

CREATING PARTNERSHIPS TO ADVISE ON INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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CREATING PARTNERSHIPS

- Seeking diverse students; offering incredible opportunities for global involvement.
 - Sharing information on programs
 - Serving as resources on int'l opportunities and careers outreach
 - Flagging programs with similar aims



Student Programs Overview



- Diversify the kinds of students who study and intern abroad
- Diversify regions/countries of destination
- Require community service project

U.S. Department of State,
Bureau of Educational &
Cultural Affairs



- Increase study in areas critical to national security
- Emphasize language study
- Require government service

National Security Education Programs



 Increase mutual understanding between people of the U.S. and people of other countries through exchange

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Cultural Affairs





Overview

- Broaden the base of Americans studying and mastering critical languages
- Building relationships between the people of the United States and other countries

U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational & Cultural Affairs



Eligibility



- U.S. Citizen
- Undergraduate student
- Federal Pell Grant recipient
- Receiving academic credit
- Any country NOT under U.S.
 Department of State Travel
 Warning or Cuba
- Minimum 4 weeks
- Minimum 2 weeks for community college students



- U.S. citizen
- Undergraduate student (scholarship) or graduate student (fellowship)
- Not graduating until after Boren funding period
- Planning to study in an eligible world region
- Planning to study a foreign language



- U.S. Citizen
- At least Bachelor's degree or equivalent by start of grant
- No PhD at time of application
- Proficiency in language of host country (varies by country)





Eligibility

- U.S. citizen
- Currently enrolled as an undergraduate or graduate student in U.S. university
- Completed at least first year of college-level study by beginning of CLS Program
- Some programs require previous language study
- Students expected to continue language studies in remainder of academic program and professional career



Maximum Award Amounts



Study Abroad Awards

- \$5,000
- Fall & Spring Avg: \$4,000
- Summer Avg: \$3,000

Career-Oriented Internship Awards

• \$5,000

Critical Need Language Award

• \$8,000



Boren Scholarships

- \$20,000/Year
- \$10,000/Semester
- \$8,000/Summer (8+ weeks, STEM Only)

Boren Fellowships

- \$12,000 Domestic
- \$24,000 Overseas
- \$30,000 Combined



Covers

- Round-trip Airfare
- Monthly Stipend
- Accident & Sickness Insurance
- Additional Benefits
 Possible

Varies, dependent on grant and host country





Benefits

- International travel to/from host country
- Domestic travel to Washington for pre-departure orientation (required)
- Applicable visa fees
- Group-based, intensive language instruction
- Housing and meals
- Cultural excursions and activities in host country
- Strengthen target language skills





Regions/Countries



Encourages nontraditional destinations, including:

- Asia
- Latin America
- Middle East
- Africa



Study abroad program or self-designed study plan in:

- Africa
- Asia
- Central & Eastern Europe
- Eurasia
- Latin America
- Middle East



Research/Study Grant

~140 Countries

English Teaching Assistantship

~70 Countries



Institute Locations

- Azerbaijan
- Bangladesh
- China
- India
- Morocco
- Oman
- Turkey
- Russia
- Japan
- Indonesia
- Jordan
- Korea

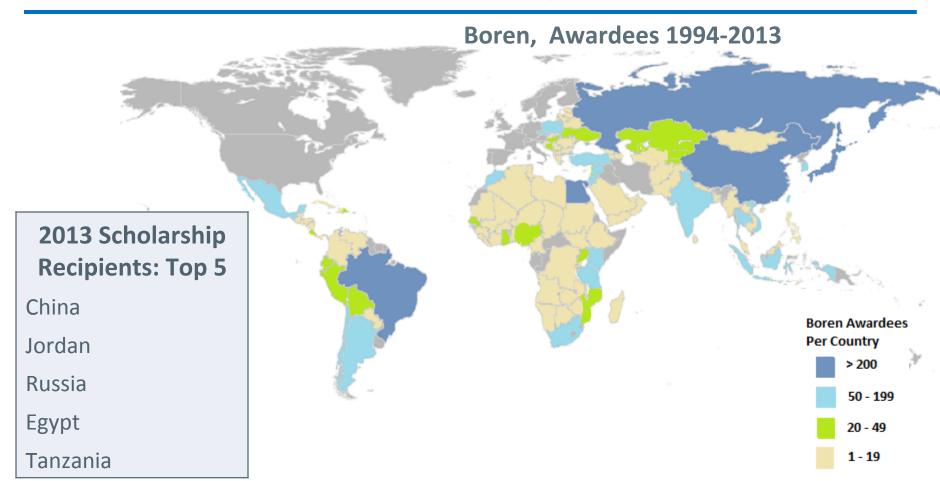


Gilman Regions, 2013-2014

Region	Applicants	Recipients
Africa	499	255
Asia	1,810	926
Eastern Europe	302	129
Latin America	1,133	442
Middle East/N. Africa	257	150 58%
North America	14	2
Oceania	351	59
Western Europe	4,798	799
Total	9,164	2,762



Boren Regions







Number of Awards









Study Abroad Awards

• Over 2,300 Available

Career-Oriented Internship Awards

200 available

Boren Scholarships

~160 Scholarships

Boren Fellowships

~110 Awards

Research/Study Grant

900 Awards

English Teaching Assistant

• 900 Awards

Intensive Language and Cultural Immersion Scholarships

550 Awards









Deadlines



Spring 2016/ Summer 2016 Early App

- Applicant: October6, 2015
- Advisor: October13, 2015

Summer 2016

 Applicant and Advisor: Early March 2016

Fall 2016/ AY 2016-17

Same as summer

iie.org/gilman



Application Opens: August 2015

Campus Deadline:
November/December
2016

National Deadlines: January/February 2016 (dates TBD)

borenawards.org



Application Opens: March 2015

Campus Deadline: September/October 2015

National Deadline: October 2015

us.fulbrightonline.or

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Application Opens: September 2015

National Deadline: November 2015

clscholarship.org





Application Tips

- Select a program that meets grant or scholarship eligibility criteria
- Proof read
- Meet the language prerequisite
- Address essay prompts
- Create a unique & feasible Followon Service Project (Gilman)
- Be mindful of falling prey to the sin of omission
- Show, Don't Tell

 Give concrete examples
- Work with campus advisor or rep

- Seek out individuals who can write you strong letters of recommendation
- Articulate correlation
 between target program, research
 and/or language, current
 academic program, and future plans
- Provide clear career goals, clear path to career and language proficiency goals
- Check application for accuracy
- Provide a personal connection to country and/or language





Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Program







Overview

Prepares young people for careers in int'l affairs

- Promotes excellence & diversity in Foreign Service.
- Funded by U.S. Department of State; managed by Howard University.

Two components

- The Rangel International Affairs Graduate Fellowship
- The Rangel Int'l Affairs Summer Enrichment Program



Graduate Fellowship

Prepares individuals for careers in the Foreign Service of the U.S Department of State.

Program elements include:

- Award of up to \$95,000 over two years, for tuition, fees, living expenses, summer internships.
- An orientation to the Program and the Foreign Service.
- An 10-week internship on Capitol Hill the first summer.
- A 10-week **overseas internship** in a U.S. Embassy the second summer.
- Mentoring from a Foreign Service Officer.
- Employment with the Foreign Service.



Rangel Fellowship Award

- Up to \$95,000 over two years
 - \$21,500 per year for tuition and fees
 - \$16,000 per year for living stipend
 - \$10,000 per year for internships (including housing and transportation)
- Some graduate programs provide supplemental financial assistance.



Obligations

- Medical, security and suitability clearances
- GPA of 3.2
- Meet State Department entry requirements
- Five year service obligation

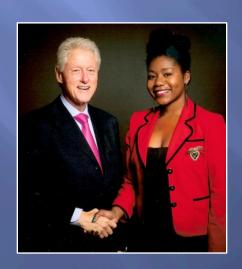
Eligibility

- U.S. citizenship
- GPA of at least 3.2
- Readiness to enter grad school in the fall of the year you apply for a two-year master's program at a U.S. institution.
 - Apply to graduate school simultaneously.



Selection Process

- 30 fellowships in 2016
- Application deadline: January 13, 2016
- Academics, personal statement, financial need, letters of recommendation, community service and leadership.
- End of February selection of finalists
- Mid-March finalist interviews and selections





Tips for Preparing a Competitive Application

- Review application requirements to ensure eligibility and prepare.
- Explain in **statement of interest** motivations for applying and identify background, experiences and skills for a successful FSO.
- Demonstrate academic ability and rigor in studies.
- Obtain strong letters of recommendation; monitor arrival.
- Demonstrate the **need for financial assistance** for graduate school.
- Include all relevant extracurricular, community or volunteer experiences; highlight leadership roles.
- List all relevant college, university or professional honors and awards.
- **Proofread** all aspects of your application carefully; submit all application materials on time.

Rangel International Affairs Summer Enrichment Program

6-week program in DC that discusses current int'l affairs issues and trends, introduces career options, and provides skills &knowledge to pursue them.

Program:

- 2 classes (History of Foreign Policy, Political Economy and intensive writing seminar),
- Meetings/visits with foreign policy practitioners
- Professional skills development,
- Exploration of fellowships, scholarships, grad school

Benefits: tuition, transportation, room and meals, stipend

Application Deadline: February 3, 2016





DONALD M. PAYNE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP



Photo by: WFP



Congressman Donald M. Payne (left), Dr. Rajiv Shah, USAID Administrator (right)





Donald M. Payne Int'l Development Fellowship

Structure similar to Rangel Fellowship - \$90,000 in benefits, two years of grad school plus internships, mentoring, employment

Differences

- Prepares individuals for careers in US Agency for International Development (USAID)
- Overseas internship is at USAID Mission
- Wider range of possible MA programs: International Development,
 Public Policy, Public Administration, Business Administration, Urban
 Studies, Agriculture, Economics, Health, Environmental Studies etc.
- Application deadline: January 19, 2016



Questions?







