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I. Scholarships and Fellowships

UMKC Offers Scholarships to International Students

The University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) awards over \$2 million to international students each year. Scholarships are available at all levels of study, including English as a Second Language, Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctoral programs. The following scholarships are available.

Intensive English Scholarship

All non-government sponsored students studying in the English as a Second Language program at UMKC's Applied Language Institute receive an automatic scholarship that waives a portion of the non-resident fees.

Chancellor's Non-Resident Award

The Chancellor's Non-Resident (CNR) Award is a renewable scholarship for new international students that waives non-resident fees (approximately \$7,000 - \$9,000* yearly).

Eligibility criteria include:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Minimum TOEFL score of 550 paper-based, 213 computer-based, or 79 internet-based
- Or minimum IELTS score of 6.0
- F-1 or J-1 visa holder
- Must be nominated by the UMKC academic unit

New applicants meeting the criteria are automatically recommended to the academic unit for consideration.

Dean's International Computing and Engineering Award

The Dean's International Computing and Engineering (DICE) Award is a renewable scholarship for new international students studying in the School of Computing and Engineering. The DICE Award waives a portion of non-resident fees (approximately \$7,000 - \$9,000* yearly).

Eligibility criteria include:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Minimum TOEFL score of 550 paper-based, 213 computer-based, or 79 internet-based
- Or minimum IELTS score of 6.0
- F-1 or J-1 visa holder
- Must be nominated by the School of Computing and Engineering

New applicants meeting the criteria are automatically recommended to the academic unit for consideration.

Doctoral Fee Waiver

All doctoral students are automatically awarded a non-resident fee waiver, for a total savings of approximately \$8,000 - \$9,000* per year.

Community College Leadership Award (CCLA)

Students who have a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale and who have demonstrated leadership roles at a community college may be eligible for the Community College Leadership Award (CCLA). Awardees receive a non-resident fee waiver and an additional \$1,500, for a total value of approximately \$10,000* per year.

Assistantships

Assistantships are available for many graduate programs. Please contact the academic unit for assistantship information regarding specific programs.

Athletic Scholarships

UMKC offers NCAA Division I athletic programs with scholarships available. Information regarding the athletics programs can be found by visiting <http://www.umkckangaroos.com/>.

Other Scholarships

In addition to the financial assistance opportunities listed above, UMKC offers some departmental scholarships for specific programs.

For more information regarding these scholarship opportunities and all the opportunities available at UMKC, please visit <http://www.umkc.edu/isao>.

**All amounts are estimated based on most recent tuition rates. Tuition and fees are subject to change.*

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Yale University Seeks Middle East-North Africa Candidates for Leadership Training Program

Creating a global network of emerging leaders and to broaden international understanding at Yale, the Yale World Fellows Program each year brings to Yale 18 highly accomplished men and women from a diverse set of countries around the world. The Fellows spend an intensive semester exploring critical issues and undergoing leadership training, with the full resources of Yale University at their disposal. Selected from outside the United States at an early mid-career point (generally five to fifteen years into their professional development), the World Fellows come from a range of fields and disciplines including government, business, nongovernmental organizations, religion, the military, media, and the arts. Guided by faculty advisors, the Fellows deepen their resource bases, advance their breadth of understanding, and augment their skills. Building on access to the students, faculty, alumni, and Yale visitors, the Fellows prepare for greater roles of leadership, expand their professional and personal horizons, and contribute to a deepening of international awareness and dialogue within the Yale community.

Nominations to the 2009 Yale World Fellows Program are now being accepted. Please visit www.yale.edu/worldfellows for more information.

Postdoctoral Research Fellow- Yale School of Medicine

Seeking research postdoctoral fellow to train for 2 or more years. Should have experience in basic biochemical and molecular biology techniques. Experience using small animal transgenic models or willingness to learn. Experience or education in cardiovascular biology and physiology.

My lab is small, so you will get hands-on education as well as larger group teaching in format of research-in-progress and journal clubs in our cardiovascular biology group (weekly basis). You will learn novel cardiovascular techniques including physiology (invasive and non-invasive) for use in transgenic models. It is an exciting time to have such skills and these will put you in an excellent position for your transition to independence or industry!

For further information and to apply, send your cover letter, CV, and references to kerry.russell@yale.edu

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Application Deadline 01-Aug-08

Rafael Viñoly Architects Offers Research Grants for Studies of Built Environment

Deadline: August 1, 2008

This year, to mark the 25th anniversary of the firm, Rafael Viñoly Architects Training and Research Programs (<http://www.rvatr.com/>) will offer up to five research grants to individuals for original research on transformations in the built environment within dynamically changing societies.

Research topics should be tightly focused, emphasizing original research. Projects may focus on architecture or any aspect of

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the built or designed environment.

Awards are made to individuals or teams of individuals and not to institutions. Although the firm has a particular interest in studies addressing China, the Middle East, Russia, and South America, citizens of all countries are eligible to apply, and all regions of the world are eligible as subjects of research.

Selected recipients will be provided with financial support of up to \$60,000 per project, including stipends and research expenses.

Visit the Rafael Viñoly Architects Training and Research Programs Web site for the complete Call for Proposals.

RFP Link:

<http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/15012905/rvatr>

II. News you can use

Top Colleges Dig Deeper in Wait Lists for Students

By TAMAR LEWIN

In what may be a happy surprise for thousands of high school seniors, Harvard plans to offer admission to 150 to 175 students on its waiting list, and Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania each expect to take 90, creating ripples that will send other highly selective colleges deeper into their waiting lists as well.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2008/05/09/education/09admissions.html>

EducationUSA Connections Journal: Liberal Arts Colleges

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The EducationUSA Connections journal is a quarterly, online publication produced by IIE and sponsored by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Connections is produced for the EducationUSA overseas advisers and includes information about higher education in the United States, scholarship opportunities, specific fields of study, best practices in advising, and other topics.

Articles in the April 2008 issue include:

The Residential Liberal Arts College

Describes the foundations, missions and methodologies of an undergraduate liberal arts education.

By William G. Durden and Ann M. Dykstra, Dickinson College

Ten Tips for Advising Students on Liberal Arts Colleges How to advise students on the liberal arts higher education tradition in the U.S.

By Kathleen Kisling Alam, Regional Educational Academic Coordinator (REAC) for South Asia

The Value of a Liberal Arts Education in the Job Market and Beyond How the career services office at Middlebury College advises international students.

By Tracy Himmel Isham, Middlebury College

International Students at Baccalaureate-Liberal Arts Institutions Overview and trends of international student enrollment.

By Rachel Marcus, IIE

Access this issue at: <http://educationusaconnections.iienetwork.org>

Resources from Steve Perry, IRO based in Cairo

Information Resources Center, (IRC) LIBRARY OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Public Affairs Section, U.S. Embassy in Cairo

5, TAWFIK DIAB STREET, Garden City Cairo (CLOSE TO MIDAN TAHRIR, METRO STOP: SADAT STATION)

IRC Website: <http://egypt.usembassy.gov/irc/index.htm>

TEL: 2797-3124 - FAX: 2797-3400

E-mail: cairoirc@state.gov

CAIRO IRC WIKI WITH OTHER RESOURCES:

<http://irosteveperry.pbwiki.com/irosteveperry>

FREE LESSON PLANS AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES FOR EDUCATORS AND STUDENTS:

RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS (from U.S. CONSULATE, KRAKOW): <http://krakow.usconsulate.gov/studyus/resources-for-teachers.html>

FEDERAL RESOURCES IN EDUCATION: LESSON PLANS IN ALL SUBJECT AREAS: <http://www.free.ed.gov/>

Contact an EducationUSA adviser near you for guidance on finding and applying to an accredited U.S. college or university <http://www.educationusa.state.gov/> 3

TOP 20 EDUCATION WEB SITES: <http://www.top20education.com/>

CURRIKI: GLOBAL EDUCATION AND LEARNING COMMUNITY

OFFERS CURRICULUM GUIDES AND LESSON PLANS FOR HUNDREDS OF DIFFERENT TOPICS: A GREAT RESOURCE FOR EDUCATORS AND STUDENTS AND TEACHERS! FUNDED IN PART BY THE US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:
<http://www.curriki.org/xwiki/bin/view/Main/WebHome>

CLICK ON FEATURED RESOURCES

OR, BROWSE BY SUBJECT

EXAMPLE OF A LESSON PLAN ON ADAM BEDE:

CLICK ON LANGUAGE ARTS, THEN, CLICK ON ADAM BEDE

EDSITEMENT: Best of the Humanities on the Web
<http://edsitement.neh.gov>

EDSITEMENT: CLICK ON THE CURRENT CALENDAR FOR CURRENT LESSON PLANS: <http://edsitement.neh.gov/calendar.asp>

Go to SUBJECTS

Then POETRY LESSON PLANS

http://edsitement.neh.gov/tab_lesson.asp?subjectArea=4&subcategory=45

OR, POETRY OF LANGSTON HUGHES AT:

http://edsitement.neh.gov/view_lesson_plan.asp?id=405

FOR TEACHERS: BROWSEABLE LESSON PLANS INDEX

http://www.marcopolo-education.org/teacher/shell.aspx?filename=/teacher/lesson_plan_content_index.aspx&site_area=teacher

MERLOT: <http://www.merlot.org/merlot/index.htm>

(MERLOT stands for Multi Media Educational Resources for Learning and Online Teaching.) Resources submitted by professional educators from a variety of institutions. See especially the what's new section for the latest educational resources:

EXAMPLE USING MERLOT: Go to HUMANITIES ON THE LEFT and then VALLEY OF THE SHADOW

What's New In Merlot: <http://www.merlot.org/merlot/whatsNew.htm>

FREE EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS and a few free textbooks as well: <http://www.cnx.org>:

CNX: Connexions is: a place to view and share educational material made of small knowledge chunks called modules that can be organized as courses, books, reports, etc. Anyone may view or contribute: authors create and collaborate instructors rapidly build and share custom collections learners find and explore content
<http://www.cnx.org>:

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- authors create and collaborate
- instructors rapidly build and share custom collections
- learners find and explore content

Example: Introduction to researching Oriental Cairo: <http://cnx.org/content/m12590/latest/>

TOP 100 Materials for EDUCATORS: has lots of highly useful material for American Literature:
<http://www.assortedstuff.com/top101/>

IDEAS: UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN EXTENSION SERVICE:

<http://www.ideas.wisconsin.edu/#> LESSON PLANS IN ALL AREAS

OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES: <http://www.oercommons.org/>

A clearinghouse of free teaching and learning resources - from K-12 lesson plans to college curriculum.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS FREE WEBCASTS IN ALL SUBJECT AREAS: <http://www.loc.gov/today/cyberlc/>

EXAMPLE OF A WEBCAST ON THE POETRY OF LANGSTON HUGHES:

http://www.loc.gov/today/cyberlc/feature_wdesc.php?rec=3352

Don't forget about the online courses offered at YALE UNIVERSITY (<http://open.yale.edu/courses/>) :

See this Free Seminar at YALE UNIVERSITY on the Poetry of Langston Hughes as an example:

Contact an EducationUSA adviser near you for guidance on finding and applying to an accredited U.S. college or university

<http://www.educationusa.state.gov/>

http://open.yale.edu/courses/english/modern_poetry/sessions/lecture15.html

OTHER FREE UNIVERSITY COURSES OFFERED AT MIT: (<http://ocw.mit.edu>, UC BERKELEY (<http://youtube.com/ucberkeley>) and many others.

The Directory at OCW CONSORTIUM (<http://ocwconsortium.org>) will have a complete list of these. Click on the TAB "MEMBERS" to see that list.

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IRC WEB SITE: <http://egypt.usembassy.gov/irc/index.htm>

Our CAIRO IRC Wiki with numerous related resources:

<http://irosteveperry.pbwiki.com/irosteveperry>