



FOREIGN LANGUAGE & AREA STUDIES
SUMMER INTENSIVE LANGUAGE FELLOWSHIPS FOR
THE STUDY OF
CHINESE, JAPANESE, OR KOREAN

We are pleased to announce the opening of competition for the SUMMER Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships (FLASFs) for 2008. The FLASFs are authorized under Title VI of the Higher Education Act and are administered by the U.S. Department of Education. The purpose of the FLASF program is: "To assist in the development of knowledge, resources, and trained personnel for modern foreign language and area studies, to stimulate the attainment of foreign language acquisition and fluency, and to develop a pool of international experts to meet national needs." **These fellowships are for U.S. citizens or permanent residents only.**

Application form follows this announcement. **Application deadline is Monday, March 17, 2008.**

The Asian Studies Center, University of Pittsburgh, will award FLASFs to at least four graduate students for an intensive program of language study in Chinese, Japanese, or Korean. The study program is to provide the fellowship recipient with the equivalent of one academic year of foreign language study.

Eligibility

1. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent U.S. residents
2. Candidates must be enrolled as full-time graduate students during the period of award

Requirements

1. The language program must consist of at least 140 hours for beginning/intermediate courses; 120 hours for advanced level courses.
2. The language program must last a minimum of 6 weeks.
3. The course must be taken for a letter grade that is based on tests administered during the course.
4. Fellowships may be used in a foreign study program **ONLY** at the advanced level or for a language/level not offered in the United States.

To Apply

The following documents comprise a complete application:

1. Summer FLASF application form
2. Curriculum vitae (maximum of two pages)
3. Undergraduate and graduate transcripts
4. Brief statement (2 page maximum): history of languages previously studied (number of years of study and current ability in those languages) **AND** how the language that you propose to study with this fellowship fits into your study plans and career objectives

5. Two letters of recommendation from faculty members
6. Flyer or brochure (photocopy or printout acceptable) of the language program in which you intend to study (NOTE: The number of contact hours, the dates, and the cost of tuition and fees only must be clearly specified. If this information is not contained in the brochure, an e-mail or fax from the school giving this data can supplement the flyer.)

Benefits Recipients will receive a stipend of \$2,500 and **up to** \$4,000 for tuition and fees for the proposed program of study.

Selection

The selection of fellowship recipients and alternates will be made by a committee composed of three ASC faculty members representing the departments of languages and linguistics. Katherine Carlitz, Assistant Director for Academic Affairs in the Asian Studies Center, will be the non-voting coordinator. The committee will meet in March; applicants will be ranked according to the contents of their files. All applicants will be notified of the committee's decisions in late March or early April.

The U.S. Department of Education (USDE) gives preference to applicants who will study a less-commonly-taught language. USDE also has indicated that "lowest consideration [be given in the selection of fellows] to: students who already possess language fluency equivalent to educated native speakers in the language for which the award is sought; and students who are taking the first 12 semester hours or the equivalent in Chinese or Japanese."

The Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships are funded by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE). Final approval of the candidates and their proposed language program will be done by the Program Officer in USDE.

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APPLICATION
SUMMER FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES
FELLOWSHIPS



DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATION: Monday, March 17 2008.

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____

STUDENT OR NATIONAL ID #: _____

Contact information from date of application until June 15, 2008
(Please notify the ASC if you're contact information changes before June 15.):

E-MAIL ADDRESS (ES): _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER(S): _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

ARE YOU A U.S. CITIZEN OR PERMANENT RESIDENT?

YES. Initial here _____

NO. Sorry, you are not eligible for this fellowship. Title VI of the U.S. Education Act specifies that only U.S. citizens or permanent residents are eligible for this fellowship.

WILL YOU BE ENROLLED AS A GRADUATE STUDENT THROUGH AUGUST OF THIS YEAR?

YES. Name of institution: _____

Field of study (department/school): _____

NO. Sorry, you are not eligible for this fellowship

WILL YOU HAVE RECEIVED YOUR GRADUATE DEGREE PRIOR TO THE END OF THE PROPOSED SUMMER LANGUAGE PROGRAM?

Yes. Sorry, you are not eligible for this fellowship.

No. What is the month/year in which you expect to receive your graduate degree?

CAREER OBJECTIVES (Check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Higher Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Elementary/Secondary Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Government | <input type="checkbox"/> State/Local Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Private Sector (for Profit) | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Sector (not for Profit) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> International or Foreign Organization in the United States | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> International or Foreign Organization outside the United States | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate Study | |

LANGUAGE OF PROPOSED STUDY: _____

LEVEL OF LANGUAGE TO BE STUDIED (CIRCLE ONE):

BEGINNING (1st year); INTERMEDIATE (2nd year); ADVANCED (3rd or 4th year or higher)

NAME AND LOCATION OF LANGUAGE TRAINING PROGRAM: _____

Note: Applicants who wish to study IN China, Japan, or Korea **must** enroll at the advanced level or for a language not being taught in an intensive summer program in the United States. Applications to utilize the fellowship abroad to study beginning Chinese, Japanese, or Korean will not be considered.

DATES OF THE PROGRAM: _____

Note: The program **must last a minimum of 6 weeks**.

NUMBER OF CONTACT HOURS OF THE LANGUAGE PROGRAM: _____

Note: The study program **must** consist of a minimum of 140 contact hours of **language** study for beginning/intermediate courses; 120 hours for advanced courses.

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This application and the above documents should be sent to:
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Pittsburgh, PA 15260. **Questions?** E-mail: kcarlitz@pitt.edu