Africana Studies Travel Grants

NEW Application Deadline: February 28, 2017

Apply online at

https://aas.cas2.lehigh.edu/opportunities-students

Lehigh has funding available for College of Arts and Sciences students who are interested in traveling abroad. One of the objectives in providing these grants is to enhance the diversity of the pool of University students who are given the opportunity to engage in these experiences. Preference will be given to students with financial need. Financial need is determined by the Office of Financial Aid in the categories of low, medium and high need. In most cases, preference will be given to Africana Studies majors and minors who are going on credit bearing, Lehigh faculty-led programs or individual research (non-credit bearing) supervised by Africana Studies faculty.

The deadline for the application is February 28. This application covers the following grants:

The **AAS program travel grant** offers $500 for AAS majors and $250 for AAS minors for travel to Africa broadly defined. Available for credit and non-credit bearing programs. Travel does not need to be affiliated with Lehigh University.

The **Trevor Bond travel grant** offers one student majoring or minoring in Africana Studies up to $5,000 to participate in a Lehigh faculty-led, credit-bearing study abroad program or individual research (non-credit bearing) supervised by Africana Studies faculty during the summer or winter session. Applicants must have completed a minimum of 24 credit hours of coursework at Lehigh and have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25. Applicants must also have completed at least three AAS courses with a minimum GPA of 3.5 in those courses. Applicants will need a letter of support from a Lehigh faculty member.

The **John Franchini grant** offers up to $5,000 to a student enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences for credit-bearing travel to Africa. Preference will be given to applications for Lehigh faculty-led, credit-bearing study abroad programs during the summer or winter session.

The **Ron Ulrich grant** offers between $3,000 and $4,000 per student majoring or minoring in Africana Studies for travel to Ghana on credit bearing, Lehigh faculty-led programs or individual research (non-credit bearing) supervised by Africana Studies faculty. A total of four awards may be given in any academic year. Travel must be during the summer or winter session. Upon completion of travel students will be required to give a short presentation to the Bethlehem community as part of the AAS Public Humanities Initiative. The students' time in Africa must also include exposure to the business community so they can better understand the marketplace and wealth creation.

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