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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN LA CROSSE MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

The University of Wisconsin-La Crosse was founded in 1909 as the La Crosse Normal School. Today, it is one of the 13 four-year campuses in the University of Wisconsin System. Originally known for its nationally recognized physical education program, UW-La Crosse now offers 85 undergraduate programs in 30 disciplines, and 21 graduate programs and emphases in eight disciplines.



The University of Wisconsin-La Crosse assists international students with some scholarship opportunities. Every semester, the Office of International Education allocates money to students who are greatly involved in educating others on their home country/culture and who maintain a high GPA. The funding for these scholarships comes from the Student Association and the UW System Fund.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/M2tra2>

THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII HILO MERIT- AND NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

The University of Hawaii at Hilo is a state university with a private college atmosphere. We offer small class sizes, a low faculty-to-student ratio and opportunities for research and hands-on learning. As a public university, the University of Hawaii at Hilo has a unique position in the State—and country—by offering a rigorous and engaging curriculum at an affordable tuition rate. The admission requirements are moderately selective, allowing above-average students the opportunity to enjoy the benefits of a small school experience.



This scholarship is awarded to undergraduate international students who have demonstrated outstanding academic merit and have some degree of financial need. Scholarships are limited and are awarded on a competitive basis to students with a GPA of 3.0 or better. Preference is given to students from countries in the Asia and Pacific region, but anyone who is in F-1 student status may apply. Students must have completed at least 12 graded credit hours at any UH campus at the time of application. The scholarship amount for 2011-- 2012 was approximately \$2,000 per semester.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/15BnYEp>

FLORIDA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS



Florida Institute of Technology is an independent technological university that provides quality education, furthers knowledge through basic and applied research, and serves the diverse needs of our local, state, national and international constituencies. As an independent technological university, Florida Tech offers state-of-the-art facilities, top-notch faculty, a diverse student body and innovative research combined with a dynamic location and exceptional reputation.

International student academic scholarships are available through the Office of Admission. Scholarships are awarded to students with very strong secondary school grades and may be available to qualified students regardless of country of citizenship. Scholarships range from \$10,500 to \$18,000 per year and are awarded automatically at the time of admission. No additional scholarship application is needed. These scholarships are only awarded to students with no prior community college or university course work.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/H2LyAk>

KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY NON-RESIDENT FEE WAIVER



Kennesaw State University (KSU) is the third-largest university in Georgia with more than 24,600 undergraduate and graduate students representing 132 countries. Accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), KSU offers 80 bachelor's, master's and doctorate degree programs including undergraduate degrees in education, health, business, the humanities, the arts, science and math. The university's graduate degree programs include nursing, business, information systems, conflict management, public administration, education and professional writing. KSU's expanding doctoral programs currently offer doctorates in education, business and nursing, as well as KSU's first Ph.D program in International Conflict Management.

Kennesaw State University will waive (not charge) the non-resident fees for a limited number of international students who are presently in the United States on an F-1 (or a J-1) visa. Only international students in the United States on an F-1 (or a J-1) visa are eligible for the non-resident/out-of-state Fee Waiver. This waiver covers the non-resident/out-of-state fees; the student must continue to pay the in-state portion of the tuition fees.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/URJ9Px>

AUBURN UNIVERSITY ASSISTANTSHIPS



Auburn University was established in 1856 as the East Alabama Male College, 20 years after the city of Auburn's founding. In 1872, under the Morrill Act, the school became the first land-grant college in the South and was renamed the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Alabama. Today, Auburn is one of the few universities to carry the torch as a land, sea and space grant university. Our Fall 2012 semester enrollment was 25,134. Our students can choose from more than 140 degree options in 13 schools and colleges at the undergraduate, graduate and professional levels.

To be on assistantship, a graduate student must be in a degree-seeking program. The student must be registered in the Banner classification of MST, EDS, PHD, EDD, or GPR. A graduate student must satisfy the minimum course load specifications of the individual departments and be making satisfactory progress toward the degree. Graduate students may hold multiple assistantships and the assistantships may come from different units on campus, but together they cannot add up to more than a 100 percent appointment. Multiple assistantships for international graduate students cannot add up to more than a 50 percent work appointment.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/NN7L2E>

THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY FELLOWSHIPS



The University of California was chartered in 1868 and its flagship campus — envisioned as a "City of Learning" — was established at Berkeley, on San Francisco Bay. Today the world's premier public university and a wellspring of innovation, UC Berkeley occupies a 1,232 acre campus with a sylvan 178-acre central core. From this home its academic community makes key contributions to the economic and social well-being of the Bay Area, California, and the nation.

Fellowships may provide a stipend, fees, and tuition to support the living and educational expenses of graduate study. Although Berkeley has a strong fellowship program, the number of awards is limited. To be considered, you must be nominated by your department. If you are considered for a fellowship, your application will be judged competitively on the basis of the quality of your previous academic work, on the evidence of your ability to do research, and on your promise of becoming a productive scholar.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/URHZU7>

II. Campus News

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS LEARN TO MAKE THE SOUTH THEIR HOME

Life in the South has been markedly different from the rest of the country even before the introduction of the Mason-Dixon Line. As Theresa Crupi, a 20-year-old New York native, said, "Louisiana is unlike any other place in the country. Louisiana is southern, but is unique even in the South."



In fall 2012, 15 percent of the nearly 30,000 undergraduate and graduate students enrolled at LSU were from out of state, and 5 percent were from another country. That means a fifth of the student body is in the process of acclimating to this culture. International students have the opportunity to do so through the International Hospitality Foundation (IHF) at LSU, which concentrates its efforts into a Friendship Host program. Executive Director Virginia Grenier said the purpose of the nonresidential program is "friendship and intercultural understanding."

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/XMIF9c>

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS SHOWCASE FOOD AND CULTURE

More than 150 international students representing over 30 countries are represented at the International street food bazaar. Many complete the finishing touches just in time. Students like Zaazaa. "You cook your own food and you're proud of your own country..." "It's a showcase, you show your own traditional food and clothes and everything so, it's really fun," says Zaazaa.



In addition to food, international students also sold clothing and performed traditional music and dance.

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

NEW GROUP LINKS INTERNATIONAL AND AMERICAN STUDENTS



A new club on campus is aiming to link the gaps between international students and their American counterparts. Buddies Without Borders is a program that matches international and American students to promote bonding through interests, working with one another and bridging cultures together, according to the BWB website.

There are many benefits to being associated with BWB, members said. One can gain a close friendship with another person who has things in common with them. Conversation skills and cultural knowledge are expanded with being in the group. Also, one could participate in the Leadership Certificate program.

For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/XML9nS>

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)

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