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I. Scholarships and Fellowships

Undergraduate: Hiram College Global Scholarship Program

Program Description

Because of our commitment to a diverse student body, Hiram College provides financial assistance to international first year and transfer students. This assistance consists of merit-based scholarship and on-campus employment. Students, who have completed applications turned into the Office of Admission by the annual application deadline, are automatically considered for scholarship after admission to the College. The average "package" of assistance equals more than half the annual cost of tuition, room, and board at Hiram. The College does not offer full scholarships, tuition waivers, or athletic scholarships.

Hiram College Global Scholarships

International applicants are eligible for merit-based global scholarships. These scholarships are competitive, range from \$3,000 to \$21,000 per year, and are renewable annually for up to four years of study. There is no need to apply for them as candidates are chosen during the decision process and the awards are given with the admission decision.

To be considered, a completed application for admission must be received by the application deadline (it was February 1 in 2008). There is no separate scholarship application. The application for admission serves for both. The admission and scholarship committees evaluate each student's file in its entirety. This review includes academic preparation and performance, standardized test scores, class rank, teacher recommendations, and personal essay, with the strongest emphasis placed on academic performance.

Eligibility Requirements

The admission and scholarship committees evaluate each student's file in its entirety in order to decide upon the scholarship. This review includes academic preparation and performance, standardized test scores, class rank, teacher recommendations, and personal essay, with the strongest emphasis placed on academic performance.

Academic documents

A first-year student and their secondary school guidance counselor, class advisor, head of form/year, or headmaster should complete the school report and international supplement to the secondary school report. A home schooled applicant and their supervisor must submit the **home school supplement to the secondary school report** available on the Common Application website. Transfer/two-year (associate degree) graduates and the appropriate school official should complete the college official's report.

Forms should be accompanied by official or attested academic records such as transcripts, mark sheets, examination results, certificates, and diplomas listing subjects studied, evaluations, grades, or marks achieved, and an explanation of the grading system. Photocopies without original signature and school seal are not accepted. Documents not in English must be accompanied by certified literal translations.

- prior to publication of actual/final results, ask that forecasted results be reported on the international supplement.

Testing

SAT: The SAT I Reasoning Test is required of first-year applicants *except* in the following cases:

- A student residing in a country where it is not administered
- Transfer who has completed one year or more of full-time post-secondary study
- Two-year (associate degree) college graduate
- ESL applicant with TOEFL score of less than 550

A score report should be sent directly to Hiram from the testing agency. ACT results may be submitted in place of the SAT I. SAT I: Hiram's CEEB Code 1297 ACT Assessment: Hiram's Code 3280

English proficiency: Students whose primary/first language is not English must submit results of the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language), IELTS (International English Language Testing System), or other recognized test of language proficiency. Following are some of the ways to document proficiency:

- TOEFL— Score: PBT: 550/CBT: 213/iBT: 80
- IELTS—Band score: 6.5
- SAT I—Critical Reading subscore: 500
- ACT—English subscore: 21
- A-Level English—Grade: B
- An ESL applicant must have a minimum TOEFL score of PBT-485/
- CBT-163/iBT-57 or IELTS band-5.5.
- Hiram's CEEB code is 1297.

Evaluations/recommendations

Two evaluations are required. Select faculty who have taught you in an academic subject during the final two years of your education. An evaluator should post it directly to the Office of Admission or give it to the applicant in an envelope with the writer's signature across the sealed flap.

Personal essay

The ability to express ideas in writing is critical to college success. Therefore, Hiram requires a personal essay. Essay topics are on the Common Application and the paper application.

Further Information

<http://www.hiram.edu/future/international/money/scholarships.html>

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Graduate: San Diego State University - International Masters Program with University of Malta

Program Description

This new collaborative graduate program between San Diego State University and the University of Malta offers students the chance to earn two degrees in Marketing and Integrated Marketing Communications (IMC): MSc Business Administration Marketing from San Diego State University and an MA in Integrated Marketing Communication from the University of Malta. The degrees are recognized both in the USA and in the European Union. It is a full time program lasting for three semesters (approximately 12 months) intended for students who have experience in or who wish to pursue careers in marketing or marketing communications.

The program is part of a new trend that has taken root among Business and Communications schools in the U.S. Offered at only a few select U.S. universities, these programs aim to prepare young professionals for today's rapidly changing communications and marketing environment. Participation in such an innovative program provides students with a competitive edge in an increasingly competitive job market.

Participants will study at University of Malta's historic campus in Valetta. They will have access to the resources of both San Diego State University and the University of Malta. Teaching faculty will include professors from both institutions. The program aims to provide students with a unique Mediterranean perspective and will introduce participants to leading personalities in the economy and politics of the Mediterranean Region.

Application Deadline: June 30, 2008

Eligibility Requirements

Admission requires an honors bachelor degree (or equivalent) from a recognized institution and two years of relevant professional work experience. As English is the language of instruction, applicants should possess a good command of written and spoken English. Non-native English speakers must prove proficiency through TOEFL (minimum score 550 or 213) or equivalent test, such as IELTS (minimum level 6.5).

Further Information

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Graduate: HHMI Research Training Fellowships for Medical, Dental and Veterinary Students
Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI)

Program Description

The goal of the HHMI Research Training Fellowships for Medical Students is to strengthen and expand the nation's pool of medically trained researchers. The fellowships provide funds to support fellows and meet their research- and education-related expenses. HHMI awards the fellowships through an annual competition.

The fellowship provides support for one year of full-time research training in fundamental biomedical research. It includes a stipend, a research allowance to meet a fellow's research related expenses, and a fellow's allowance to be used for health care and tuition and fees. Fellowship research must be conducted at an academic or nonprofit research institution in the United States, excluding the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, Maryland.

In 2008, HHMI plans to award up to 66 fellowships to medical, dental, and veterinary students who show the greatest promise for future achievement in biomedical research and who have demonstrated superior scholarship as undergraduates and during their initial medical, dental, or veterinary school training.

To ensure continued excellence and diversity among applicants and awardees, HHMI welcomes applications from all qualified students and specifically encourages applications from women and members of minority groups underrepresented in the sciences.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must be currently enrolled in a medical, dental, or veterinary school program in the United States. Students may apply during any year of their studies, but applicants in the last year of school must defer graduation until completion of the fellowship year. These fellowships are not available to students enrolled in a combined medical, dental, or veterinary/Ph.D. program (e.g., M.D./Ph.D.), a Ph.D. program, or an Sc.D. program or to those who have completed a Ph.D. or an Sc.D. in a laboratory-based science. The eligibility of applicants with a doctoral degree in a science that is not laboratory based will be determined by HHMI on a case-by-case basis.

Applicants may have research experience, but it is not required. Applicants with a year of full-time research experience must show how further full-time research experience at this time would strongly enhance their future research careers. There are no citizenship requirements for application, but those who are not U.S. citizens must have and maintain an appropriate visa. HHMI will not handle visa matters for applicants.

The application is submitted via HHMI's Web-based competition system at www.hhmi.org/competitions. Submission of all applicant, mentor, dean, and reference forms must be via the Web.

Further Information

http://www.hhmi.org/grants/pdf/comp_annnc/2008med_pa.pdf
http://www.hhmi.org/grants/pdf/comp_annnc/2008med_applic_requirements.pdf

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Graduate: Emory University Goizueta Business School Fellowships
Atlanta, Georgia

Program Description

The Goizueta Business School is one of the leading business schools in the US. The school provides three different fellowships/scholarships for students:

If accepted, the candidate will automatically be considered for a merit-based scholarship, awarded at the time of admission. You do not need to complete a separate application to be considered.

Robert W. Woodruff Fellowships

- Awarded to our highest caliber candidates
- University-wide scholarship program honoring the legacy of Robert W. Woodruff
- Provide full tuition plus \$3,000 stipend for each of the two years of study

Goizueta Fellowships

- Awarded to our highest caliber candidates
- Equal in prestige to the Woodruff Fellowship
- Provide full tuition plus \$3,000 stipend for each of the two years of study

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Dean's Scholarships

- Awarded to several outstanding MBA candidates
- Provide full tuition for each of the two years of study

Eligibility Requirements

For both Full-time MBA programs, we are looking for candidates:

- From all backgrounds and undergraduate disciplines to ensure a broad range of specializations and interests
- Who make a valuable contribution in the classroom, with demonstrated ability to excel, lead, learn and grow
- Who have a strong undergraduate academic record and post-undergraduate, full-time work experience at which they have demonstrated their leadership abilities
- With competitive scores on the GMAT and, for non-native English-speaking applicants, the TOEFL or IELTS
- With the ability to contribute in and out of the classroom

In addition, we look for One-Year candidates who also have:

- A degree in business or, depending on the university attended and coursework completed, economics. In addition, applicants with strong quantitative backgrounds (such as engineering and math majors) who possess solid business experience may also qualify for this program, as determined on a case-by-case basis. In some instances, additional business coursework may be necessary to be considered for the program.
- Focused work experience and clear direction about post-MBA goals.

Average Award Amount: Full tuition + \$3,000/year stipend (except for Dean's Scholarship - only tuition)

Further Information

http://www.goizueta.emory.edu/degree/fulltimemba/scholarships_and_financial_aid.html

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Post doctorate: Research Fellowships for Basic and Physician Scientists

Damon Runyon-Walter Winchell Cancer Research Fund

Program Description

The Foundation encourages all theoretical and experimental research relevant to the study of cancer and the search for cancer causes, mechanisms, therapies and prevention.

Candidates must apply for the fellowship under the guidance of a Sponsor — a scientist (tenured, tenure-track or equivalent position) capable of providing mentorship to the Fellow. In addition to aiding in the planning, execution and supervision of the proposed research, the Sponsor's role is to foster the development of the Fellow's overall knowledge, technical and analytical skills, and capacity for scientific inquiry. The Sponsor is also expected to assist the Fellow in attaining his/her career goals.

Awards are made to institutions for the support of the Fellow under direct supervision of the Sponsor.

Damon Runyon Postdoctoral Research Fellowships are granted for a three-year term with second- and third-year funding contingent upon satisfactory progress reports. Fellows in their *first* and *third* years of funding will attend Damon Runyon Scientific Retreats designed to foster collaboration and interaction between scientists working in different fields relevant to cancer.

All fellowship awards are approved by the Board of Directors of the Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation acting upon the recommendation of the Fellowship Award Committee (<http://www.drcrf.org/NETCOMMUNITY/Page.aspx?pid=286&srcid=258>).

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants **must have completed** one or more of the following degrees or its equivalent: MD, PhD, MD/PhD, DDS, DVM.

Applicants must include a copy of their diploma to confirm date of conferral.

(If an applicant has not yet received his/her PhD diploma but has successfully completed all PhD requirements including PhD defense, they may submit a letter from their graduate school explicitly stating such, with the date of the PhD defense and date of degree conferral.)

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Level 1 Funding: Basic and physician-scientists must have received their degrees no more than one year prior to the FAC meeting at which their applications are to be considered.* Applicants must not have been in their Sponsor's lab for more than one year prior to the date of the FAC meeting at which their applications are to be considered* and are expected to devote 100% of their time and effort to Damon Runyon-supported research activities.

Level 2 Funding: Physician-scientists (MD, MD/PhD, DDS, DVM or the equivalent) must have completed their residencies and clinical training no more than three years prior to the FAC meeting at which their applications are to be considered. They also must be board eligible** at the start date of the Damon Runyon Fellowship and be able to devote at least 80% of their time and effort to Damon Runyon-supported research activities.

* *The cut-off date is day 15 of the month immediately preceding the month FAC meets. Applicants must include a copy of their diploma to confirm date of conferral. (See chart in [Deadlines](#) section.)*

** *For foreign-trained physicians, equivalency will be determined on a case by case basis.*

The proposed investigation must be conducted at a university, hospital or research institution. No more than two Damon Runyon Fellows will be funded to work with the same Sponsor at any given time.

Only one fellowship application will be accepted from a Sponsor or Fellow per review session; there is no limit, however, to the number of applications from an institution.

Postdoctoral training in the same institution in which the applicant received his or her degree is discouraged, particularly if it is in the same department. (If such is the case, applicants must address the reason(s) in their application.) Proposals to continue training in the laboratory where the applicant received his/her PhD will not be considered. Proposals that are direct extensions of graduate work will not be funded.

Candidates who have already accepted a postdoctoral research fellowship award are not eligible.
Candidates who are pursuing a degree are not eligible.

Candidates applying to work in foreign-based or United States government laboratories may be awarded a fellowship if they are considered to be especially meritorious or if the program represents an unusual opportunity for postdoctoral training. Foreign candidates may apply to do their research only in the United States.

To prevent any adverse consequences to their intellectual and professional development, Fellows performing research in laboratories funded in whole or in part by commercial entities are prohibited from entering into confidentiality agreements with such for-profit sponsors.

Scientific: Second- and third-year funding of awards is contingent upon satisfactory review of the annual progress reports. All reports are kept strictly confidential. The goal of the reports is two-fold. First, the reports serve as an auditing tool to monitor research progress and assure that the Fellow's research is on target with the funded project. Second, the reports allow the Foundation to identify common topics of interest among the Fellows as well as keep track of who is attending what conferences so that networking opportunities may be arranged to foster social interactions.

Average Award Amount: \$94,000-\$145,000

Number of Awards: 45

Award Duration: 3 years

Award Deadline: August 15, 2008

Further Information

<http://www.drcrf.org/NETCOMMUNITY/Page.aspx?pid=258&srcid=230>

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II. News you can use

Spring 2008 *IENetworker*: International Student Recruitment

The Spring 2008 issue of *IENetworker* Magazine has just been published and highlights strategic issues in "International Student Recruitment and Marketing."

Featured articles include:

Measuring Return on Investment in International Student Recruitment

By Cheryl Darrup-Boychuck, USJournal.com

Initiating an International Recruitment Program at a Large Research University
By C. Eugene Allen, University of Minnesota

"Agent" -- A Dirty Word?
By Marisa De Luca, ICEF

Translating Your Message to Students
By Peggy Printz, StudyUSA.com

Succeeding as an International Student: A New Book by Charles Lipson
By Sharon Witherell, IIE

Best Practices in International Education: 2008 Andrew Heiskell Awards
By Shannon Bishop, IIE

IIE Networker University Presidents Interview Series: M. W. Scoggins, Colorado School of Mines

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Article: Documenting China's Higher Ed Explosion

A new article in *Inside Higher Ed* discusses an interesting study that has just been released by the National Bureau of Economic Research.

From the article:

"In many discussions about the international standing of American higher education, China is the 800-pound gorilla – the emerging scientific and technological superpower whose newfound focus on building a first-class postsecondary system poses a major threat to the national economic competitiveness and individual well being in the United States. The study by economists at universities in Canada, New Zealand and China aims to document what its title calls 'the higher educational transformation of China and its global implications,' collecting in one place statistics and other information about enrollments, demographic changes, numbers of colleges and faculty publishing, among other categories."

Read the full article at: www.insidehighered.com/news/2008/04/01/china
