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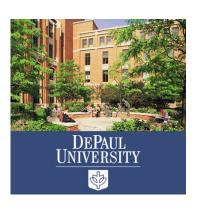
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# I. Scholarships and Fellowships

#### **DEPAUL UNIVERSITY (IL) WELCOMES INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

DePaul University, with more than 25,000 students, is the only one of the United States 10 largest private universities where the faculty priority is on teaching. DePaul offers a high caliber, challenging learning environment that is respected by employers, community leaders and other universities. Many of our more than 275 graduate and undergraduate programs of study have earned national acclaim and received both institutional and specialized accreditation. Most importantly, more than 93 percent of employers report they are pleased with the caliber of DePaul graduates. The five most popular undergraduate majors are: psychology, business administration, political science, biology and accounting. Class sizes are small — 93% of all classes have fewer than 40 students. At DePaul, 98% of our classes are taught by professors rather than teaching assistants.



DePaul University awards generous merit-based scholarships to freshmen and transfer international students.

Freshman scholarships: Freshman admitted for the fall term will be considered for scholarships based on academic achievement in high school. **Deadline for priority consideration is November 15, 2010**. After this date, scholarships are awarded on a funds-available basis. Academic scholarships amounts range between \$10,500 and \$15,500, and are renewable for up to four years of undergraduate study. *Please note that submission of SAT or ACT tests are mandatory for freshman scholarship consideration*.

**Transfer scholarships are awarded to** new transfer student for the fall, winter or spring quarter (readmitted/returning DePaul students are not eligible) who meet the following criteria:

- Minimum 3.5 cumulative grade point average (GPA) in all prior college course work.
- 15 semester (22 quarter) hours of credit completed at another college or university at the time of the application for admission to DePaul.
- If applying for the Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship, able to verify current membership in Phi Theta Kappa.
- Submit the <u>Transfer Scholarship Application</u> along with a personal statement by the following deadlines:
  - o all Quarter Applicants: June 1
  - o Winter Quarter Applicants: November 1
  - Spring Quarter Applicants: February 1

Transfer scholarships range from \$2,000 to \$7,000 a year and can be renewed for up to two years of consecutive full-time undergraduate study.

For more information: <a href="international.depaul.edu/admission/">international.depaul.edu/admission/</a>

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**DePaul Global Ambassador Program** 



### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY

Idaho State University is classified as a regional public doctoral/research institution and offers 285 degrees and certificate programs. The school, with about 15,000 undergraduate and graduate students, has 17:1 faculty to student ratio and an average class size of 20. ISU hosts 280 students from more than 60 countries and over 50 scholars per year. ISU's location in the safe, scenic, and low-cost small city of Pocatello makes the university an excellent choice for those seeking strong educational opportunities with great recreational opportunities at reasonable costs.



Idaho State University welcomes applications from international students, and is committed to providing opportunities for international applicants to find success. The university shows its commitment through various kinds of financial awards, available to qualified applicants. These financial awards reduce ISU's already low tuition rates substantially, and are important in helping interested international students to join the university. Pocatello's low cost of living also helps in regards to total costs.

## **Graduate Assistantships**

At ISU a large percentage of full-time graduate students have either teaching or research assistantships. Assistantships require full-time enrollment, normal progress toward a degree, and offer a complete waiver of regular tuition costs. Assistantships are awarded by the various academic departments, and a limited number of awards are available through other university offices. See <a href="https://www.isu.edu/graduate">www.isu.edu/graduate</a> for more about graduate studies at ISU.

# Non-Resident Tuition Waiver (NRTW) Scholarships

Incoming and continuing students with a U.S. grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher are eligible to be considered for an NRTW award, which reduces tuition costs for international student by approximately 70% at both the graduate and undergraduate level. Renewal requires continuation of a 3.0 GPA and reapplication. No application is required for incoming students to be considered. Priority deadlines for admission and consideration: May 1 for fall award, November 1 for spring award.

# **Room and Board Scholarships**

Undergraduate students who do not receive an NRTW award may be eligible for an award of full room (selected residence halls) and board (meal plan) costs. An award requires a U.S. GPA of 2.75 or higher. No application is necessary and this award is only available to new incoming undergraduate students. This scholarship cannot be awarded to students receiving an NRTW award. Priority deadline for fall award: May 1.

# On campus employment

All international students who are maintaining their legal status in good standing are eligible to work part-time jobs on the ISU campus. On-campus jobs are in demand, and while the pay cannot cover all expenses, many international students can earn extra money in such positions across campus. Eligible international students can work up to 20 hours/week during an academic session, and up to 40 hours/week during academic breaks (including summer). See current listings at <a href="https://www.isu.edu/humanr/studentoncampus.shtml">www.isu.edu/humanr/studentoncampus.shtml</a>.

For more information: www.isu.edu/international.shtml

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# 2011-2014 ENVIRONMENTAL FELLOWS PROGRAM COMPETITION AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY



The Harvard University Center for the Environment created the Environmental Fellows program to enable recent doctorate recipients to use and expand

Harvard's extraordinary resources to tackle complex environmental problems. The Environmental Fellows will work for two years with Harvard faculty members in any school or department to create new knowledge while also strengthening connections across the University's academic disciplines.

The fellowship will provide an annual stipend of \$55,000 plus health insurance, a \$2,500 allowance for travel and professional expenses, and other employee benefits. The Harvard University Center for the Environment awarded four fellowships in 2010, and expects to award approximately four to five fellowships per year thereafter.

Potential candidates should start early to identify and establish a relationship with a Harvard faculty member to host his or her research. The host will be a mentor to the fellow and will provide office space and basic administrative support. In agreeing to be a host, the faculty member is making a significant commitment. Successful candidates will be enthusiastically recommended by their proposed host. Each applicant's host must submit a letter of support (maximum of two pages) to the selection committee describing in detail the level of commitment to the research and the candidate.

Applicants unfamiliar with Harvard faculty members will find many of them listed on the Center's web pages organized both by academic areas (economics, engineering) and by research topics (climate, human health). Most faculty members have their own web pages which will provide much more detailed information about publications and interests and which may be accessed through the main <u>Harvard website</u>. Applicants are encouraged to use the <u>Center's faculty list</u> as a starting point only. Hundreds of faculty members who would be excellent hosts are not currently members of the Center. Any faculty member from any discipline may serve as a host, regardless of whether the host has had prior experience with environmental research or the Center.

For more information: www.environment.harvard.edu/grants/fellows/application

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### PRINCETON UNIVERSITY WELCOMES RESIDENTIAL FELLOWS IN LAW AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAM



The Program in Law and Public Affairs (LAPA) at Princeton University invites outstanding faculty, independent scholars, lawyers, and judges to apply for appointments as residential fellows for the academic year. Each year, through its Fellows program, LAPA brings to Princeton world-class experts on the law. Successful candidates will devote an academic year in residence at Princeton engaging in their own research and in the intellectual life of the campus. Under exceptional circumstances, applications for only one semester in residence may be considered.

We plan to name up to four general LAPA Fellows plus one Microsoft/LAPA Fellow who specializes in intellectual property or the economic organization of society, and one Mellon/LAPA Fellow in Law and the Humanities. Applicants to the program will be considered for all of the applicable fellowships, depending upon the applicant's proposed research project. The Fellows program is open to all regardless of citizenship, but it does not support work toward the completion of a degree or extended off-campus research. All applicants should have received a doctorate, juris doctor, or an equivalent professional degree by the beginning of the fellowship.

Since Princeton does not have a law school, LAPA is the primary site on the Princeton campus for law-related activity. The Program in Law and Public Affairs is housed in the Woodrow Wilson School for Public and International Affairs on the Princeton campus and is co-sponsored by the Woodrow Wilson School, the University Center for Human Values and the University. LAPA-affiliated faculty, graduate students and undergraduates come from all over the university and from all disciplines in the social sciences and humanities, as well as from the sciences and engineering. LAPA encourages its fellows to develop ties with relevant departments and disciplines around campus.

Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of:

- (1) the quality of their achievements in their field of specialization and their ability to benefit from the activities of the program;
- (2) the quality and significance of their proposed projects:

- (3) the contributions they are likely to make in the future to legal scholarship and practice; and
- (4) their ability to contribute to intellectual life in legal studies at Princeton.

In any given year, the program tries to get a mix of senior and junior scholars, domestic and international scholars, and those based in law schools or in the practice of law on the one hand and those whose homes are in other disciplines on the other.

Applications for all fellowships should be submitted online. Deadline: 5:00 pm (EST) Monday, November 8.

For more information: <a href="mailto:lapa.princeton.edu/fellowships.php">lapa.princeton.edu/fellowships.php</a>

# DEED RESEARCH GRANTS AND INTERNSHIPS FOR ENERGY-RELATED STUDIES

DEED student research grants/internships support students studying in energy-related disciplines, increase awareness of career opportunities in public power, and provide assistance to DEED member utility sponsors. Each year **up to ten \$4,000 research grants and internships** are awarded to students conducting research on an energy-related project. Students must be sponsored by a DEED member utility and are required to write an abstract and final report at the completion of the project.

Only students studying in energy-related disciplines from accredited colleges or universities in the U.S. or Canada are eligible for student research grants/internships. Applicants will not be discriminated against on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, or citizenship. Students must obtain a DEED member sponsor for their student research grant/internship. Find a DEED member utility, and email DEED to request the specific contact information for the utility you wish to approach regarding sponsorship.

Deadlines: February 15 and October 15 each year

For more information: contact DEED at <a href="DEED@APPAnet.org">DEED@APPAnet.org</a> or 1-202-467-2960

To apply: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/23era4a">http://tinyurl.com/23era4a</a>

# II. News You Can Use

# U.S. COLLEGES SEEK WAYS TO HELP INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS CONNECT WITH THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY

Find out how U.S. colleges are helping international students find their place on campus:

*U.S. Colleges Focus On Making International Students Feel at Home* chronicle.com/article/US-Colleges-Focus-On-Making/124108

Original article appeared August 24, 2010, in The Chronicle of Higher Education.

#### POLISH YOUR ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS ONLINE

A sampling of the wealth of ESL (English as a second language) resources available on the web:

- Office of English Language Programs, U.S. Department of State: ESL Resources for Teachers and Students and State Department Programs: <a href="mailto:exchanges.state.gov/englishteaching/index.html">exchanges.state.gov/englishteaching/index.html</a>
- Dynamic English:(August 2007) An Ejournal of the U.S. State Department and a publication of America.gov: <a href="https://www.america.gov/publications/ejournalusa/0807.html">www.america.gov/publications/ejournalusa/0807.html</a>
- Grammar Guides and Writing Resources from the New York Public Library: tinyurl.com/355nsuo
- Online Writing Lab: <u>owl.english.purdue.edu</u>
- Online English Language Program from the University of Oregon: oelp.uoregon.edu/
- The Nuts and Bolts of College Writing: nutsandbolts.washcoll.edu/
- Online English 1010 Handbook: Introduction To Academic Writing: courtesy of Utah State University ocw.usu.edu/English/english-1010/english-1010/english-1010-handbook.pdf
- Amherst College: Online Resources for Writers <u>www.amherst.edu/academiclife/support/writingcenter/resourcesforwriters</u>
- University of Wisconsin, Madison Writing Center: <a href="www.wisc.edu/writing/Handbook/">www.wisc.edu/writing/Handbook/</a>
- Dartmouth College Writing Center: www.dartmouth.edu/~writing/materials/about.shtml