

University of Pittsburgh
University Center for International Studies

Global Studies Center

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships

Summer 2012- Graduate and Undergraduate Competition

The Global Studies Center is pleased to announce the competition for Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships (FLASF) for the University of Pittsburgh Summer 2012.

The FLAS Fellowships are authorized under Title VI of the Higher Education Act and are administered by the United States 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.

The Global Studies Center will award FLASFs to at least three graduate and or undergraduate students for an intensive program of language study in *Arabic, Chinese, Hindi, Hebrew, Persian (Farsi), Portuguese, Swahili, Turkish, Urdu*. The study program is to provide the fellowship recipient with the equivalent of one academic year of foreign language study.

The summer FLAS Fellowship provides awardees with \$5000 towards tuition and fees in addition to a stipend of approximately \$2,500. The Fellowship may be supplemented with funding from other sources.

Application Procedures

DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 15, 2012

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.

Application packets should contain **three copies** and **an original** of the following materials. Only completed application packets will be accepted.

- Completed application form (on following page)
- All **undergraduate** and **graduate** transcripts
- **Statement of Purpose** - A 1-2 page statement indicating how acquiring skills in the target language relates to your academic and professional goals and the skill level you must attain to be able to use the target language for the specified purposes.
- **Two** letters of recommendation

Completed application packets should be submitted to Veronica Dristas, Center, Global Studies Center 4100 Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. For questions or concerns, contact Veronica Dristas at dristas@pitt.edu, 412-624-2918.

PLEASE NOTE: All applications will be reviewed by an independent selection committee comprised of faculty members drawn from the humanities/language departments, social science departments, and professional schools. Applicants will be notified of the selection committee's decision by the end of March.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship Application Form SUMMER 2012

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

Academic Information

Undergraduate Information

Institution: _____
Major(s) and QPA: _____

Will you be on campus during the award period?

Yes No

If no, please explain: _____

Language Information

Graduate Information

Department / School: _____
 Master's student MA/PhD student Doctoral student
Tuition Status: In state Out of state
Enrollment Status: Matriculated Applying

FLASF Target Language: _____

Language Level for which award is sought:

1st year 4th year
 2nd year 5th year
 3rd 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: _____

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