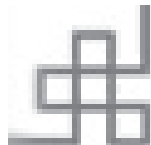
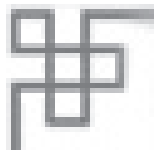


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SOURCES OF RED POCKETS SCHOLARSHIP

The Red Pockets Scholarship was created in 2004 as the result of generous donations to the China Center's annual fund drive in honor of its 25th anniversary. The scholarship will provide an opportunity for University of Minnesota students to incorporate an educational or research experience in Mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Macau as part of their academic studies, internships, research, or professional training. The scholarship shall be used for the payment, partially or totally, of travel or tuition. Awards are between \$250 and \$1,500.

ELIGIBILITY

- applicant must be enrolled full-time in a degree-seeking program at the University of Minnesota
- applicant must be in good academic standing, with a GAP of at least 3.00 (undergraduate student) or 3.5 (graduate student), with potential in their field
- applicant must be a U.S. citizen or U.S. permanent resident

APPLICATION PROCESS

Complete the application packet including:

1. scholarship application form
2. faculty letter of recommendation (for graduate students, cannot be faculty adviser)
3. current official transcript
4. personal statement of purpose (undergraduate student) or research proposal (graduate student)
5. statement of support for research proposal from academic/faculty adviser (graduate student only)

SELECTION CRITERIA

- applicants should have a well-defined objective involving their program in Mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, or Macau
- strong record of academic achievement
- strong motivation and potential for independent accomplishment in his/her chosen field

Applications will be reviewed by a committee; scholarship recipients will be notified of scholarship awards by mail approximately three weeks after the application deadline.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

- December 10, 2007 - for expected study or research in the spring semester of 2008
- March 31, 2008 - for expected study in the May session and summer session of 2008
- July 28, 2008 - for expected study in the fall semester and winter break of 2008 and academic year of 2008-09



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Application

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant Name _____

Social Security # _____ University I.D. # _____

Address (where information should be sent) _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Permanent Address and Phone (or mark 'same as above') _____

Student Status: Undergraduate Graduate

What year are you? (sophomore, 1st year of M.A. program, etc.) _____

Major/Field of Study _____

CHINA STUDY OR RESEARCH PLANS

Complete title of proposed study or research program in Mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, or Macau _____

At which university or institution _____ Total Program Cost _____

Expected period of study or research in China (check all that apply):

- Spring Semester 2008
- May Session 2008
- Summer Session 2008
- Fall Semester 2008
- Winter Break 2008
- Academic Year 2008-09

Application Deadlines:

December 10, 2007 for spring semester 2008
March 31, 2008 for May session & summer session 2008
July 28, 2008 for fall semester & winter break 2008, and
academic year 2008-09

You are required to see a Learning Abroad Center adviser.

When and who did you see? Date _____ Name of the Adviser _____

Have you applied for or been awarded additional funding? Applied For Awarded No

If yes, for what amount and from whom? _____

PASSPORT INFORMATION

Name as listed on passport _____ Passport Number _____

Birth Date _____ Place of Birth _____

Issued at _____ Country of Citizenship _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

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Applicant Name _____ University Student I.D. # _____

You may attach a separate sheet of paper if you prefer.

1. Briefly describe any previous study abroad or overseas experience.

2. Describe your proposed academic or research plan.

3. Describe how being in China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, or Macau would aid you in this proposal.



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Application Checklist

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

- SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM
- FACULTY RECOMMENDATION
- PERSONAL STATEMENT OF PURPOSE
- CURRENT OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

GRADUATE STUDENTS

- SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM
- STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FROM
ACADEMIC/FACULTY ADVISER
- FACULTY RECOMMENDATION
(faculty member other than academic adviser)
- RESEARCH PLAN OR STUDY PROPOSAL
- CURRENT OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

Please return completed materials by 4:00 p.m. on the deadline date to:

China Center
290 Humphrey Center
301 - 19th Avenue South
Minneapolis MN 55455

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