

Dear Colleague,

I am pleased to announce that New York University Abu Dhabi is now accepting nominations for outstanding students who are interested in applying to join NYU Abu Dhabi's Class of 2019 (entering in August 2015).

This year is momentous for NYU Abu Dhabi as we have our first graduating class! I am happy to share that the Class of 2014 includes a Rhodes and Truman scholar, as well as two inaugural Falcon scholars all of whom have earned the opportunity to study at the University of Oxford next year. Our students have also already been accepted to master's and Ph.D. programs in disciplines spanning biology, economics, engineering, education, math, psychology, and physics, and to medical and law schools, including Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Stanford, Oxford, MIT, Cornell, Penn, Columbia, and NYU. Still others will pursue professional opportunities at non-profit organizations, trading firms, multinational corporations, advertising agencies, film companies, and museums.

We hope to partner with you through NYU Abu Dhabi's nomination process to identify future students who embody this level of exceptional achievement and potential. Your deep knowledge of your students, schools, and communities helps us understand which students are right for NYU Abu Dhabi. While both academic and personal excellence are the fundamental qualities of a strong nominee, other essential characteristics to consider include a student's fluency in English, level of maturity, ability to communicate respectfully with their peers, independence, and resilience. There's also that NYUAD "spark" a spirit of inquiry, cultural awareness, commitment to changing the world, and excitement about taking a different path.

The first nomination deadline for this admissions cycle is **May 10, 2014**. Although nominations for students who will enter university in August 2015 are accepted until December 1, 2014, those submitted in May are extremely valuable in highlighting students to the NYUAD Admissions Committee on an earlier timeframe, and ensure that each nomination is linked to the student's application as soon as he or she applies this is critical as we read applications for admission. Additionally, May nominees will have a longer timeframe to learn about NYU Abu Dhabi and to discuss it with their families.

To learn more about the nomination process, please visit <http://nyuad.nyu.edu/admissions/information-for-counselors/nomination-overview.html>

To nominate a student, please create an account on the secure [nomination portal](#), which will allow you to store documents, and save, track, and submit nominations. If you have nominated in the past, you do not need to create a new account; please use the same login and password information you set up previously. If you have forgotten your password you can reset it using the "Forgot Username or Password" link on the page listed above.

Thank you in advance for your submissions. The information you provide allows us to have a much fuller picture of your students, including the qualifications, attributes, and special qualities that might make them a strong match for the unique opportunity of attending NYU Abu Dhabi. We look forward to reviewing your nominations.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your regional outreach officer who can help guide you through the process. Contact details can be found [here](#).

With best wishes,

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