

#### **EducationUSA NewsLetter**

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### The Official Education USA Newsletter

A weekly insight into current

US Higher Education news and scholarships

**Greetings Readers!** 

We in the Fulbright EducationUSA Center would love to wish you a happy and healthy new year and start to the new semester! As we kick into gear, we have a whole bunch of workshops, scholarships, and US regions that we want you to know about!

### **Upcoming Workshops**

TOEFL Test Taking Strategies Workshop: January 28, Thursday 1:00 - 4:00 pm General Writing Workshop: February 4, Thursday 2:30 - 4:00 pm GRE Test Taking Strategies Workshop: February 9, Tuesday 2:30 - 4:00 pm

More info on the full workshop schedule:

- http://www.fulbright.hu/test-preparation/
- http://www.fulbright.hu/special-programs/

As always, if you would like to attend, please contact us by phone (+36-1-462-8050) or email (educationusa@fulbright.hu) in order to register for the workshops.

### 16th EDUCATIO International Education Expo

Around 150 exhibition pavilions, nearly 30,000 visitors, representation from nearly all Hungarian and many international higher education institutions, and the latest educational developments, school equipment, methods! The 16th EDUCATIO International Education Fair is waiting for students from high schools, their parents, educators, educational institution directors and decision—makers.

Join us now and learn how you can study in the U.S!

Everyone is welcome, the exhibition is free to all visitors!

Date: January 21-23, 2016 open between 10 am - 5 pm

Venue: SYMA Event and Congress Centre (1146 Budapest, Dózsa György út 1.)

You can find the Fulbright EducationUSA booth under No7 in hall A.

For more info: http://www.educatiokiallitas.hu/

### **Schools in Focus**

### The University of Minnesota Undergraduate Scholarships

The University of Minnesota, locally known as the U of M, is a public research university located in Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota. The U of M has the

sixth-largest main campus student body in the United States, with 51,147 students in 2013–14. The university is organized into 19 colleges and schools, and it has sister campuses in Crookston, Duluth, Morris, and Rochester. The U of M offers undergraduate scholarships to international students based on merit and financial need.

### **Global Excellence Scholarships (merit-based awards)**

All international freshmen and transfer students who are admitted are automatically considered for a Global Excellence Scholarship. These scholarships cover either the full difference or half the difference between resident and non-resident tuition rates. For the 2015-16 academic year, the freshmen scholarships were \$4,210 (Maroon Award) or \$8,420 (Gold Award) per year for up to four years. Transfer students may receive Maroon awards of up to three years when entering the University in the fall semester.

# **International Student and Scholar Services Scholarships (need-based awards)**

Various scholarships are available for new students based on criteria such as financial need, academic merit, and educational goals. Awards currently range from \$1,200 to \$5,000 per year. Students are required to submit an application form and essay for consideration. Applications for need-based scholarships must be completed no later than March 1, 2016, for 2016-17 awards. Recipients of awards are notified via email by March 15 of the year they plan to enter the University.

Application for ISSS need-based scholarships

### **Undergraduate Research Opportunities Scholarship (UROS)**

The <u>Undergraduate Research Opportunities Scholarship (UROS)</u> is awarded to high-achieving students with an interest in research. Recipients work on a research project with a faculty mentor and receive a stipend of approximately \$1,400.

Click here for more information on costs and scholarships.

### **University of Kansas**

The University of Kansas (KU) is a public research university and the largest university in the U.S. state of Kansas with about 28,000 students. KU branch campuses are located in the towns of Lawrence, Wichita, Overland Park, Salina, and Kansas City, Kansas, with the main campus located in Lawrence on Mount Oread, the highest location in Lawrence.

#### **New E-Brochure**

University of Kansas just launched a new e-brochure for prospective international students. The Flash version can be viewed here: http://irua.ku.edu/sites/irua.ku.edu/files/docs/Ebrochure\_SWF.swf

### **Changes in deadlines**

For general admission to most programs in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences (including undecided majors), the application deadlines are now as follows:

- Fall Semester (begins in mid-August) June 15
- Spring Semester (begins in January) November 15
- Summer Term (begins in June) April 1

See the deadlines page on the KU website for complete details: http://irua.ku.edu/deadlines. Also, the priority deadline for scholarship consideration is January 15 (Fall semester intake only).

### **Lawrence University**

Founded in 1847 as an institution open to men and women of immigrant and indigenous backgrounds, Lawrence University has, from the beginning, been a forward-thinking place focused on creating a welcome and supportive community for all of its students to thrive and succeed. Lawrence University is a liberal arts college and conservatory of music in Appleton, Wisconsin and was the second college in the United States to be founded as a coeducational institution. Lawrence University has about 1,500 undergraduate students.

### Lawrence to Offer Micro-Scholarships Through Raise.Me

Lawrence recognizes that it is not always easy for students to figure out how colleges award scholarships until after the award letters are released. Lawrence, along with 100 other colleges, is partnering with Raise.me to award microscholarships to students beginning in 9th grade for a variety of academic and extracurricular achievements.

**About Raise.me:** Raise.me's program is supported by the Gates Foundation and is completely free for students and high schools. Their mission is to increase student engagement and motivation by breaking traditional scholarships (typically awarded at the end of high school) into a series of small, attainable goals and making the path to college more tangible for students.

Learn more about the university and the Raise.me program at: https://www.raise.me/edu/lawrence-university

## **Pre-College Opportunities**

#### Emory University Pre-College Program

Emory University is a private research university in metropolitan Atlanta, Georgia, United States and has about 7,500 undergraduate students. The Emory Pre-College Program is a summer academic program for high school students. It gives college-bound rising juniors and rising seniors an exciting glimpse of academic and residential life at a top-ranked national university.

High school students may explore topics with professors who are the leading experts in their fields, enroll in classes with college students, and earn transferable college credit. Two-week noncredit courses, three-week noncredit institutes and six-week credit courses are available. Emory Pre-College students live together in a dorm on campus or within commuting distance with their families and participate in a variety of programs, activities, and excursions designed to prepare them for college life.

It is a great opportunity for international high school students to experience American college life in a relevant academic and personal way. Course offerings can be found here.

### California College of the Arts Pre-College Program

California College of the Arts (CCA) is an art, design, architecture, and writing school founded in 1907. It has campuses in San Francisco and Oakland, and it

enrolls approximately 1,500 undergraduates and 500 graduate students.

CCA's four-week summer Pre-College Program, for American students and international students with fluent English proficiency, offers 20 different art, architecture, design, and writing course options. Participants earn 3 units of college credit. International participants are typically attending English-speaking high schools in the U.S. or abroad.

The program is open to high school students ages 15-18 who have just completed the 10th, 11th, or 12th grade. The program is four weeks long, from June 27 to July 22. For more information and to apply, please visit <a href="https://www.cca.edu/academics/precollege">www.cca.edu/academics/precollege</a>

### Yale Young Global Scholars Program

The Yale Young Global Scholars Program (YYGS) is an academic and leadership-development program for talented high school students. YYGS is administered and hosted by Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut, and two-week residential sessions in June, July, and August draw students together from all over the world.

Students currently in US grades 10 and 11 (or international equivalents) are eligible to apply. Admission is competitive, and YYGS looks for students with strong academic preparation, intellectual ability, and leadership potential, as well as students who will be active and engaged in the YYGS community. Needbased scholarships are available.

Summer 2016 applications are now available online and are due February 11.

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Session 1 | <u>Politics, Law, & Economics</u> | June 19 - July 2
Session 2 | <u>Applied Science & Engineering</u> | July 19 - July 2
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Session 3 | <u>International Affairs & Security</u> | July 8 - July 21
Session 4 | <u>Biological & Biomedical Science</u> | July 8 - July 21
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Session 5 | <u>Technology, Innovation, & Entrepreneurship</u> | July 26 - August 8 Session 6 | <u>Sustainability, Energy, & Environment</u> | July 26 - August 8

Each session is interdisciplinary, and features lectures and discussions with distinguished Yale faculty, elective seminars on a wide variety of topics, small-group projects tailored to students' interests, and complementary activities such as simulations, career discussions, and tours of Yale.

For more information: globalscholars.yale.edu

## States in the Spotlight

### **Enjoy Missouri**

# **Explore Montana**

Missouri offers many choices when it comes to higher education institutions making it one of the top study destinations for international students in the United States. Saint Louis University is the oldest university west of the Mississippi. To learn more, EducationUSA's website today at goo.gl/YSIRpy!

Montana is home to some of the most beautiful scenery and diverse wildlife in the US. No state has as many different species of mammals as Montana! Visit EducationUSA at <a href="mailto:goo.gl/YSIRpy">goo.gl/YSIRpy</a> to see why so many international students study in this beautiful state!

#### Come to the "Cornhusker State"

### Vegas Baby! Study in Nevada

Nebraska's all-American charm as the "Cornhusker State" attracts international students from all over the world to study each year. Head over to the #EducationUSA website at <a href="mailto:goo.gl/YSIRpy">goo.gl/YSIRpy</a> to find out how you can start studying in Nebraska today!

With its diverse attractions including Death Valley National Park, the city of Las Vegas, and the Hoover Dam, Nevada is a popular study destination for many students. To learn more about studying here, visit EducationUSA's website now at <a href="mailto:goo.gl/YSIRpy">goo.gl/YSIRpy</a>!

### Reminders

Find out how to finance your education in EducationUSA's global webchat!

Are you interested in studying in the USA? Do you have questions about scholarships, budgets, and timelines for applying for financial aid?

EducationUSA's bi-monthly webchat series encourages viewing groups in Embassies, American Spaces and viewers around the world to ask questions through an online chat space that will be answered during a live, one-hour program.

On January 21 at 6:00am EST, join a global webchat to learn about how students can fund their studies in the United States. Representatives from George Washington University and Northern Virginia Community college will answer your questions during the live program - all you need to do is sign into the chatspace to ask! Our expert panel will include: Joan Zanders, Director of Financial Aid at Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA), a school of almost 77,000 students, with six full campuses; Jennifer Joslin, Director of George Washington University's financial aid, billing and registration center; and Kimberly Williams, Program Officer in the Office of Global Education at the U.S. Department of State. Find out more here: https://goo.gl/ER68sn

# **EducationUSA Academy – Now Accepting Student Applications for 2016!**

We are happy to announce that the application period for the 2016 EducationUSA Academy is now open. The EducationUSA Academy is a three-to-four-week summer program held on U.S. college and university campuses for 15-to 17-year-old students who reside outside of the United States. Students study intensive English, learn about the process of applying to U.S. higher education institutions, explore strategies for success in a U.S. academic environment, and experience U.S. campus life. The program will also include tours of diverse college and university campuses as well as cultural activities. For more information about the program, costs, deadlines, and host institutions, check out our newly launched website here.

And as always, EducationUSA keeps an online database of scholarship opportunities; interested students are welcome to check it out at: educationusa.state.gov

Have a great week!

All the best,

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