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I. Scholarships and Fellowships

University of Cincinnati - New scholarship for international high school students - \$7,000 per year

New scholarship for international high school students desiring to pursue a baccalaureate degree at the University of Cincinnati, fall 2007: The new scholarship is called the UC Global Scholarship and awards up to \$7,000 per year in scholarship assistance to international freshmen who begin their baccalaureate studies in our autumn quarter (which starts September 19, 2007).

The deadline for students to be considered for this scholarship is June 1, 2007. Students only need to submit a complete undergraduate admissions application and SAT I scores to be considered for the scholarship. We are still accepting new applications!

We are actively promoting this opportunity to students throughout the world and would appreciate your assistance in this effort. We will mail information packets to a few EducationUSA centers in the near future.

Here are links that provide detailed information:

Undergraduate Admissions webpage for international students: <http://www.admissions.uc.edu/international/>

UC Global Scholarship webpage: http://www.admissions.uc.edu/international/intl_scholarship.html

UC International Student Prospectus: http://www.admissions.uc.edu/documents/UC_International-Prospectus.pdf

Flyer demonstrating financial impact of students who receive the UC Global Scholarship AND participate in one of our co-operative education programs: <http://www.admissions.uc.edu/documents/Intl-co-op-aid-case-study.pdf>

I appreciate your support. Please feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions.

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2008 International Fulbright Science and Technology Award for Outstanding Foreign Students

Deadline: June 15, 2007

The International Fulbright Science and Technology (S&T) Award for outstanding foreign students, sponsored by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) of the U.S. Department of State, is designed to be among the most prestigious international scholarships in science and technology. The Fulbright S&T Award is for Ph.D. study at top U.S. institutions in science, technology, or engineering.

For its pilot year (2007-2008), winners of this new Fulbright scholarship come all world regions. Recipients were chosen through a rigorous, multi-tiered, merit-based selection process consisting of in-country competition and review, field and discipline

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merit review by top-level U.S. academic leaders, and nomination by a blue ribbon Advisory Panel, including a Nobel Laureate and university deans and presidents. Final selection was made by the Presidentially appointed Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.

Eligibility:

Applicants must be citizens of a country where there is an active Fulbright Foreign Student Program and must apply through the Fulbright Commission or U.S. Embassy in their country of citizenship. Applicants must have completed a bachelor's degree (comparable to a U.S. bachelor's degree) on or before the start of the program. It is highly recommended that the applicant have received his/her bachelor's degree in the same or a related field for which he/she plans to pursue Ph.D. study.

Eligible Fields of Study:

Eligible fields include Aeronautics and Astronomics/Aeronautical Engineering, Astronomy/Planetary Sciences, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Sciences/Engineering, Energy, Engineering (electrical, chemical, civil, mechanical, ocean, and petroleum), Environmental Science/Engineering, Geology/Earth and Atmospheric Sciences, Information Sciences/Engineering, Materials Science/Engineering, Mathematics, Neuroscience/Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Oceanography and Physics.

Grant Benefits - The fellowship will provide the following benefits:

- Activities, tuition and fees;
- A monthly stipend for up to 36 months;
- Book and equipment, research and professional conference allowances;
- J-1 visa sponsorship for up to five years;
- Round-trip airfare from fellow's home city to the host institution in the United States;
- Health and accident coverage as per U.S. Government guidelines; and
- Specially tailored enrichment activities.

After three years, the host U.S. university will be expected to cover the remaining expenses toward completion of the Ph.D. J-1 visa sponsorship will be provided for up to five years.

For additional information, please contact the U.S. Embassy or Fulbright Commission in your country of citizenship for additional information or application materials.

<http://usembassy.state.gov/> or <http://www.exchanges.state.gov/education/fulbright/list.htm>

Alcoa Foundation Practitioner Fellowships

Deadline: May 31, 2007

Alcoa Foundation's Conservation and Sustainability Fellowship Program is a unique, international fellowship program created to advance the knowledge and support for exemplary work in the field of conservation and sustainability through fellowships to outstanding academics and practitioners from non-governmental organizations (NGO). By bringing together the academic, NGO and business communities, Alcoa Foundation's program will be a new model of effective private philanthropic action to address urgent problems of global concern.

Practitioner Fellowships provide a non-degree opportunity for qualified mid-level professionals from NGOs (and in some cases, government) to conduct approved six- to twelve-month intensive applied research projects in conservation and sustainability. Fellows work from their home organization and are mentored remotely by an expert from a selected Sustainability Institute. Fellows receive a grant of \$10,000 and reimbursement for travel to an Orientation and a Program Conference.

To be eligible for a Practitioner Fellowship, you must be a mid-career professional employed by a non-governmental organization (NGO) or similar-type organization, or a governmental organization that permits the acceptance of this type of award. Full-time students and consultants are not eligible. Full-time employees of an academic institution (such as a professor, researcher or similar) conducting research of an academic nature are not eligible.

The completed application should be sent to the Institute of International Education no later than May 31, 2007. Applications received after this date will not be accepted.

For eligible fields of study, application instructions and more, please go to <http://www.alcoafoundationfellows.org/> or contact: practitionerfellows@iie.org

Full tuition Academic Scholarships for Freshman - Alabama State University

Alabama State University, founded in 1867, is a comprehensive regional university offering students from throughout the region, state and nation a world class education by providing learning experiences designed to develop intellectual abilities, as well as social, moral, cultural and ethical values.

Full tuition Academic Scholarships - FRESHMEN: High school applicants must have a grade point average of 3.51-3.75 in academic subjects on a 4.0 scale, or an ACT score of 24-26 (comparable SAT score of 1100-1209). The Academic Scholarship pays full tuition, books, fees and on-campus room and board for a maximum of eight semesters for freshmen and a maximum of *Contact an EducationUSA adviser near you for guidance on finding and applying to an accredited U.S. college or university*

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six semesters for junior college transfer students. Scholarships are renewable annually based on completion of 24 semester hours with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0.

EducationUSA advisers in the Democratic Republic of Congo helped to secure a scholarship of \$20,000 from ASU.

Scholarships - Academic

<http://www.alasu.edu/financial%5Faid/default.aspx?id=5>

Admissions & Recruitment homepage

<http://www.alasu.edu/Admissions/>

II. News you can use

Video in outreach: Former Harvard President Lawrence Summers on "Rethinking Undergraduate Education"

"As president of Harvard, Dr. Summers strived to make the university more student centered, to encourage faculty to spend time teaching undergraduates, to provide more opportunities for Harvard students to study abroad, and to rationalize the Harvard core curriculum," said Tufts President Lawrence S. Bacow. "These are all important areas to address in undergraduate education today."

EducationUSA advisers may use "play" and "pause" to show a clip from the video in outreach sessions.

<http://enews.tufts.edu/stories/031207Spring2007SnyderLecture.htm>

New IIE Directory: Funding for United States Study 2007-2008

IIE is pleased to announce the publication of a new directory: Funding for United States Study 2007-2008: A Guide for International Students and Professionals

Related: Funding for US Study Online is an extensive database of scholarships, fellowships and grants organized and maintained by the Institute of International Education (IIE). http://www.fundingusstudy.org/wbs/cont_edit.asp

This is the first time since 1996 that IIE is publishing this useful resource. With over 500 hundred grant and scholarship listings, this book is a valuable resource for advisers and international students worldwide.

Funding for United States Study features detailed descriptions of grants, fellowships and scholarships for undergraduate and graduate study, and doctoral and postdoctoral research in the United States. In addition, the guide provides informative articles on financial assistance and university funding options, and more.

Listings includes grants, fellowships and scholarships available through: U.S. and foreign governments, colleges and universities, educational associations, research centers, libraries, foundations, corporations and other organizations.

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Undergraduate distance learning programs in architecture

The National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) is the sole agency authorized to accredit U.S. professional degree programs in architecture. Unfortunately, they told me that there are no accredited undergraduate distance learning programs in architecture nor are there any graduate programs which are 100% distance learning due to the studio requirements of architecture course work.

NAAB did, however, give me names of two programs which offer off-site learning/low residency Masters in Architecture programs—one at Boston Architecture College the other at the New School of Architecture in San Diego. Off-site learning/low residency programs require the student to be physically present in a few intensive on-site sessions per year.

Boston Architecture College: <http://www.the-bac.edu/x1100.xml>

New School of Architecture and Design: <http://www.newschoolarch.edu/>

For students interested in architecture in general, the NAAB website, <http://www.naab.org/>, allows you to search by type of program (Bachelor of Architecture, Candidacy Program, Master of Architecture) and by program location. You can also email them directly at: info@naab.org.