



# Application for Admission

Please complete this application and submit each of the following:

Introductory Information • Four Essays • Five Short Answers • Academic Writing Sample • Resume • \$35.00 Application Fee

Other required submissions can be sent separately by the designated deadlines:

Official College/University Transcripts • Three Reference Forms

Application materials should be sent to: Trinity Forum Academy, Admissions | PO Box 249 | Royal Oak, MD 21662

## Introductory Information

Full Name

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip Code

Permanent Address (if different from above)

City

State

Zip Code

Phone Number

E-mail

Date of Birth

Gender

Marital Status

I was nominated to Trinity Forum Academy by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominator Name (please note that a nomination is not required)

Name of College or University / Location / Year Completed

Major(s) / Minor(s)

GPA

Graduate Degrees / Year Completed

Church Affiliation

Applying for:

- Early Decision (deadline November 20, 2009; notified of status by December 17, 2009)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Round (deadline January 29, 2010; notified by February 26, 2010)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Round (deadline March 10, 2010; notified by April 9, 2010)

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## Essay Questions

Answer each question in a 300 to 400 word essay.

- 1) Identify what you feel God is calling you to in the future (personal goals, professional fields, issues to address, etc).
- 2) How would you make the most of nine months at Trinity Forum Academy to pursue and clarify this calling?
- 3) Give an account of your Christian journey and explain how your faith shapes your personal life and professional goals.
- 4) Please answer one of the following:
  - a) What are three books that best characterize your main interests and have affected your thinking and life the most? Explain why.
  - b) Who are three leaders that have impacted your thinking and life the most? Explain why.
  - c) Describe a time when you deeply held a belief but later changed your mind. What was the change and how were you convinced of the new conclusion?

## Short Answer Questions

Please provide the following information.

- 1) If you have been out of school for at least six months, describe what you have been doing during that time.
- 2) Describe, beginning with the most important, the positions of leadership and responsibility which you have held. What are your strengths and weaknesses as a leader?
- 3) If you have studied or worked abroad, tell where, how long, and briefly describe the program of study.
- 4) If you plan to pursue additional education in the future, describe the kind of study you would like to undertake, including the degree(s), the subject matter, and when you intend to apply.
- 5) Please list or explain extracurricular involvement and honors/achievements not included or described in your resume.

## Certification

I hereby declare that all the information I have supplied is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Applicant's Signature

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Date



# Faculty Reference Form

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# Applicant Assessment

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## Leadership

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- \_\_\_\_\_ Demonstrates honesty and integrity of character
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## Relationship in Community

Fellows live, work and study alongside peers from various backgrounds and traditions. Please rate how the applicant:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Cooperates and gets along well with peers; works well in a team
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- \_\_\_\_\_ Genuinely cares for others
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## Written Recommendation:

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# Church Leader Reference Form

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