

# Pi Kappa Phi Foundation

## *International Scholars Award*

*Leadership through Scholarship*

ВОЖДЬ  
Gebieder  
Anfuhrer  
**LEADERS**



**SCHOLARS**

УЧЕНЫЙ  
Erudito  
Studioso

Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.  
W. B. Yeats

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### Application 2009

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#### ***Background***

The increasingly complex world of international economics and business will require leadership that is both knowledgeable and understanding of the interactions between various cultures, political and economic systems. Globalization and its manifold impacts on these systems will be a challenge and opportunity for tomorrow's leader. As Microsoft founder and former CEO, Bill Gates, was quoted as saying, "This is a very exciting time in the world. It's not just that the personal computer has come along as a great tool. The whole pace of business is moving faster. Globalization is forcing companies and people to do things in new ways."

To help prepare students to keep pace in this ever-changing business climate, the Pi Kappa Phi Foundation has created the International Scholars Award (ISA). Endowed through the generosity of two fraternity alumni members, the goal of the ISA is to provide an opportunity for outstanding student leaders who might not otherwise be able to afford a study abroad experience, the opportunity to gain first hand knowledge and understanding of the various business, economic and cultural differences inherently found in other nations.

The Pi Kappa Phi Foundation believes that the problems of tomorrow will require thoughtful and engaged leadership that not only understands the basics of international business and how markets work, but the nuances of cultural and language dissimilarities between nations. The ISA seeks to empower students to reach beyond their college community and find a more competitive and compelling world just beyond their grasp.

#### ***Criteria | Eligibility***

All initiated, undergraduate members of Pi Kappa Phi currently maintaining a full course of study (at least 12 credit hours) are eligible to apply. However, competitive applicants will have a proven record of academic success as evidenced by their official university transcript and, at a minimum, will have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0. Applicants must also possess leadership ability as demonstrated by their active involvement in the chapter and within their campus community.

The focus of the award is to enable a worthy student or students to participate in a study abroad program who might not otherwise have the resources to do so. Therefore, a student's financial need will be considered by the Review Committee and applicants are asked to submit a sample budget [see page 2 for details] of their anticipated expenses while abroad, including a listing of all cash sources that will help pay for the experience.

Also, appropriate documentation of an applicant's acceptance into an accredited study abroad program must be submitted before the application is considered complete. A formal acceptance letter or correspondence from the program's director shall suffice. Lastly, applicants must submit answers to the essay questions noted at the end of this application and submit one letter of recommendation.

**In order for your application to be considered, you must comply with the following:**

- 1. You are an initiated member who is in good standing with the Fraternity. Your chapter Treasurer must initial the application attesting to your good standing status.**
- 2. You have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better.**
- 3. You are holding or have held a leadership position within the chapter.** (Executive Council or Committee)
- 4. You have thoroughly and thoughtfully answered all Essay/Short Answer questions.**
- 5. You have submitted an official transcript along with your application.**
- 6. You have been accepted into an accredited study abroad program.**
- 7. You have completed the personal budget.**
- 8. You have submitted one letter of reference from someone other than a family member.**

*Please note that a telephone interview may be requested by the Review Committee.*

## ***Recognition | Payment***

Recipients of an International Scholars Award may request an award up to a **\$4000.00**, but such requests must be substantiated by the budget submitted for review. The exact amount will be determined by the Foundation upon review of the application and submitted budget. Award payment will be sent directly to the host institution and will be applied against all eligible tuition and student fees. It will be the recipient's responsibility to ensure that the Pi Kappa Phi Foundation has the needed information in order to fulfill payment.

Award recipients can also expect to receive the following recognition:

1. A press release announcing your selection as a Pi Kappa Phi International Scholar Award recipient will be sent to your school's media and information coordinating office.
2. Recognition at the Pi Kappa Phi summer conference (Supreme Chapter or Pi Kapp College) if appropriate.
3. A certificate that appropriately commemorates your selection as an International Scholar.
4. Coverage in the Fraternity's award winning magazine, *The Star & Lamp*.

## ***Program Follow Up***

International Scholars Award recipients may be called by the Pi Kappa Phi Foundation following their term abroad to discuss their experience and to participate in a program review. The purpose of this is to ensure quality control in the scholarship program and to maintain this initiative's ongoing educational relevance.

## ***Budget Detail***

Please submit a complete budget for the time period of the study abroad program. All expenses should be included -- tuition, books, misc. supplies, living expenses, transportation to and from program, field trips, entertainment, and any other expenses that would be associated with the program. Include all sources of income (personal savings, parental assistance, scholarship, grants, loans, etc.) used to support your participation in the program. If expenses exceed income, indicate how you intend to close the gap. See attached Exhibit for format example.

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**Deadline:** Postmarked by April 17, 2009 – **NEW DATE**

## *Instructions*

1. Complete the Biographical Information portion of the application.
2. Initial the criteria checklist.
3. Answer questions on page two of this application by typing your responses.
4. Sign and date the application.
5. Send application to:

Pi Kappa Phi Foundation  
ATTN: International Scholars Award  
PO Box 240526  
Charlotte, NC 28224

## ***Biographical Information***

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

School Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Major(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Year as of Feb 1, 2009 (circle one): FR SO JR SR

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Completed Credit Hours: \_\_\_\_\_ Previous Term GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

## ***Criteria Checklist (Initial next to each statement. Treasurer must initial form)***

\_\_\_\_\_ I am an initiated member of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am in good standing with my chapter. Treasurer Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer Email / Phone: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have answered all questions completely and thoroughly.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have enclosed my anticipated personal budget and grant request.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have enclosed an official transcript with this application.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have enclosed my letter of recommendation.

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***Signature***

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***Date***

*By signing this application I am attesting to the complete accuracy and truthfulness of all information stated herein. I am also aware that the information submitted with this application may be independently verified and I voluntarily agree and accept to all requests stated herein as a precondition for consideration of my application.*

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## *Budget Worksheet*

### INCOME SOURCES

Parents / Guardian	\$
Personal Savings	\$
Student Financial Aid / Grants	\$
Other Scholarships	\$
Other Sources	\$
a.)	\$
b.)	\$

**TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### ANTICIPATED EXPENSES

Tuition & Fees	\$
Housing	\$
Meal Plan / Food	\$
Transportation	\$
Other Expenses	\$
a.)	\$
b.)	\$

**TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount You are Requesting:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Grant requests of up to \$4,000 will be considered. Grant requests must be substantiated by the quality of your application and your budget worksheet. Final amounts will be determined by the Foundation.

**1. Short Answer Response**

On a separate sheet of paper, in a concise statement (no more than two pages), explain to the Review Committee what drew you to this particular study abroad program? How does it dovetail into your stated career goals/objectives? And, what do you hope to learn? *(This response must be typed).*

**2. Career Goals / Objectives**

On a separate sheet of paper, please give a short statement about your desired career goals and objectives. Please limit your response to less than one page, typed, double spaced. *(This response must be typed).*

**3. Leadership Activities**

On a separate sheet of paper, please list of all leadership and extra-curricular activities you have been involved in during your time in college. Indicate the name of activity, a brief description, and the role you played (i.e. offices / committees positions held). *(This response must be typed).*