# DEADLINE: 4:30pm, Friday, February 15, 2019

The Center for International Education invites eligible undergraduates to apply for fellowships for the intermediate or advanced level study of:

**Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Polish, Portuguese\* or Russian**

in combination with international or area studies courses. Students must be enrolled in 12 or more credits of coursework including at least one language course at the 200-level or above and at least one internationally-focused course during both Fall 2019 and Spring 2020 semesters. Courses may be taken at UWM or through an approved study abroad program.

**FUNDING:** Each Undergraduate FLAS Fellow will receive up to **$10,000 for tuition and required fees** (up to $5000 each semester, not to exceed the actual cost of tuition and fees); and a **$5,000 subsistence allowance** ($2500 each semester) for living expenses.

**Application Instructions:** Complete applications must include:

1. ***Application Form and Personal Statement***: Please download this form at <https://uwm.edu/cie/scholarships/> and complete on a computer.
2. ***Unofficial Undergraduate Transcript*** (print from PAWS).
3. ***Two (2) FLAS Recommendation Forms*** from faculty with whom you have recently completed classes. Please ask your recommenders to complete the referee’s portion of the recommendation form provided at <https://uwm.edu/cie/scholarships/>. The completed form must be submitted in hard copy in a sealed/signed envelope OR emailed directly by the faculty recommender to [jabooth@uwm.edu](file:///\\uFiles.ad.uwm.edu\UWM\LS\CIE\Shared\CIE\NRC%20GRANT%20ADMINISTRATION%20and%20BA_MA%20PROGRAMS\NRC%20GRANT%20ADMINISTRATION%202014-2017\FLAS\jabooth@uwm.edu), (Garland Hall rm. 138), referencing the applicant’s name and “FLAS” in the subject line. **One of the letters must be from a UWM language instructor with whom you’ve completed a class in the language for which you are applying**.
4. ***Study Abroad Program Brochure or information downloaded from the program website*** if planning to study abroad during the Fellowship award period.

Please deliver or email your application to the Center for International Education (Garland Hall rm. 138, [jabooth@uwm.edu](file:///\\uFiles.ad.uwm.edu\UWM\LS\CIE\Shared\CIE\NRC%20GRANT%20ADMINISTRATION%20and%20BA_MA%20PROGRAMS\NRC%20Grant%202018-2021\FLAS\Applications,%20Award%20letters%20and%20Other%20Templates\jabooth@uwm.edu) no later than 4:30pm on Tuesday, February 19, 2018. *Late and incomplete applications may not be considered. It is your responsibility to confirm with your recommenders whether the FLAS Recommendation Forms have been submitted.*

**Eligibility Requirements:** Applicants must meet all eligibility requirements. The Applicant must:

1. Be a US citizen or permanent resident;
2. Be enrolled in a UWM Bachelor’s degree program with preference given to applicants who demonstrate an academic interest in international studies through current and prior course work. Students graduating **before May 2020 are not eligible** for this Fellowship;
3. Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form with the UWM Financial Aid office (Mellencamp 162). For instructions, see: <https://uwm.edu/onestop/finances/>
4. Submit the application in accordance with the application deadline and instructions (**no later than 4:30pm on 4:30pm Friday, February 15, 2019**).

**Conditions of the Award:** The following terms and conditions are required of all FLAS Fellows:

1. Each semester, FLAS Fellows must enroll in at least 12 credits of coursework that includes:
   1. One or more courses at the Third Semester/intermediate level or higher in an eligible language; and
   2. One or more courses that incorporate substantial learning about aspects of the world beyond the United States.
2. Fellows’ studies must take place at UWM and/or on a US Department of Education-approved study abroad program. Approval will be sought by the CIE FLAS Coordinator following selection of the FLAS Fellows.
3. All coursework must be taken for graded credit and passed successfully. Note: Failure to maintain good academic standing and satisfactory progress results in dismissal from the fellowship and repayment of fellowship monies already awarded.
4. Fellows planning to study abroad are required to apply for their study abroad programs through the CIE Study Abroad Office (Garland Hall Rm. 138) and are subject to the policies governing UWM study abroad programs.
5. Fellows must complete instructor-administered FLAS language assessments at the beginning and end of the award period. This information will be entered into the International Resource Information System (IRIS), a database used by the US Department of Education to track the FLAS Fellowship program’s contributions to national language proficiency attainment.
6. At the end of the award period, Fellows will complete a reflection paper assessing their attainment of their learning goals.
7. Fellows are required to stay in regular contact with their FLAS coordinator and to respond to a survey regarding their use of their language and international studies in employment, education or training every two years for eight years following graduation.

**Selection Process:** Applications will be reviewed by a committee composed of UWM faculty from a variety of departments, schools and colleges, including the languages, in accordance with the following criteria:

1. Strength of student’s academic record;
2. Relationship of student’s study plans to academic and career goals;
3. Strength of recommendation letters.

Preference will be given to students who demonstrate financial need consistent with the US Department of Education’s priority for the FLAS Fellowship program.

***\*Please note:******Undergraduates proposing to study Portuguese*** *in conjunction with Latin American Studies may apply for FLAS Fellowships through both CIE and the Center for Latin American & Caribbean Studies but will be awarded only one Fellowship per award period.*

**Important Note: FLAS Fellowships for UWM undergraduates are made possible by a US Department of Education Foreign Language & Area Studies Fellowships program grant (CFDA 84.015B; Title VI, Higher Education Act). Fellowships are awarded pending the receipt of continuation grant funding from the US Department of Higher Education.**

**Recipients will be notified of their awards if UWM receives notification of continued support for the FLAS program. UWM is typically notified of continuation funding during the summer prior to the start of the next Academic Year.**

**Application Form**

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| **Name:**     **GPA:** | |
| **Student ID #** *(available in PAWS):***:** |  |
| **Permanent Address**: | |
| **Email:** | **Telephone:** |
| **Major(s):** | |
| **Intended Career Field:** | |
| **Proposed Language:**  *(Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Polish, Portuguese, Russian)* | **Language Level to be studied:**  *(Course # or Semester; must be 3rd Semester or above)* |
| **Language Recommendation To Be Provided By:** | |
| **Email:** | **Telephone:** |
| **Other Faculty Recommendation To Be Provided By:** | |
| **Email:** | **Telephone:** |
| Under the Family Educational Rights of Privacy Act of 1974 (Buckley Amendment), you have the right to either review your recommendation or to waive your right to see it. **Please check one**:  I do waive my right of access to this recommendation.  I do **not** waive my right of access to this recommendation. | |

**Please read and check (X) each box:**

I am a US citizen or permanent resident.

I have filed a completed FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form with the UWM Financial Aid office (see: <https://uwm.edu/onestop/finances/>) (Mellencamp Hall Rm. 162).

I agree to complete a pre- and post-award FLAS language assessment for the US Department of Education (as instructed by the CIE FLAS Coordinator).

I agree to enroll in one eligible language class and one or more eligible internationally-focused classes and to inform my FLAS coordinator of my schedule before Spring semester begins.

I understand that unsatisfactory progress in any of my classes may result in my FLAS award being rescinded and that I will need to repay monies already paid to me.

I understand that FLAS Fellows are obligated to complete a survey from the US Department of Education every two years for eight (8) years after the award ends, and I agree to stay in contact with my FLAS coordinator with updated contact information after I graduate.

I understand that the FLAS Fellowship award takes into account my student aid and that FLAS funding for tuition cannot exceed the total amount of tuition after considering all other need-based aid I will receive. By submitting this application, I authorize UWM Financial Aid to disclose my financial aid information to the UWM Center for International Education.

Applicant signature: Date:

Please complete and submit this application, **including: two FLAS Recommendation Forms from UWM faculty**, at least one of whom must be a language faculty member or instructor, **and an Unofficial Undergraduate Transcript (available in PAWS)** to the CIE in Garland 138; [jabooth@uwm.edu](mailto:jabooth@uwm.edu) **by 4:30pm Friday, February 15, 2019**.

**Personal Statement**

**Name**:

Your personal statement should be 2-3 pages long and should:

Identify the courses you plan to take during Fall 2019 and Spring 2020, including whether the courses will be taken at UWM or while studying abroad. *(your best guess, if course availability is currently unknown)*

Discuss the learning goals you expect to achieve as a result of the studies conducted as a FLAS Fellow.

Explain how the courses (including language studies) and anticipated learning goals relate to your academic and career goals.

Address how the FLAS Fellowship will enable you to realize your academic and career goals.

If studying abroad, also:

Identify the program you plan to attend, program sponsor, dates, the courses you will take, and language(s) in which the courses are taught.

Attach a program brochure or downloaded web description and identify the program website.

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*Begin your statement below. You may copy your statement from a separate Word document and paste it here. (If submitting in hard copy, please add your name to the top of each new page.)*