Middle East Studies Learning Abroad Scholarship  
Summer 2020  
AWARD AMOUNT: $1500

The Middle East Studies Center is able to provide three scholarships of $1,500 for Middle East Studies majors participating in a study abroad program or global internship in the Middle East. These funds can be used to cover study abroad fees and tuition.

Eligibility Requirements
To be eligible, students must meet the following four criteria:
  a) Be a matriculated (degree-seeking) University of Utah student
  b) Have a minimum GPA of 2.5
  c) Have a declared major or minor in Middle East Studies
  d) Be approved to participate in an approved study abroad or global internship in the Middle East

Submission and Notification
Completed scholarship applications must be submitted in hard copy to the International and Area Studies office (CTIH 210) by 5:00pm on the day of the deadline. All application materials must be submitted together at one time. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Award notifications will go out via Umail two (2) to three (3) weeks after the application deadline.

For questions or more information, contact International and Area Studies at ias@utah.edu.

Applicant Information
U of U Student ID: ___________________________  Umail Address: ___________________________
First Name: _________________________________  Last Name: ______________________________
Major(s): ___________________________________  Minor(s): ______________________________
Are you a transfer student?  ☐Yes  ☐No
(if yes, please list the institution from which you have transferred) _______________________________
Statement of Purpose (500 words max.)
Please include a typed statement in which you discuss your academic and career goals, and explain as precisely as possible the relevance of your international experience to those goals. How will this particular experience contribute to your education and future plans? How have you prepared for your international experience? And how will you build on this experience after you return?

Statement of Financial Need (250 words max.)
Please include a typed statement in which you discuss the importance of this scholarship to your ability to complete the international experience. You may wish to include information about yourself and/or your family (this may include such things as whether or not you are a first-generation college student, what kinds of additional financial assistance you have earned to support your education, and your employment and/or family-related commitments). You may also wish to discuss how you plan to fund the remainder of the program costs that the scholarship may not cover.

Statement of Academic Merit and Engagement (250 words max)
Please include a typed statement in which you discuss your academic or other honors, achievements, and activities that you feel demonstrate your commitment to academic success and to lifelong learning. Relevant information may include any volunteer, community, and/or campus activities relevant to your academic and/or career goals.

Application Checklist
By writing my initials in each of the spaces below I, the signatory, confirm that:

_____ I am a matriculated (degree-seeking) University of Utah student.

_____ I have a minimum 2.5 GPA.

_____ I have declared a major in Middle East Studies.

_____ I am approved to participate on a study abroad through the Learning Abroad Office or a global internship through the Hinckley Institute

_____ I have attached a statement of purpose (up to 500 words), a statement of financial need (250 words), and a statement of academic merit/engagement (250 words).

_____ I have signed the Consent Agreement on this application.
Statement of Consent.
I understand that I must be approved for my program before the funds are dispersed.

I understand that I must participate in a study abroad program or global internship in order to be eligible for this scholarship.

I understand that scholarships are not transferable to another term. If I chose to participate in my program during another time period, I will be required to forfeit my scholarship and reapply for a different term.

I understand that I must successfully complete my program to retain any scholarships that I might receive. If I fail to complete the program for any reason, I will be required to forfeit any scholarship funds awarded for the program. If I withdraw from the program or am dismissed for any reason after an award is disbursed, I will receive a bill for the amount awarded.

I understand that, if I receive an award, I will be required to complete a Scholarship Agreement and meet the terms of that agreement. My failure to meet these expectations will result in forfeiting the scholarship.

I certify that all of the information that I have provided is true to the best of my knowledge. I agree to all of the terms of this scholarship and the expectations associated with it.

Signature________________________________________ Date__________________

Application Deadline
February 21, 2020
5:00 PM MST

Submit completed application to:
International & Area Studies
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215 S Central Campus Dr, CTIH 210
Salt Lake City, UT 84112
801.581.6101