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I. Scholarships and Fellowships

Undergraduate: Juniata College Undergraduate Programs
Huntington, Pennsylvania

Program Description

Juniata College is a four-year, undergraduate college of 1400 students. The college campus is situated in the town of Huntington Pennsylvania. Larger cities, such as Washington D.C., Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, are accessible by train from Huntington, or can be reached in a few hours drive. Listed among America's top colleges and universities, Juniata offers Bachelor programs in over 50 areas of study. Students may design their own program with the help of two faculty advisors. With an average class size of 20 students, students at Juniata are assured of a challenging yet personalized educational experience.

Juniata College prides itself in its commitment to international students. Of a total of 1400 students, approximately 80 are international students from 30 countries and represent a combination of degree-seeking, ESL, and exchange students.

Juniata's Center for International Education (CIE) ensures that international students receive the support they need in adjusting to Juniata as quickly as possible. Juniata guarantees housing for all international students and offers over 90 different clubs and student activities. Students who do not meet Juniata's English language requirement, but who otherwise are academically qualified, may be offered conditional admission. Before attending the college as a full-time student, they are required to complete ESL classes in Juniata's Intensive English Program to reach the required level of English proficiency.

Participating students will receive a \$2,000 per year International Friendship Award. Most international students are eligible for partial merit-based scholarships (scholarships for students with a record of high academic achievement) and need-based grants (grants based on the financial need of student). Currently, these scholarships range in amount from \$2,000 to \$10,000.

In general, financial assistance for students who are not U.S. citizens or resident aliens is limited and is dependent upon funds available. International students are expected to provide a substantial proportion of their expenses at Juniata.

Application Deadline: May 1

Eligibility Requirements

Completion of secondary school education (high school) in good standing.

Application requirements:

- Juniata Application (online at <https://www.juniata.edu/admission/apply.html>)
- official secondary school (high school) academic records (transcripts, certificates, and diplomas) with certified English translations
- a TOEFL score of 550 (213 computer based exam) or better is required for unconditional admission.
- essay written by the student
- letter of recommendation from a teacher or school official
- proof of financial support
- \$30 nonrefundable application fee

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**Undergraduate, Graduate: SFSU Edward B. Kaufmann Scholarship
San Francisco State University**

Program Description

The scholarship intends to support classified graduate and undergraduate students pursuing a degree within the College of Humanities other than the Department of Humanities. Majors in the Department of Humanities are prohibited from applying for the College of Humanities Kaufmann scholarship. Majors in the Department of Humanities are eligible to apply to the Departmental Kaufmann Scholarship.

Eligibility Requirements: essay; 2 recommendation letters from faculty; transcript; min GPA of 3.25 for undergrads, 3.5 for grads

For the department scholarship:

Grad applicants must have already completed 6 units toward the Humanities M.A. degree by the time of application, must be enrolled in at least 3 units at the time of application and at the time of receipt, and must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. Undergrad applicants must have completed 12 units toward the B.A. in Humanities, and must have a minimum 3.0 GPA.

Requirements:

Cover sheet; unofficial transcript; 2 letter of recommendation from Humanities Dep't. faculty members; statement on the significance of the Humanities M.A. program to applicant; statement of financial need.

Further Information

<http://www.sfsu.edu/~collhum/scholarships.html>

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Graduate: Penn State Dickinson School of Law - Masters of Laws (LLM) Program

Pennsylvania State University Dickinson School of Law

Program Description

The Dickinson School of Law is one of the oldest and most prestigious law schools in America. A leader in the internationalization of legal studies, the Dickinson School of Law accepts a select class of international lawyers each year from a broad range of countries and backgrounds. Students of the L.L.M. program take classes with J.D. students and design their own course of study from the many classes and electives offered by the school. Faculty are open to working with students and professional advisors are available to assist with career planning or adjustment to American life. The program plans a variety of external activities each year designed to introduce students to American legal institutions, to supplement their studies and to provide opportunities for interaction with other law students.

Application Deadline: May 15, 2008

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants to the program must hold a law degree from an accredited institution outside of the United States equivalent to the J.D. and have an advanced proficiency in English.

A complete application should include:

- Complete application with \$60 fee (see: http://www.dsl.psu.edu/academics/llm_program/applyllm.cfm)
- Transcript with English translation
- Official TOEFL report (min. score of 575/230) or IELTS (min. score of 6.5)
- Personal statement
- 2 letters of recommendation

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- Visa application
- Financial Certification Form and supporting documents
- 2 passport-sized photos

Further Information

Pen State Dickinson School of Law: www.dsl.psu.edu

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Graduate, Doctorate, Post Doctorate: WPI Graduate Science and Engineering Programs
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Massachusetts

Program Description

Founded in 1865 in Worcester, Mass., WPI is one of the nation's premier engineering and technology-focused universities. WPI's 18 academic departments offer 36 Master's and 17 Ph.D. degree programs in science, engineering, technology, management, and the social sciences, leading to the MS, ME, MBA and Ph.D. WPI's world-class faculty work with students in a number of cutting-edge research areas, leading to breakthroughs and innovations in such fields as biotechnology, fuel cells, nanotechnology, and information security. In support of research endeavors, the University maintains numerous labs, research centers, and advanced research institutes, as well as a renowned information technology infrastructure. Furthermore, their success in forming partnerships with industry leaders, government laboratories, and other universities has enabled them to broaden their students' experience and opportunities. WPI's students come from more than 70 countries, and international students make up 35 percent of their full-time graduate student population.

Areas of Study: Biochemistry Biology Biotechnology Chemistry Computer Science Engineering Finance Information Technology Life Sciences Mathematics Physical Sciences Physics Science Social Science

Levels of Study: Graduate Doctorate Post Doctorate

Open to Students from: any region

Award Types: Associate Fellowship

Avg. Award Amount: \$15,000

Number of Awards: 256

Award Coverage: Monthly stipend (avg. \$1667 per month) plus tuition credits (18-20 per year).

Award Duration: 9 months

Award Deadline: October, January

Eligibility Requirements

Must have a minimum TOEFL score of 550 PBT/ 213 CBT/79-80 IBT or IELTS min band of 6.5 with no band score below 6.0. GRE scores are required for some departments.

Further Information: <http://www.grad.wpi.edu>

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APS Postdoctoral Fellowship in Physiological Genomics
 Sponsored By The American Physiological Society

Program Description:

Formerly known as the APS-Genentech Postdoctoral Fellowship, the APS Postdoctoral Fellowship in Physiological Genomics has been established in recognition of the fact that many advances in genomics ultimately require a functional understanding in the context of the organism, and special training is needed to conduct this type of research.

Areas of Study: health science, life science

Level of Study: postdoctoral

Open to Students from: any country

Award Types: fellowship

Average Award Amount: first year of \$36,000, plus a trainee allowance of \$3,500; and a second-year stipend of \$38,000, plus a trainee allowance of \$3,500

Award Duration: 2 years

Award Deadline: usually in January

Eligibility Requirements

The ideal candidate is one who has completed outstanding work in a top-flight graduate program (e.g., molecular biology, genetics, etc.) and who has the intention of employing organ system approaches during his/her postdoctoral training. Alternatively, a well-trained graduate in integrative physiology might wish to expand his/her work through the use of molecular biological tools and genomics. A central criterion of the postdoctoral project requires the scientist to use the tools of cellular and molecular biology in the setting of the whole animal. [Assays and/or analyses can be performed in vitro on material harvested from control and experimental animals, but material cannot solely be harvested and then exposed to the control and experimental conditions in vitro.

A candidate for this program should identify a laboratory within the United States and a sponsor who is an APS Member in good standing under whose supervision a project in organ system physiology and molecular biology/genomics can be combined. The laboratory host/sponsor must be a member of the American Physiological Society, and it is anticipated that award recipients will join the Society. Adequate progress must be demonstrated by a written report submitted to the APS following the first year before a second year stipend and trainee allowance can be awarded

Application Information

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Further information

More information about application procedure available on website: <http://www.the-aps.org/awards/student.htm#Postdoc>

Intensive English Program: Juniata College Intensive English Program

Huntington, Pennsylvania

Program Description

Juniata College offers English as a Second Language courses for degree-seeking students, exchange students, and those who want to study only ESL for a semester or two. Courses are offered at the intermediate and advanced level - there are no beginning courses. Classes take place on the Juniata College campus in the town of Huntington Pennsylvania. Larger cities, such as Washington D.C., Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, are accessible by train from Huntington.

Students spend 20 to 25 hours in class each week, studying under highly experienced professors certified in Teaching English as a Second Language. Classes are small, allowing students to get to know their professors and develop their English in a supportive environment. The course emphasizes:

- Strengthening speaking ability through in-class discussions with international and American students and interviews with local people
- Practice in listening and understanding academic lectures in real university classes
- Developing university-level writing and research skills
- Expanding vocabulary and increasing reading speed
- Developing the self-confidence to use English in a professional or U.S. university setting
- Giving the participant a broad experience of American culture and of life at a U.S. college/university

All IEP courses carry college credit and degree-seeking students may use up to 15 credits toward their undergraduate degree.

Scholarship Information

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Award Deadline: May 15, 2008

Eligibility Requirements

Students must have an intermediate level of English and have completed secondary school in good standing. In addition, the following items are required for admission:

1. Intensive English Program Application Form - both online and hard copy version
2. Affidavit of Support form to apply for an I-20
3. Document of Financial guarantee (a bank statement or bank letter, on paper)
4. Copy of the photo page of your passport (on paper)
5. Non-refundable fee of \$50.00 and housing deposit of \$200.00 - in U.S. dollars or drawn on a U.S. bank

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Further Information

Program page: <http://www.juniata.edu/departments/international/iep/index.html>
 Juniata College Site: www.juniata.edu

II. News you can use

Chronicle of Higher Education Article: Community Colleges Take on Global Challenges

Governments and organizations in developing countries including China and India are looking for models to invigorate outdated vocational training systems, and are looking to United States community colleges for a model, according to a new article in the *Chronicle of Higher Education*.

Read the full article here: <http://chronicle.com/free/v54/i32/32a04003.htm>.

Coming in May 2008: IIE Study Abroad White Paper Issue No. 2

Meeting America's Global Education Challenge: Exploring Host Country Capacity for Increasing U.S. Study Abroad

Highlighting the results of a new survey conducted by IIE in the fall of 2007 among over 500 higher education institutions outside of the U.S., this paper will address some of the critical challenges and potential areas for growth for increasing U.S. study abroad participation. The paper focuses on the issue of existing and future capacity abroad to host a greatly increased number of U.S. students, and is second in IIE's white paper series and research initiative on *Meeting America's Global Education Challenge*. This IIE initiative offers educators and policymakers focused data and information on current capabilities and future capacity, as well as recommendations for action to maximize resources and pave the way for substantial study abroad growth.

For more information, or to download the first IIE Study Abroad White Paper on "*Current Trends in Study Abroad: The Impact of Strategic Diversity Initiatives*," visit: www.iienetwork.org/?p=StudyAbroadCapacity or email policyresearch@iie.org.