

Interdepartmental Memo

To: Graduate Advisors
From: Patrick O'Meara, Vice President
Date: December 17, 2008
Re: Latin American Fellowship

Application Deadline: March 6, 2009

The Latin American Fellowship Competition is a program sponsored jointly by the GFWC Indiana Federation of Clubs and the Indiana University Office of the Vice President for International Affairs. One fellowship of \$1,500 will be awarded for research or study in a Latin American country during the summer 2009 or 2009-2010 academic year.

Evaluators will consider scholastic achievement; validity and feasibility of the applicant's proposal; requisite language facility; and faculty support as indicated by letters of reference. All applications will be screened by a selection committee comprised of IU faculty members and board members from the GFWC Indiana Federation of Clubs.

Applicants may be students from any discipline, department, or campus; must be enrolled in a graduate degree program at Indiana University; and must be U.S. citizens. Applicants who applied previously and were unsuccessful are eligible to reapply with an updated application.

Additional information and application materials are available online at www.indiana.edu/~ovpia under the "OVPIA Grants" link.

Application Deadline:
Completed applications and supporting materials must be received by 5pm, Friday March 6, 2009.
Submit applications to:
Paul Fogleman, OVPIA
201 N. Indiana Ave., Bloomington, IN 47408
Tel: (812) 855-3948; Fax: (812) 855-6271
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**LATIN AMERICAN FELLOWSHIP
APPLICATION for the 2009-2010 ACADEMIC YEAR**

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Full Name _____ Country of Citizenship _____

Present Address _____
Street, City, State, Zip

Telephone _____ E-mail Address _____

EDUCATION

IU Degree You Are Currently Working Toward _____

Department _____ Campus _____

Date You Expect To Complete Degree (Month/Year) _____

List all colleges and universities attended, highest degree(s) earned and date(s) awarded.

Institution	Degree Earned	Date Awarded (Mo/Year)
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Attach a statement of a **MAXIMUM** of two pages single-spaced describing your objectives for study and/or research in Latin America. Please be specific about the details and goals of your proposed project (including affiliations in your target country) and how it relates to your IU degree program.

PROPOSED ITINERARY

Where will the primary activity take place? (City/Country) _____

List all points of travel related to your proposal and approximate arrival/departure dates.

PAST TRAVEL EXPERIENCE Please provide details (approximate dates, length of visit, purpose of visit, source of funding to enable trip, etc.) of all international trips.

LANGUAGE COMPETENCE Language of Host Country: _____

Number of years of formal language study of this language you have completed: _____ Years

Please indicate your proficiency in speaking, listening comprehension, reading and writing.

Scale: 0 (None) 1 (Poor) 2 (Fair) 3 (Adequate) 4 (Good) 5 (Excellent) N(Native)

Speaking	0	1	2	3	4	5	N
Listening Comprehension	0	1	2	3	4	5	N
Reading	0	1	2	3	4	5	N
Writing	0	1	2	3	4	5	N

LANGUAGE EVALUATION

Please ask a faculty member, preferably from Indiana University, familiar with your language proficiency to complete the enclosed Foreign Language Report. List below the name, address, phone number, and e-mail of the person whom you have asked to provide this evaluation.

Name	Address	Phone	E-mail
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TRANSCRIPTS

Please submit with this application an unofficial copy of your Indiana University transcript available from OneStart at <https://onestart.iu.edu/>. REMEMBER TO WRITE YOUR NAME ON THE TRANSCRIPT IF IT DOES NOT APPEAR ON THE PRINTOUT. Also, attach photocopies of transcripts for all other university-level work (undergraduate and graduate) you have completed. In most cases these can be acquired from your graduate secretary.

REFERENCES

Please ask at least two faculty members, preferably from Indiana University, to complete the attached Reference forms. List below the name, address, phone number, and email address of each person whom you have asked to provide these references.

Name	Address	Phone	E-mail
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1. _____

2. _____

Please list all other grants/awards for which you are applying to support your proposed activity:

A complete application will include the following:

- a) completed application form;
- b) personal statement;
- c) transcripts from all university-level academic work;
- d) Foreign Language Report form;
- e) Two Faculty Reference forms

**Please DO NOT staple ANY of your application components.
We prefer paperclips because the applications will be fed through a
photocopier. Thank you!**

I hereby certify that all information which I have given above and have provided for this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date

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2009 Latin American Fellowship Foreign Language Report

Applicant Name _____ Department _____

Language Being Evaluated _____

(Remainder of form to be completed by referee)

1. Comment on applicant's present language ability in relation to the project in each of these categories:

AURAL COMPREHENSION:

- _____ None
- _____ Limited to slow, uncomplicated sentences
- _____ Understands simple conversation
- _____ Understands conversation on simple academic topics
- _____ Understands sophisticated discussion of academic topics

SPEAKING ABILITY:

- _____ None
- _____ Can only frame structurally simple, short utterances
- _____ Uses basic grammatical structure, speaking with limited vocabulary
- _____ Uses structural patterns, but not with consistent accuracy. Adequate to handle conversational subjects
- _____ Has control over structural patterns; can handle a wide range of conversational situations

READING ABILITY:

- _____ None
- _____ Limited to simple vocabulary and sentence structure
- _____ Understands conventional topics and non-technical subjects
- _____ Understands materials whose content contains idioms and specialized terminology
- _____ Understands sophisticated materials including field of proposed study literature

WRITING ABILITY:

- _____ None
- _____ Writes simple sentences on conventional topics, with some errors in spelling and structure
- _____ Writes on academic topics with few errors in structure and spelling
- _____ Writes with idiomatic ease of expression and feeling for the style of the language

2. Mark (X) appropriate box to indicate your general opinion of this applicant's foreign language ability.

- _____ Should have no difficulty
- _____ Should be able to manage adequately after a short period of adjustment abroad
- _____ Should be able to manage adequately after some additional formal language training
- _____ Will require considerable training before necessary competence can be attained

3. Is the applicant's present language competence adequate to carry out the proposed study? _____ Yes _____ No

METHOD: Indicate briefly how the evaluation was determined.

Referee Signature _____ Date _____

Name and Title _____

Institution _____

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Applicant's Name and Department: _____

Referee's Name: _____

The Family and Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 opens many student records for the student's inspection. The law permits you to sign a waiver relinquishing your right to inspect recommendation letters.

- **Sign below if you give up the right to read this recommendation.**
This means that the recommender's statement will remain confidential.
- Do not sign below if you wish to read the recommendation.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

REMAINDER OF FORM TO BE COMPLETED BY REFEREE

This program provides fellowship support to study or conduct research in Latin America during the 2008-2009 academic year. Please respond to the following questions, either on this page or on a separate sheet. Please sign below and initial any attached sheets.

1. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?
2. What is your opinion of the merit and importance of the student's proposal?
3. Specifically, how do the goals of this proposal contribute to the applicant's degree objective?

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