

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships

Summer 2010 and Academic Year 2010-2011



The **Kansas African Studies Center** will award five academic year fellowships for 2010-11 and five summer 2010 fellowships; with funding from the U.S. Department of Education (Academic year scholarships will be contingent upon grant renewal). Any KU graduate students in any academic discipline who are interested in Africa are invited to apply. Academic-Year Fellows are required to enroll in an African language class (Arabic, KiSwahili, Wolof, Hausa or Amharic) *and* an African area studies class *in each semester* of the year.¹ Summer applicants must enroll in an intensive one-year equivalent African language course such as the courses offered at the Summer Cooperative African Language Institute. Academic-year applicants must:

- *have a bachelor's degree or its equivalent by the beginning of the 2009-10 academic year*
- *be U.S. citizens or permanent residents*
- *be admitted to or enrolled in a graduate program at KU*
- *be eligible to receive a tuition scholarship from KU*

Only the first two requirements apply for summer applicants..

The academic-year fellowship provides a *stipend of \$15,000*, and it also covers *tuition and fees up to \$12,000* per academic year. The summer fellowship offers a \$2500 stipend and up to \$4000 in tuition support, for a *total of \$6500*. Selection will be based on an evaluation of grade point average, career objectives, evidence of long-term commitment to African Studies, a writing sample, and letters of recommendation.

To apply, please send the following documents to the Kansas African Studies Center (KASC) by **February 1, 2010, 5:00 p.m.:**

1. Information Cover Sheet (attached to this announcement)
2. Letter of application describing planned course of study and relevance of African language study to career objectives
3. Three letters of recommendation (we recommend that these also address the importance of language training to an applicant's career objectives)
4. Copies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts (or ARTS form)
5. An academic writing sample

Applications are encouraged from students in the professional schools and the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences.

For more information contact: Dr. Glenn Adams, Interim Director, KASC, 10 Bailey Hall, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS 66045, tel. (785) 864-3858, and visit our website at <http://www.kasc.ku.edu/>

¹ Fellows cannot be native speakers of the language for which they apply. Other African languages may be available on a tutorial basis, but special permission must be requested, and the four core languages are given priority. Ph.D. candidates who have completed their coursework may substitute dissertation research conducted in the designated African language for actual language study under specific circumstances. Travel abroad is limited to Ph.D. candidates performing dissertation research with advanced-level language proficiency in the designated language, and special approval must be requested for fellows going abroad.

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Street Address

City State Zip Code

Email address Phone

Social Security # Student ID #

Degree Sought Language of Study

Level of Language to be studied: 1st year 2nd year 3rd year 4th year

Career goal: (e.g., K-12 education, higher education, government, non-profit, private industry)

Kansas Resident? Yes No

I am a U.S. Citizen U.S. National U.S. Permanent Resident Other (explain)

GPA:

Letters of recommendation from faculty (type name here):

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Number of credit hours expected to enroll in for... Fall 2009:
Spring 2010:

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