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I. Scholarships and Fellowships

HIRAM COLLEGE GLOBAL SCHOLARSHIP OFFERS UP TO \$19,000 PER ACADEMIC YEAR

Hiram College, located in the northeastern region of Ohio, is a small private liberal arts institution known for its academic excellence and its focused research institutes. By submitting a general application for admission, international students are automatically considered one of Hiram's merit-based Global Scholarships. Global Scholarships are international student financial awards that cover a maximum of \$19,000 per year and that can be renewed annually for up to four years of study.

Global scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic preparation and performance, standardized test scores, class rank, teacher evaluations, personal essay, and individual skills and talents. The strongest emphasis is placed on academic performance.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/mUC1lg>



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE AT GEORGIA COLLEGE

Georgia College and State University offers the International Student Scholarship (IIS), which is awarded as a tuition waiver that covers either the full cost or half of the cost of out-of-state tuition. Students are considered for the IIS based on academic ability, extracurricular involvement, and financial need.

Georgia College is a public liberal arts university in Milledgeville, Georgia, which is in the central part of the state. The student body includes more than 100 international students from 50 countries.

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



EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY OFFERS INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

The International Student Academic Merit Scholarship at East Tennessee State University is open to new international students who plan to study at the undergraduate or the graduate level. This scholarship covers 50% of total tuition costs and maintenance fees.

International students may also apply for other funding opportunities offered at ETSU, including Graduate Assistantships, Honors Program Scholarships, and the Public Performance Scholarship.

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



CAMPBELL FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN SCHOLAR-PRACTITIONERS FROM DEVELOPING NATIONS

The School for Advanced Research on the Human Experience (SAR) and the Vera Campbell Foundation offer the Campbell Fellowship, which provides financial support for one six-month fellowship to a female social scientist from a developing nation. The Campbell fellow can be a PhD candidate or a post-doctoral scholar whose research deals with women's economic and social empowerment in her home country.

The Campbell Fellowship intends to advance the scholarly careers of women social scientists from developing nations and to support research that addresses issues surrounding gender inequality in the developing world. The Fellow will be selected based on citizenship, academic discipline, research topic, and English fluency.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/2xLYWT>



II. News You Can Use

COLLEGE ESSAYS: THE COMMON APPLICATION SETS 500-WORD LIMIT ON MAIN ESSAY

Essays are an important part of the college admissions process because they provide an opportunity for students to showcase their personality and their spirit to the admissions committee. However, for this very reason writing an essay is often one of the most challenging part of an application; students must memorably express themselves in a small amount of space.

The essay component of the Common Application, an undergraduate admissions application that is accepted by 415 colleges and universities across the US, has been unlimited in length for the past four years. However, Common App recently announced its decision to place a limit of 500 words on its main essay. This change means that students will be forced to be more concise when writing their essays and must clearly communicate their opinions, ideas, and writing skills within the space of 500 words. Students will still have a choice of six different essay prompts for the essay.

Read More: <http://wapo.st/lvQ7M8>

ADVICE: HOW TO AVOID COMMON FRESHMAN MISTAKES

Starting college or university for the first time can be extremely stressful for many students, and incoming freshmen often have many questions and worries about academic and social life on campus. These uncertainties often seem even more intimidating to international students, who must not only deal with new academic challenges but must also adjust to a new cultural environment.

Unigo, an online resource guide for prospective undergraduate students, addresses some of these general concerns and offers helpful tips from experts in the field. Some of the topics covered include how to effectively manage your free time, what to do to ensure you meet deadlines, and how to communicate with your professors.

Read More: <http://bit.ly/jrqqiF>

BUSINESS SCHOOL: M.B.A. PROGRAMS TACKLE GLOBAL CHALLENGE

M.B.A programs at universities around the U.S. are not only taking steps to expand their curricula to incorporate a variety of international perspectives; they also are realizing the importance of recruiting international students in order to better connect with the global business network.

A recent article in US News and World Report highlights the initiatives underway by U.S. business schools that attempt to bring in a greater number of students from developing countries and emerging markets. In order to help these markets grow, the article states that universities are looking at various ways to incentivize international students to come to the U.S. to study and to then return to their home countries to apply their newly-acquired knowledge and skills.

Read More: <http://bit.ly/jVvgDE>

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