Swarthmore Research Grants and Internships in the Social Sciences

2004 INFORMATION ONLY

All application forms (with the exception of Public Policy) should be obtained from and all materials should be submitted to Rose Maio, Kohlberg 232. Information and application can also be found at: http://www.swarthmore.edu/SocSci/ssgrants/ssindex.html

The Joel Dean Summer Research Grants

Eugene M. Lang Summer Initiative Grants

Maximum Award: $3750
Number of Awards: See Below
Deadline: March 1
Coordinator: Prof. Robert Weinberg, History (e-mail – rweinbe1 or call x8133)

These fellowships support Swarthmore students’ participation in 10 weeks of full-time summer research in the social sciences. Grants support both faculty- and student-initiated projects; the application process is slightly different for each type of proposal. Priority is given to research oriented proposals; projects involving course development are not supported. Lang grants may be used to support research activities related to social service.

Eligibility: All Social Sciences faculty members whose appointments at Swarthmore will continue into the 2004-2005 academic year are eligible to sponsor or participate in these grants. Precedence will be given to faculty who have not previously received funding and to junior faculty. Faculty proposals to work with juniors, and student initiated-proposals submitted by juniors are given priority, but sophomores may apply. Priority will be given to students whose projects clearly reflect prior academic work in the area and the potential for thesis or project work in their senior year and to students who have not received any other Swarthmore funding for research-related activities. All faculty-initiated proposals must be approved by the department of the faculty member involved. Student-initiated proposals must be approved by the department of the faculty supervisor.

Funding: The number of grants depends on the level of outside funding, which changes every year. Student-initiated projects must include a detailed budget of all expenses for no more than 10 weeks. Students engaged in joint research with faculty members will be paid $3750 for ten weeks; adjustments will be made for research projects lasting fewer than ten weeks. Budgets are therefore not required for faculty-initiated proposals.

The William L. Huganir Summer Research Stipend on Population Issues

Maximum Award: $3000
Number of Awards: As Funding Permits
Deadline: March 1
Coordinator: Prof. Robert Weinberg, History  (e-mail – rweinbe1 or call x8133)

The William L. Huganir Summer Research Stipend is awarded each spring by the chairs of the Social Science Division based on the academic interests of a student or students who wish to pursue summer research on global population issues.
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The Sam Hayes III Research Grant
Maximum Award: $2250
Number of Awards: 1
Deadline: March 1
Coordinator: Prof. Bernard Saffran, Economics (e-mail – bsaffra1 or call x8124)

The grant enables one student's research during the summer to pursue in greater depth some topic in business economics -- liberally defined -- on which work was initiated during the year (in a class paper, for example). Any student, regardless of major, may apply. The research may be done at Swarthmore or in some appropriate context elsewhere. Students will apply by submitting an initial paper along with supporting material, including a plan for future research. The grant, created through the generosity of the Swarthmore Alumni in Finance, honors an alumnus, member of the Board of Managers, and eminent teacher at the Harvard Business School.

The Mark L. Osterweil '94 Memorial Fund
Maximum Award: As Funding Permits
Number of Awards: 1-2
Deadline: March 1
Coordinator: Prof. Pieter Judson, History Department (e-mail – pjudson1 or call x8136)

The Mark L. Osterweil '94 Memorial Fund was established by his family and friends to assist students conducting historical research. Mark was an ardent student of European history, with a special interest in relations between Europe and his country of choice, the United States. Preference in awarding support from the Osterweil Fund shall be given to independent or joint faculty-student research projects dealing with European history or US-European relations. Students are encouraged to apply also for a Joel Dean and Eugene M. Lang Summer Initiative Grant in order to supplement the funds provided by the Osterweil Fund.

Summer Peace Studies Internships
Maximum Award: $3750
Number of Awards: 2
Deadline: March 1
Coordinator: Prof. Amanda Bayer, Economics Department (e-mail – abayer1 or call x7821)

This fellowship will be awarded to Swarthmore undergraduates for a program of off-campus research in some field of Peace and Conflict Studies in which observation, interviews, or other forms of inquiry beyond the library play an important role. A student will serve as an intern on a peace related project typically in an existing organization working on peace and conflict issues. Students can utilize the resources of the Peace Collection located in McCabe Library. While the project report from the summer's internship may be developed into a substantial paper or thesis leading to further academic work, the stated purpose of the fellowship is to provide support for an off-campus internship of originality, intellectual merit and of public significance. The amount of the support depends upon a realistic project budget for living expenses, and travel in some cases.
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Joanna Rudge Long '56 Award in Conflict Resolution
Maximum Award: $3750
Number of Awards: At least 1
Deadline: March 1
Coordinator: Prof. Amanda Bayer, Economics Department (e-mail - abayer1 or call x7821)

The Joanna Rudge Long'56 award will be given to an undergraduate of Swarthmore College for a summer research project or summer internship "relating to the acquisition of skills in peaceful conflict resolution by elementary school age or younger children."

Research projects may be designed and implemented by students or may be conducted in collaboration with or under the supervision of faculty members of Swarthmore College or from other (academic or research) institutions.

Proposals may be for internships in established agencies or organizations which have programs, or are in the process of forming programs, specifically relating to the acquisition of skills in peaceful conflict resolution by elementary school age or younger children. All students except graduating seniors are eligible to apply.

The James H. Scheuer Summer Internship in Environmental Studies
Maximum Award: $3750
Number of Awards: 1 each year
Deadline: March 1
Coordinator: Prof. Art McGarity, Engineering (e-mail – amcgari1 or call x8077)

The Scheuer internship provides one student with a summer stipend for an independent research-oriented project in the field of Environmental Studies. Submit a 1-2 page proposal containing a description of the project, a statement of your qualifications, and a list of anticipated expenses. Also suggest the names of one or two faculty members who can serve as references (letters from these persons are not necessary). For additional info please check:
http://www.swarthmore.edu/es/Scheuer.html

The J. Roland Pennock Fellowships in Public Affairs
Maximum Award: As Funding Permits
Number of Awards: As Funding Permits
Deadline: March 1
Coordinator: Prof. Rob Hollister, Economics (e-mail – rhollis1 or call x8105)

These Fellowships will be awarded for a program of off-campus research in public affairs in which observation, interviews, or other forms of inquiry beyond the library play an important role. A student will receive college support for just one summer internship/research grant during their Swarthmore career. Funds will not provided for travel back to home as part of the Fellowship. The Fellowship will normally be held during the summer, though it may be held during a semester or both a summer and a semester. The recipient will submit a substantial analytical paper that is based on the research program funded by the Fellowship. Although the research program may grow out of work, including
internships, done at Swarthmore, the purpose of the Fellowship is to support off-campus work of originality, intellectual merit, and if possible, some public consequence. All continuing Swarthmore students are eligible although preference will be given to juniors.
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Susanne Hardick Smith ‘52 Research Grant for Political Science

Maximum Award: $2250
Number of Awards: 1
Deadline: March 1
Coordinator: Tyrene White, Political Science  (email - twhite1 or call x8138)

This research grant provides support for independent and original research in any field of Political Science. Only Political Science majors are eligible to receive the grant (graduating seniors are not eligible). Students should submit a brief description of the proposed research project (including a statement about how the research contributes to their work in the major), a bibliography of relevant work, a resume, a transcript, a budget, and the names of one or two faculty references. Letters of reference need not be submitted.

The David G. Smith Internship in Health and Social Policy

Maximum Award: As Funding Permits
Number of Awards: As Funding Permits
Deadline: March 1
Coordinator: Prof. Rob Hollister, Economics  (e-mail – rhollis1 or call x8105)

This award is to provide financial support to a student doing an internship in social policy, with priority for the field of health care. The Fellowship will normally be held during the summer, though it may be held during a semester or both a summer and a semester. A student will receive college support for just one summer internship/research grant during their Swarthmore career. The recipient will submit a substantial analytical paper that is based on the research program funded by the Fellowship. Criteria for selection include the student's past academic performance and the relationship of the internship to the applicant's academic program. The internship will be funded up to the maximum level available for domestic internship support offered by any other College program. Funds will not provided for travel back to home as part of the internship grant. All continuing Swarthmore students are eligible although preference will be given to juniors.

The Public Policy Concentration Internship Funding

Maximum Award: $3500 for domestic internships
$3750 for international internships
Number of Awards: As Funding Permits
Deadline: April 15
Coordinator: Prof. Rob Hollister, Economics  (e-mail – rhollis1 or call x8105)

The Public Policy Concentration will provide travel and living expense support for students working at an internship that fulfills the internship requirement for the Public Policy Concentration. Funds will not provided for travel back to home as part of the internship grant. A student will receive college support for just one summer internship/research grant during their Swarthmore career. Priority is given to students entering the senior class. Priority is also given to students whose internship is likely to lead to successful completion of the Public Policy thesis and the requirements of the Public Policy concentration or minor in honors. Students should first apply for other funds from the College; decisions about other fellowships and awards will be made before the Public Policy Concentration Internship Funding decisions are made.
Students must be Public Policy Concentrators in order to qualify for public policy funding.

Public Policy applications should be obtained from and all material should be submitted to Cathy Wareham, Trotter 105.

N.B. The total award from all college sources may not exceed $3750.00. Note that your budget should justify to details of the total you ask for; not all grants will be at the maximum. When considering your budget please note that Federal, State and all applicable local taxes will be taken out of your stipend. (If you file a tax return, you may get this money back.)

*Summer of Service Internships Grants are offered through the Lang Center for Civic and Social Responsibility.* Please contact Debra Kardon-Brown (*dkardon1@swarthmore.edu*) for additional information regarding these grants.

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