

University of Pittsburgh  
**University Center for International Studies**  
Global Studies Center

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships for Undergraduate Students

**Academic Year 2012-2013**

The Global Studies Center is pleased to announce the competition for Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships for the University of Pittsburgh 2012-13 Academic Year. The FLAS Fellowship is a prestigious award that enables the recipient to devote full time to undergraduate study. The Global Studies Center will award three undergraduate fellowships for the academic year. **FLAS-eligible languages include: Arabic, Chinese, Hindi, Hebrew, Persian (Farsi), Portuguese, Swahili, Turkish, and Urdu.**

FLAS Fellowships are authorized under Title VI of the Higher Education Act and are administered by the US Department of Education. The purpose of the FLAS Fellowship 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." As such, these fellowships may only be awarded to US citizens or US permanent residents.

**What is the FLAS Fellowship?**

The academic year FLAS Fellowship provides awardees with tuition in addition to a stipend of approximately \$5,000. In some cases, the Fellowship may be supplemented with funding from other sources. For students who have other sources of funding for the 2012-13 academic year, contact the Global Studies Center before applying for this Fellowship. Undergraduate FLAS Fellowships will only be awarded for the study of a language listed above.

Fellows must be enrolled in a 'content course' related to their language of study and a language course each term of the award period. Fellowships are only given to students studying a FLAS-eligible language at the intermediate level and above (second year and above). Factors that are important in the review of applicants include the overall quality of the student's academic record and the relevance of the FLAS Fellowship target language to the student's plan of study.

**Application Procedures**

**GLOBAL STUDIES DEADLINE: MARCH 1, 2012**

Application packets should be submitted directly to the Global Studies Center by March 1, 2012. Packets should contain **three copies** and an original of the following materials. Only completed application packets will be accepted.

- Completed application form (on the following page)
- Resume (not exceeding two pages in length)
- All **undergraduate** transcripts
- **LANGUAGE STUDY PLAN** - A one page statement indicating the FLAS-eligible language you propose to study,

how you will combine language and area studies to satisfy FLAS requirements, the extent of current or previous language training, and your native language, if other than English.

- **PERSONAL STUDY PLAN** – A 1-2 page statement articulating the relationship between your area of study and anticipated career goals, and a brief personal history including any experience(s) in or related to the appropriate area.
- **Two** letters of recommendation (one from a language instructor and one from a non language faculty member).

Please send applications for the FLAS Fellowship to the Global Studies Center by **March 1, 2012**. Applications will be reviewed by an independent selection committee comprised of University faculty members. Applicants will be notified of the selection committee's decision by April.

**Direct all applications and questions to:**

Veronica Dristas, Global Studies Center, 4100 Wesley W. Posvar Hall (412-624-2918 / [dristas@pitt.edu](mailto:dristas@pitt.edu)).

# Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship Application Form Academic Year 2012-2013

If you are applying to more than one Center for a FLAS Fellowship, please indicate the other Center to which you have also applied:

- Center for Latin American Studies       Center for Russian and East European Studies

**Reminder:** If you are applying to more than one center, you must submit separate applications for each center.

## General Information

Name: Mr / Ms \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Perm. Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Local Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Perm. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Citizenship:  US Citizen     Permanent Resident    Pitt PeopleSoft No. (if available): \_\_\_\_\_

Career Goals (check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/> Federal government	<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign government	<input type="checkbox"/> Higher education
<input type="checkbox"/> International organization (in US)	<input type="checkbox"/> Elementary / secondary education	<input type="checkbox"/> Private sector - for profit
<input type="checkbox"/> International organization (foreign)	<input type="checkbox"/> State / local government	<input type="checkbox"/> Private sector - non-profit
<input type="checkbox"/> US Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

## Academic Information

### Undergraduate Information

Department/ School \_\_\_\_\_  
Major(s) and QPA: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tuition Status: In state Out of state  
Are you currently enrolled in the Global Studies certificate program?  
Yes No  
Are you applying for other types of fellowships or scholarships?  
Yes No  
If yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

### Language Information

FLASF Target Language: \_\_\_\_\_  
Language Level for which award is sought:  
 1<sup>st</sup> year                       4<sup>th</sup> year  
 2<sup>nd</sup> year                       5<sup>th</sup> year  
 3<sup>rd</sup> year  
Other languages in which you are **fluent**: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned attests that the information contained in this application is true and complete.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## FLASF- ELIGIBLE LANGUAGES

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