The Institute of International Studies announces

Grants for Student Study Abroad, 2015-16
(for students not traveling as part of a Missouri Southern-sponsored group trip)

Range of Awards:

$1,250 per qualified student for an entire semester or year*
$1,000 per qualified student for a short-term study abroad trip**

Deadline for Applications:

Round One: October 9, 2015
Round Two: January 22, 2016
Round Three: April 15, 2016 (for travel after July 1, 2016)

Eligibility:

Students must have a minimum 2.5 GPA and be a full-time Missouri Southern student to be eligible for a grant. A student applying in Round One must have completed or be enrolled in a combined total of 24 hours during the current semester and the two immediately preceding semesters. A student applying in Round Two or Round Three must have completed or be enrolled in a combined total of 24 hours during the current semester and the two immediately preceding semesters. **If a student's GPA drops below 2.5 before the study abroad experience, or if the student drops/fails a class and no longer has full-time status, his or her funding will be revoked.** These awards may not be used in conjunction with scholarship assistance given to allow participation in the Summer in Sweden program. The awards must be used for educational pursuits that result in academic credit and may not be used solely for touring.

Graduate students must have a minimum 2.5 GPA and have completed at least nine hours of graduate study and be currently enrolled in at least nine hours of graduate study at the time of the application.

Purpose of the Grant Program:

To provide support for full-time students who wish to increase their international experience and/or to increase their competency in a language other than English. The program encourages study at an international institution outside the United States, participation in international internships, or participation in any recognized international experience approved by the International Grants Committee. The study abroad experience must result in the student earning academic credit from MSSU. The Institute of International Studies will be glad to assist students in identifying possibilities.

Submission Process:

Applicants are to submit 10 copies of the application on the reverse side of this sheet, with a two-page statement stapled to each application, to the administrative assistant of the Institute of International Studies, Room 337-C of Webster Hall, no later than 4 p.m. on the deadline date.

*Can be used only for airfare or other transportation-related expenses.
**A student is allowed only one short-term study abroad grant, including faculty-led trips.
APPLICATION
STUDENT STUDY ABROAD GRANT
2015-16
(for students not traveling as part of a Missouri Southern-sponsored group trip)

Name: ____________________________________ Phone number: ________________________________
SID#: __________________________________ Email address: ________________________________

Current mailing address: (street) ____________________________________________________________
(city) __________________________ (state) __________ (zip) ______________________________

Home address: (street) ________________________________________________________________
(city) __________________________ (state) __________ (zip) ______________________________

Major: ______________________________ Major advisor: __________________________________

Minor: ______________________________ Total hours completed: __________________________

Current GPA: ___________________ Hours currently enrolled: ____________________________

Hours left for graduation: _______________ Graduation date: _____________________________

Name or title of my proposed study abroad experience: _________________________________

Goal of this study abroad experience: __________________________________________________

Dates of trip: ____________________________ Destination: _________________________________________________________________________

Total cost of trip: ______________________

Academic credit that will result (please be specific): _______________________________________

Which academic department(s) on campus will be awarding the credit? __________________

Program? (ISEP, Bilateral Exchange or Independent*): _________________________________

*If going on an Independent trip, include supporting material about the sponsoring organization and a letter from your advisor and/or department chair about the legitimacy and benefits of the experience.

Previous international experience: ______________________________________________________

Please attach to this application a two-page statement in which you answer the following questions using these headings: How did you hear about this study abroad experience? How will this study abroad experience benefit your academic career at MSSU? How might it affect your career goals? What do you hope to accomplish? How will you receive academic credit from MSSU? What is your projected flight itinerary and flight cost?

If approved for a Student Study Abroad Grant, I will submit a full and comprehensive report (minimum 1,000 words) to the Institute of International Studies within 30 days of my return.

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Date              Signature of Applicant

_________________________________________      ______________________________
Date              Signature of Advisor

_________________________________________      ______________________________
Date              Signature of Department Chair Granting Credit