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I. Scholarships and Fellowships

Undergraduate: Cornell College, Mount Vernon, Iowa

Set on a wooded hilltop overlooking scenic Mount Vernon, Iowa, Cornell College is a private, four-year liberal arts college offering students extraordinary opportunities for academic enrichment.

Cornell's some 1,200 undergraduate students benefit from the college's distinctive course system, known as One-Course-At-A-Time, which enables students to focus deeply on one subject for a three and a half week period, followed by a four day block break. Each term students choose from nearly sixty course offerings ranging from on-campus lecture classes to off-site internships and international study trips. 35 majors, 25 minors, and 11 pre-professional programs are offered by the college and students have the opportunity to design their own major.

Cornell awards academic merit scholarships to a select group of incoming students who have demonstrated records of academic success and scholarly potential. Select fine arts scholarships are also available for students interested in pursuing art, music, or theater.

Application Deadline

Scholarships: Awarded with admission.

General Admission:

Students who apply for fall admission by **February 1** will receive priority in regular decision processing and possibly early notification. Applications postmarked by **March 1** will be considered, but the process may be delayed.

Eligibility Requirements

Scholarships

Eligibility criteria vary. See <http://www.cornellcollege.edu/financial-assistance/types-of-assistance/scholarship-opportunities.shtml> for more information.

General Admission:

- Prospective students should submit the following materials:
- A preliminary application
- Submit a school report form/certified secondary school record with English translation
- The results of the SAT or ACT (optional)
- A letter of recommendation (optional)
- TOEFL (550/213/79 minimum scores); IELTS (6.0 minimum band score)
- A declaration of finances

Further Information

<http://www.cornellcollege.edu>

<http://www.cornellcollege.edu/admissions/apply-to-cornell/apply-international.shtml>

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Undergraduate: Amherst College, Amherst, Massachusetts

Widely regarded as one of the most premier liberal arts institutions in the nation, Amherst College is well-known for its talented student body, committed faculty, and rigorous academic curriculum. Amherst's tight-knit student community of just under 1,700 undergraduates has the opportunity to also take courses at any of the five colleges in the Amherst consortium including Smith, Mount Holyoke, the Hampshire Colleges, and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Amherst offers a Bachelors of Arts degree in thirty-three fields of study and, with a faculty-to-student ratio of 1:8, classes are characterized by intellectual stimulation and active learning. Amherst also offers an unusual open curriculum in which students are not required to take a core curriculum or distribution requirements.

Since its founding, Amherst has followed a need-blind admissions policy. Students are admitted without regard to financial aid need and each admitted student is guaranteed financial aid equal to financial need. Starting in 2009-10, Amherst will become need-blind to evaluating international students. If admitted, students will receive financial aid equal to financial need through a combination of scholarships and work opportunities.

Application Deadline

Scholarships: February 15 for aid application and supporting income and wage documentation
General Admission: Early decision deadline September 1; Regular application deadline January 1

Eligibility Requirements

Scholarships

Amherst's financial aid package uses a need analysis formula to determine a student's family contribution versus Amherst grant and work assistance. For more information, please see: <http://www.amherst.edu/~finaid/international/index.html>.

General Admission

Incoming freshman should submit the following materials:

- An application for admission
- TOEFL/IELTS/MELAB results (waived for students who score above a 700 on the critical reasoning section of the SAT or whose secondary education was primarily in English)
- International Student Financial Aid Application
- Certified secondary school transcript
- Standardized tests (SAT reasoning plus two subject tests or ACT with essay)
- Teacher/counselor recommendations

Further Information

<http://www.amherst.edu>
https://cms.amherst.edu/admission/apply/international_students

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Graduate: The University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah

The University of Utah provides its over 6,000 graduate students with premier facilities and faculty in the scenic setting of Salt Lake City, Utah's state capital. Consistently ranking among the top 25 federally funded research institutions in the United States, The University of Utah is a comprehensive research university and a national leader in the licensing of new technology.

The graduate school enrolls a diverse student body from all fifty states and more than 100 countries from around the world enrolled in academic and professional degree programs including Master of Arts, Master of Science, Master of Business Administration, Master of Engineering, Doctor of Pharmacy, Doctor of Medicine, and Juris Doctor.

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International graduate students can qualify for teaching, research, and graduate assistantships. Departmental fellowships for specific degrees and general graduate fellowship and scholarships which typically cover \$10,000-\$15,000 plus tuition are also open to international applicants.

Application Deadline

Scholarships: Most applications due in early January or February. Interested students should consult specific departments or <http://www.gradschool.utah.edu/tbp/finassist.php> for individual deadline dates.

General Admission: April 1 for fall admission; November 1 for spring admission. Applications received following the deadline date will be accepted with a \$25 late handling fee until the final cut off date. Many graduate departments have deadlines different from the published deadlines of the university. Students should contact the academic department of their choice for information concerning departmental deadlines.

Eligibility Requirements

Scholarships

Matriculation into the graduate school and full-time enrollment status. International teaching assistants are required to be cleared through the International Teaching Assistant Program in order to be eligible for a tuition benefit.

General Admission

For an international applicant to be considered for admission to the Graduate School, the following requirements must be satisfied:

- The applicant must have a bachelor's degree or equivalent from a recognized institution of higher learning
- The applicant must have a minimum 3.0 grade point average (B average) or better
- The faculty in the college or department in which the applicant wishes to study must recommend admission

International applicants must submit the following documents:

- The University of Utah Application for Admission to the Graduate School
- A non-refundable \$65 processing fee
- Certified school records in their original language accompanied by an official English translation
- Official degrees and diplomas in their original language accompanied by an official English translation
- TOEFL (500/173/61 minimum score)
- A statement of rank in class

Further Information

<http://www.gradschool.utah.edu/index.php>
<http://www.sa.utah.edu/admiss/InterGrad.htm>

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Post Doctorate: Columbia University Society of Fellows in the Humanities, New York, New York

Founded in 1976, the Columbia University Society of Fellows in the Humanities ranks as one of the first and most prestigious postgraduate fellowship programs. Humanities fellows, who come from a variety of humanistic disciplines such as literature, art history, music, history, philosophy, and political theory, are given daily opportunities to share work and engage in interdisciplinary discussion with other fellows, visiting scholars, Columbia faculty members, and guest lecturers.

The Society invites applications from qualified candidates who have received the Ph.D. between January 1, 2005 and July 1, 2009. Fellows are appointed as Lecturers in appropriate departments at Columbia University and as postdoctoral research fellows. Each fellow will receive an annual stipend of \$55,000 and a research allowance of \$4,000 per annum, renewable for a second and third year.

The application consists of an online application form; five complete, collated sets of application materials; two letters of recommendation; a \$30 application processing fee; and a stamped, self-addressed postcard. Finalists will be invited for a personal interview with members of the Society's governing board.

Application: Candidates should see <http://www.columbia.edu/cu/societyoffellows/fellowship.html> for application materials and additional information.

Application Deadline/Qualification: All applications must be postmarked by October 6, 2008. Only postdoctoral humanities scholars receiving their Ph.D. within the specified period may apply.

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Post Doctorate: Department of Radiology, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

A Postdoctoral Scholar or Research Associate (Assistant Professor) position is available at the University of Chicago's Department of Radiology's Kenji Suzuki Lab of medical and computer science. The Postdoctoral Scholar position targets highly motivated individuals wanting to develop or advance academic careers in the field of medical imaging science and engineering. The research interests of the Kenji Suzuki Lab include computer-aided diagnostics of lesions in medical images and the development of techniques of pattern recognition, image analysis, and machine learning for computer-aided diagnostics.

Specific research opportunities include computer-aided diagnostics scheme for early detection of colon cancer; computer-aided quantitative measurements of lesions in medical imaging; computerized detection and characterization of liver lesions in CT; development of machine learning for medical image analysis; investigation of machine learning technology inspired by the human visual system; and virtual dual-energy radiography.

Applicants should have earned a Ph.D. in computer science/engineering, biomedical engineering, or similar disciplines. Successful candidates will have substantial experience in 2D and 3D pattern recognition, computer vision, image analysis, and/or machine learning in addition to several to a dozen first-author high-quality journal publications in relevant fields, strong problem solving and collaboration skills, and excellent computer programming skills in C, C++, Perl, or Matlab.

Application: Interested candidates should submit a CV, a brief statement of research interests, and a list of references with contact information to Kenji Suzuki at Suzuki@chicago.edu.

Application Deadline/Qualifications: Potential applicants should see <http://suzukilab.uchicago.edu/position.htm> for more information.

**English Language and Teacher Training Program Highlights:
International Language Institute of Massachusetts**

Intensive English Program

The International Language Institute's Intensive English Program offers practical and academic English in interactive classes:

- Academic and practical English
- Small, interactive classes
- Experienced and caring teachers
- iBT TOEFL and university preparation
- Business English option
- Computer lab with unlimited access
- Private tutorial sessions available
- Emphasis on speaking and understanding
- Internet-connected and wi-fi computer lab Certificate of completion Home-Stay Option

Visit www.ili.edu for more information about the Intensive English Program

Teacher-Training Course

The TESOL Certificate program is a 4-week intensive teacher-training course that provides participants with the practical skills and confidence they need to be successful in the language classroom.

- Internationally Recognized Certificate
- Certified, Experienced Trainers
- Rich cross-cultural environment
- Participants teach real classes every day!
- World Learning SIT TESOL Certificate

For more 2009 dates and information, please visit: www.ili.edu

The school is located in a beautiful, culturally rich university area and only a few hours from Boston and New York.

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Intensive English Program

II. News you can use

ACE Report Offers Advice on Building International Partnerships

A new report from the American Council on Education (ACE) provides recommendations for higher education institutions seeking to build international partnerships. The report, "International Partnerships: Guidelines for Colleges and Universities," provides guidelines for developing partnerships in this environment, as well as sample agreements covering many types of partnerships.

The report is available for purchase at:

<http://store.acenet.edu/showItem.aspx?product=311845&session=84009>.

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