FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES FELLOWSHIPS (FLAS)
at Yale University
Academic Year 2018-2019

Availability of fellowships for the 2018-2019 academic year are pending successful application by the Councils to continue FLAS for the next four year cycle.

The Whitney and Betty MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies at Yale invites applications to the 2018-2019 academic year Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships (FLAS) for modern language, area and international studies. The FLAS fellowships are funded under Title VI grants from the U.S. Department of Education.

The goal of the FLAS fellowships is to enhance the international expertise of U.S. nationals. Academic year FLAS fellowships are for Yale undergraduate, graduate and professional school students who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents, whose academic programs include the study of a foreign language designated as priority by the U.S. Department of Education and whose career plans include teaching, public service or business. The competition is open to current undergraduate, graduate or professional school students who will be continuing their studies at Yale in AY 2018-2019 and students admitted for study at Yale beginning fall 2018. Incoming students may also be nominated by their admissions committee chairperson.

For graduate students FLAS fellowships provide $18,000 toward tuition and a $15,000 stipend for living expenses.

For undergraduate students FLAS fellowships provide $10,000 toward tuition and a $5,000 stipend for living expenses. Undergraduate students may apply for language study at the intermediate or advanced level only.

Highest priority will be for study at the advanced levels of the eligible languages and for students pursuing master’s degrees who may be more likely to pursue government service. Preference will be given to those students who have the most significant demonstrated financial need, as indicated by the student’s EFC (based on the FAFSA). All undergraduates must self-report their EFC in their applications; graduate students who wish to be considered for preference based on their financial need must also submit their self-reported EFC in applications. The recipient’s overall course of study at Yale must demonstrate his/her commitment to area studies. Language study must bear a clear relationship to the applicants overall course of study, must continue throughout the tenure of the fellowship, and must clearly relate to the area of concentration of the award. **FLAS recipients must be enrolled in one area studies class and one language class per semester at the approved level in the approved language for the duration of their award. Recipients MUST maintain satisfactory academic progress and successfully complete their language courses.**

In order to be eligible for FLAS fellowship, students who apply must be willing to comply with the U.S. Department of Education requirements including to be part of a FLAS fellows group surveyed regarding their career tracks every other year for a period of eight years after graduation. Therefore, **FLAS fellows must inform the MacMillan Center immediately whenever changes occur in their e-mail addresses.**
Separate applications must be made for each area of concentration.

For African Studies students must demonstrate research and/or professional interest in the field of African Studies. Priority is given to intermediate and advanced year language study, but entry level awards to graduate students may be considered. Eligible languages include: Arabic, Swahili, Yoruba, Wolof and Zulu. For more information please contact norah.langat@yale.edu

For European Studies students must demonstrate interest and/or experience in European Studies. Priority is given to intermediate and advanced year language study, but entry level awards to graduate students may be considered. Eligible languages include: Czech, Dutch, French (Graduate students only), German (Graduate only), Modern Greek, Polish, Portuguese, Italian, Russian, Hungarian, Romanian, Serbo-Croatian, Ukrainian, and Spanish (Graduate only). For more information please contact marianne.lyden@yale.edu

For Middle East Studies students must demonstrate research and professional interest in fields related to Middle East Studies. Priority is given to intermediate and advanced year language study, but entry level awards to graduate students may be considered. Eligible languages include: Arabic, Hebrew, Persian, and Turkish. For more information please contact cmes@yale.edu

Women, members of ethnic/racial minority groups, and persons who have disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Special note to successful candidates:

The U.S. Department of Education specifically requires that FLAS fellowship recipients complete a performance report upon fulfillment of the academic year or summer session of the FLAS award. Additionally students will receive language faculty pre and post language evaluations. The reporting is completed using an online system called IRIS. The system will automatically notify you at the end of the course with instructions for completing the report. It is the responsibility of each FLAS fellowship recipient to complete this report ON TIME. Recipients will also be expected to participate in a biennial survey upon graduating. Future funding for FLAS awards depends on award winners completing their performance report and survey to comply with the Department of Education’s grant requirements and schedules.

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Students must apply through the Student Grants and Fellowships database (http://studentgrants.yale.edu)

For Students with financial aid, please discuss how this fellowship may impact your financial aid package with the Financial Aid Office.

The deadline is February 28, 2018.