

Nyah Project Passport Instructions

All participants must have an official **passport** in order to participate in the Global Youth Leadership Fellowship.

If you don't yet have a US Passport, please [apply](#) immediately.

If you have a non-US passport, please inform Nyah Project staff as entry visa requirements may differ for fellowship travel.

Nyah Project Deadlines

If you do not have a passport, or your passport will expire in the next 12 months, please [apply](#) immediately and let us know that you are in the process of obtaining a US Passport. Note that we often must apply for international visas for entry to our fellowship destination, so it is important to have your valid passport on hand by the stated program deadlines to meet travel participation deadlines.

Ex: If you apply in Spring 2024 for the 2024-'25 Global Youth Leadership Fellowship and are selected, your cohort will travel the summer of 2025 (the end of the 14 month fellowship program). You need a passport valid through December 21, 2025.

How to Apply

General information regarding obtaining your passport is available online [via the US State Department's website](#):

- [First Time Passport \(under 16\)](#)
- [First Time Passport \(16 & 17\)](#)
- [First Time Passport \(18+\)](#)

Application Forms

- [First Time US Passport Applicant Form](#)
- [Renewal US Passport Application Form](#)

Suggested Passport Agencies or Processing Facilities:

- [Miami Passport Agency](#), 1501 Biscayne Blvd., Suite #400, Miami, FL 33132
- [Miami-Dade Public Library Systems](#) (North Dade & South Dade branches)
- [City of Sweetwater Passport Office](#) (Monday - Saturday walk-ins for the first 90 applicants)
- [Broward County Courthouses](#) (4 locations)
- Special Passport Acceptance Events

- [City of Miramar](#) has monthly walk in events (March 13 & 20, April 3)
- [Special Passport Acceptance Fairs \(subject to change\)](#)
- [Search online via the US State Department's website](#) for an alternative location that may be more geographically convenient for you.
- Try [contacting Senator Marco Rubio](#) - several people have had success in getting passports quickly by working with his office

Application Processing Times*

- Routine 6-8 Weeks
- Expedited** 2-4 Weeks
- Expedited at Agency Must have upcoming travel within 14-28 days
(RESTRICTIONS APPLY)

**Processing times begin the day your application is received at a passport agency or center, not the day you mail your application or apply. It does NOT include mailing times.*

****Nyah Project Expedited Letter**

Should you choose to apply for an expedited passport, you may request an Expedited Passport Request Letter from Nyah Project staff via email info@nyahproject.org with the subject line "Expedited Passport Request Letter".

Should you need assistance or additional documentation, please send an email to info@nyahproject.org with Subject Line: "Passport Assistance for Fellowship".

Fees

[Please review the current US Passport fee chart](#), updated January 2022

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