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WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY (VA) JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIPS

Winners of the Johnson Scholarship receive awards of at least tuition, room and board to attend Washington and Lee University. Students with financial need higher than this amount will have any additional need met by the scholarship. Every year Johnson Scholarships are awarded to approximately ten percent of the incoming class.



In addition, Johnson Scholars receive funding in the amount of \$7,000 to support summer experiences during their time at Washington and Lee. Internships, volunteer experiences or research projects are just a few of the ways Johnson Scholars may use these funds to explore the world and their own potential for leadership. Applying for a Johnson Scholarship ensures consideration for all other available honor scholarships.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/1b3KeXW>

GONZAGA UNIVERSITY (WA) MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS



Merit scholarships are awarded to students who demonstrate excellence in their academics and extracurricular activities. All international students who complete the Application for Admission are automatically considered for merit scholarships. Freshmen scholarships range from \$3,000 to \$15,500 per year and are guaranteed for four years (as long as the student enters as a freshman and maintains good academic standing). Transfer scholarships range from \$10,500 to \$13,500 per year and are guaranteed for two years (as long as the student maintains good academic standing).

Criteria for the scholarship include difficulty of curriculum, grade point average, SAT, ACT, or TOEFL/IELTS test scores, extracurricular activities, recommendations, quality of the essay, and optional interview. Separate application forms are not required.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/1dwnLZu>



BROWARD COLLEGE (FL) INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MERIT SCHOLARSHIP



The International Student Merit Scholarship is available to all F1 and M1 students including degree seeking and language program students who meet the following requirements:

- * Complete the International Student Merit Scholarship Application.
- * Student must have an immigration status of F1 or M1.
- * Student must have successfully completed 24 credit hours at Broward College.
- * Student must be in good academic standing.
- * Student must have an overall minimum 3.0 grade point average.
- * Must be enrolled full time unless it is the student's last term to graduate.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/1gMhJSP>



EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY (TN) INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS



East Tennessee State University (ETSU) offers the International Students Academic Merit Scholarship for new international students at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The scholarship covers 50% of tuition. The scholarship award can last for up to eight semesters for undergraduate students, five semesters for students seeking a master's degree, and eight semesters for doctoral students (award lengths may vary for individual graduate programs). To be eligible for the scholarship, students must apply for admission to ETSU as full-time, degree-seeking students. Students can apply for the scholarship online, after applying for admission to ETSU, at www.etsu.edu/iss.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/oMFjnV>



EMERSON COLLEGE (MA) MERIT-BASED FELLOWSHIPS



Applicants who are judged to be exceptionally well-qualified for graduate study based upon their comprehensive academic credentials, including professional promise and past academic excellence are considered for these merit-based fellowships. Each program's faculty review committee selects the recipients, and awards range from \$5,000 per semester to full tuition. Please note that fellowships will not be awarded in excess of tuition costs.

Fellowship awardees must maintain full-time status (8 or more credits per semester, including summer terms, unless it is your final semester). All applicants who complete their admission application by the deadline for merit-aid consideration will be automatically reviewed for merit-based fellowships. There is no additional paperwork to fill out for consideration.

Find your program of interest for award amounts and duration on the university website.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/1dwuy5h>



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JOIN EDUCATIONUSA FOR THE MOOC COLLEGE WRITING 2.2X OFFERED BY UC-BERKELEY



BerkeleyX

EducationUSA, the U.S. Department of State supported advising network, will again be participating in College Writing 2.2x. This MOOC (Massive Open Online Course) offered by Berkeley X (University of California - Berkeley) is the second part of the academic writing course. In this part, you will focus on proofreading and self-editing; revision vs. editing; common errors in grammar, punctuation, and spelling; understanding tone and diction; vocabulary development. The course materials will be offered via readings, videos, and various types of homework assignments. There are suggested optional textbooks for additional writing work. You will participate in online discussions as well as peer review of your writing. You will complete one full essay for this part of the course.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/19rFu3h>

STUDY CALIFORNIA LAUNCHES NEW SITE FOR PROSPECTIVE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



Students looking for the right education opportunities in California can now utilize a new online website, www.studycalifornia.us. Study California is member based a 501 (c) (3) Public Benefit Corporation formed to serve appropriately accredited schools in California, with the goal of attracting talented international students to diverse educational programs offered by California's institutions of higher education and English language programs.

The new website provides students with streamlined access to information, including:

- Listing of associates, undergraduate, and graduate degrees, as well as English as a Second Language programs offered by an array of schools located in different regions within the state
- Admission applications and contact information, specifically for international students
- Resources on tips for searching for a school, internship programs, travel information, and life in California
- Requirements and links for international travel to the United States, including the F-1 VISA process, and tips on VISA interviews.

With world renowned national parks and recreation, students can enrich their education with infinite activities – art museums, beaches, golfing, hiking, nightlife, ski resorts, theme parks, wineries, and more. Visit www.studycalifornia.us to learn more about studying in California.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/K2jlae>

WHITWORTH UNIVERSITY (CA) DUAL DEGREE ENGINEERING PROGRAM



What is better than an undergraduate degree in Engineering from a U.S. university? Degrees from two respected U.S. universities. With the Whitworth Dual Degree program, students can begin an engineering education while leaving open their choices of a final engineering school and specialty. Upon successfully completing the Whitworth pre-engineering curriculum with a minimum 3.0 GPA, students are assured enrollment in one of the partner engineering schools: Columbia University, Washington University in St. Louis, University of Southern California, Washington State University, and Seattle Pacific University.

Students will receive two separate Bachelor of Science degrees, one from Whitworth University, and one from a partner institution, giving graduates a strong competitive edge in the job market. This five-year dual degree program takes only slightly longer to complete than many traditional engineering programs which average four-and-a-half years to complete.

Significant scholarships and need-based aid opportunities are available to qualifying students. There is no application fee for international students. We are accepting applications for Spring, 2014 and Fall, 2014. The application deadline is November 1, 2013, for the spring 2014 semester, and April 1, 2014, for fall 2014 semester.

For further information about this program, our scholarships and how to apply, please contact Marie Whalen, Assistant Director of International Admissions at mwhalen@whitworth.edu or at +1 509-777-4571. Please also visit our website at www.whitworth.edu.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/KZWCfC>



MISSOURI UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MO) AACSB-ACCREDITED PROGRAMS



Missouri University of Science and Technology (Missouri S&T) has earned initial accreditation of its business and information technology degree programs by the longest-serving global accrediting body for business and accounting programs.

Missouri S&T's Bachelor of Science in business and management systems, Bachelor of Science in information science and technology, Master of Business Administration and Master of Science in information science and technology degree programs all received accreditation from the Board of Directors of AACSB International – the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business.

In achieving this designation, Missouri S&T joins an elite group of institutions that have achieved business accreditation from AACSB International. Only 655 institutions hold AACSB accreditation for business – or fewer than 5% worldwide.

“Our departmental emphasis on preparing students for business and innovation in a technology-driven world makes our program distinctive. Now, we also have the AACSB International’s seal of approval that lets the world know we adhere to the most rigorous standards of quality,” says Dr. Keng L. Siau, chair of the business and information technology department. “I’m very proud of the work of our faculty and staff, and most importantly the achievements of our students, in meeting AACSB International’s standard of excellence for business education.”

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/177ZSzN>

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS (KS) BEGINS CONSTRUCTION ON NEW SCHOOL OF BUSINESS



Construction is underway at the University of Kansas School of Business for a \$65.7 million building project. The new building, a six-story, 166,000-square-foot structure, will be the largest academic facility ever erected at KU entirely through private support. At the groundbreaking ceremony, Chancellor Gray-Little proclaimed, “Today, we celebrate a new building that will position KU to compete with any business school facility in the world.” The new KU School of Business building is expected to be completed for the 2015-2016 academic year.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/1dMYWU3>



SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY (SD) INTERNATIONAL ORIENTATION KICKS-OFF SPRING SEMESTER



South Dakota State University welcomed 65 new international students to campus this spring. Starting January 6, students participated in a three-day Orientation event, featuring sessions to help prepare for life at SDSU and in the United States. Topics included language support, money and banking, immigration, and a round-table discussion on American culture.

“I attended the orientation sessions where I was able to meet other new international students and current students who were all helpful, friendly and welcoming,” said Shantelle Ferguson-Coakley, mother of new SDSU student Shaunte Ferguson-Coakley of the Bahamas. “I thought on my departure I would have wept, sobbed and hollered because I was leaving my only baby. But none of that happened. I left with a peace that SDSU is a great institution, the staff and students are supportive, and Brookings is a safe and livable community.”

More than 70 different countries are currently represented within the SDSU student population; since fall 2012, the total international student population has increased by more than 25%.

Applications are now being accepted for fall semester which begins August 2014. The SDSU Office of International Affairs is the hub for international student services and undergraduate admissions, ESL programs, study abroad planning and community connections programs.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/1gyveFJ>



Contact an EducationUSA adviser near you for guidance on finding and applying to an accredited U.S. college or university.

EducationUSA.state.gov (Note: students must apply for financial aid directly with the institution listed)

An archive of these and other past financial aid and news announcements is available at EducationUSA.info/financial-aid

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