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## Illinois FLAS Fellowships—Graduate and Undergraduate

Promoting Foreign Language Competence and International and World Area Knowledge

FLAS Fellowships support graduate and undergraduate study in modern foreign languages in combination with area studies, international studies, or international or area aspects of professional studies. The following languages, classified by Center, are approved by the U.S. Department of Education for FLAS fellowships at Illinois. For complete details visit: www.flas.illinois.edu.

- Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies: Advanced\* Chinese, Japanese, Korean.
- Center for Global Studies: Arabic, Bamana, Bulgarian, Czech, Hebrew, Hindi, Italian, Korean, Lingala, Persian, Polish, Portuguese, Serbian-Bosnian-Croation, Swahili, Turkish, Ukrainian; Wolof; or at the advanced level\* (third-year or above) Chinese, Japanese, and Russian.
- Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies: Quechua, or any other Amerindian language, Brazilian Portuguese, plus Spanish (third-year or above)
- European Union Center: Arabic, Bosnian-Serbian-Croatian, Bulgarian, Catalan, Czech, French,
  German, Greek (modern), Italian, Polish, Portuguese, Spanish, Swedish, or Turkish
  Priority will be given to less-commonly-taught languages (LCTLs)\* and higher-level language study. Please note:
  EUC FLAS undergraduate fellowships are not available for Spanish, French, or German. Undergraduate fellowships are only available for intermediate to advanced study of LCTLs.\*
- Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center: Bulgarian, Czech, Polish, Russian, Serbian–Bosnian–Croatian, Turkish, or Ukrainian.

FLAS Fellowships are administered by the University of Illinois Area Studies Centers and are awarded through an annual competition. Students from all departments and professional schools are encouraged to apply. Students may apply to more than one Center. Priority is given to the study of less commonly taught languages and each Center has specific priorities. FLAS application materials are available online at <a href="http://www.flas.illinois.edu">http://www.flas.illinois.edu</a>. Graduate student applications are submitted by department, applicants should be sure to check with their department to confirm internal deadlines.

Graduate students receive full tuition, non-refundable fees, and a stipend (\$15,000) during the academic year; undergraduate students receive \$10,000 towards tuition and fees and a \$5,000 stipend. Summer awards cover full tuition for a summer language program as well as required Illinois fees and a \$2,500 stipend. Combined tuition and Illinois fees for summer cannot exceed \$5,000. In some cases, a travel awards may be available.

### **Eligibility:**

- US citizenship or Permanent Residency
- Currently enrolled as a student OR applying for graduate admission at Illinois
- Undergraduates must have a 3.0 GPA and enrolled in at least the second year of language study.

#### **Application Requirements:**

- The FLAS application cover sheet form.
- On-line application form.
- Statement of purpose (include a description of prior language training).
- Two letters of recommendation from faculty members.
- Language evaluation/recommendation from a language instructor.
- Transcript including most recent semester's coursework.

#### **Selection Criteria:**

- Applicants are judged on their record of academic achievement
- Demonstrated and proposed commitment to the language and area studies for which the student is applying.

Application Deadline: 5:00 PM Friday, 10 February 2012

More Information: HTTP://WWW.FLAS.ILLINOIS.EDU or email FLAS-FELLOWSHIPS@ILLINOIS.EDU

## FLAS Info sessions will be held on:

Monday October 31, 2011 and Tuesday November 1, 2011 at 4:00pm in 101 ISB

<sup>\*</sup>LCTLs are defined as any modern foreign language other than Spanish, German, or French.