and a maximum of 700 words.)**

How did you learn about the CCI Program?

- U.S. Embassy or Fulbright Commission
- College/University
- Non-Government Organization (NGO)
- CCI alumni
- Family or friend
- Social media post
- Other