ROBERT ELLER SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDY ABROAD

UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA STUDY ABROAD CENTER

PURPOSE

The Robert Eller Scholarship has been established to foster the educational, professional, and personal growth of an undergraduate student at the University of Northern Iowa by providing funds for a semester or a year of study outside the U.S. to a student whose previous travel and study experiences abroad have been limited.

ELIGIBILITY

All applicants must meet the following qualifications:

- Iowa residency (Iowa birth or three years of Iowa residency)
- Full-time enrollment at UNI in a degree-granting program with a minimum of 3.00 GPA
- At least sophomore status and no less than one semester of study at UNI after program abroad
- Completion of UNI's foreign language graduation requirement before the initiation of the program abroad

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

Submit the following documents to the **Study Abroad Center, Gilchrist 28, attention: Stephanie Miller**

1. **Application Form**
2. **Essay** detailing the anticipated educational and professional benefits of participation in the program
3. **Resume** including service and leadership activities, previous travel experience, association with persons from other countries, and foreign language study
4. **Detailed information on your proposed program abroad, estimated costs, and academic credits to be earned** (two-page limit)
5. **Sources and amounts of funding currently for studies at UNI and anticipated for period abroad**
6. **Copy of grade audit**
7. **Two letters of recommendation**, one from a UNI faculty member and one from outside the university

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Applications will be evaluated on the quality of the proposal, the student's readiness for the proposed program, and demonstrated financial need. Preference will be given to students with little or no previous travel, study, or residence in a foreign country. The Scholarship Committee will interview three finalists and select the recipient and an alternate.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Report. A written summary discussing the academic and personal benefits of program participation must be submitted to the Study Abroad Center within 30 days of return to the U.S.

Presentations. The scholarship recipient will be expected to make a presentation to EMERITAS (former UNI faculty) about his/her study abroad experience, as well as to other students at UNI throughout the semester.

Application Deadline

- **November 8th, 2013 for spring applicants.** The scholarship recipient will be notified in December.

NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND FUNDING LEVEL

Two $1,425 scholarships will be awarded each year to the most qualified applicant (one each semester).

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:_____ _____
Last First Middle E-mail

Current/Local Address: _____
Street City State Zip Telephone #

Permanent Address: _____
Street City State Zip Telephone #

UNI ID:_____ SSN:_____ Gender: □Male □Female

Classification: □Freshman □Sophomore □Junior □Senior □Graduate □Non-degree/Transient

Major 1) _____ 2) _____ Minor_____ Certificate_____

Cumulative G.P.A.:_____ Anticipated Graduation (Mo/Yr) _____/_____

Country of Citizenship: □U.S. □Other (please specify) _____

Predominant Racial/Ethnic Group (Optional):
□Native American/Alaskan Native □Asian/Pacific Islander □Black/Non-Hispanic
□White/Non-Hispanic □Hispanic/Latino

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Name of Program Abroad: _____

City/Country: _____

Duration: □Semester □Year Beginning & Ending Dates: _____ - _____ Year_____

Sponsoring Institution: □UNI □Other Overseas Institution (if applicable):_____

REFERENCES
List two persons from whom you requested letters of recommendation to be sent directly to the Study Abroad Center.

Name_____ Title:_____Phone:_____

Name_____ Title:_____Phone:_____

The information above is correct and true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature_____ Date:_____

PLEASE REMEMBER: Your completed application packet should include the following:
Application Form, Essay, Resume, Program Information, Current and Anticipated Funding, and Most Recent Transcript.