

GLOBAL CONNECTIONS

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CAMPUS INTERNATIONALIZATION

- [The Relationship Between Living Abroad and Creativity](#), A new article published in the Journal of Personality and Social Psychology presents a unique discussion that living abroad (as opposed to traveling abroad) and showed a positive relationship with the development of creativity.
- [U.S. House of Representatives Passes Simon Study Abroad Bill](#), The Simon Act sets the goal that in 10 years' time at least one million American college students from diverse backgrounds will study abroad annually in locations across the globe, with an emphasis on destinations in developing countries. To achieve this goal, the legislation establishes an innovative new structure that will provide financial support to students to study abroad, while at the same time requiring U.S. higher education institutions to address the on-campus factors that currently impede students' ability to study abroad.
- [New CSU, Chico Career Center website includes international job links](#), Students can access links to international job postings and search engines on the newly launched site. Students can also find international internships and career resources on the [Global Connections](#) site.

OPPORTUNITIES

- [English Conversation Partners Wanted for this Summer](#), CSU, Chico's American Language and Culture Institute (ALCI) students come from many different countries and have varying English speaking abilities. Conversation partners give international students the opportunity to practice speaking English in informal settings with native speakers, which enables them to learn about American culture and improve their language skills. Meanwhile, American partners benefit from learning about different cultures and practicing communication with non-English speakers. You should plan to meet your conversation partner for at least one hour per week during the summer semester. Our students may study for one 5-week session or more at ALCI so your partner may not be here the entire summer. Please contact the ALCI office, 898-6821, email us at kduffy5@csuchico.edu, or visit our office upstairs in the Center for Regional & Continuing Education for more information.
- [Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program](#), Sends nearly 800 scholars & professionals each year to 140 countries, where they lecture or conduct research in a wide variety of academic & professional fields. Applicants must have current U.S. citizenship; hold a Ph.D. or other terminal degree in their field; have university teaching experience; & have foreign language proficiency for country where project will take place. Deadline August 1, 2009.
- [Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission Grants](#), Supports reciprocal research programs between the United States and Japan in support of the continuation of close friendship and cooperation. Awards will be made on the basis of academic or professional excellence evaluated in relation to: national & cultural needs for certain professional fields; existing gaps in understanding; & availability or lack of other sources of support. Deadline August 3, 2009.

- [Japan Foundation Grants](#), To encourage innovative projects which emphasize institution building and sustainable contributions to the field of Japanese Studies in the US, the Japan Foundation provides support to colleges, universities (or a consortia of colleges and universities), and academic organizations that play a central role in Japanese studies. The Japan Foundation is soliciting a request for proposals for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. Individual grants of up to \$150,000 per year will be made to academic organizations that articulate convincing, multi-year proposals. Preliminary Proposal Deadline July 15, 2009.
- [U.S. - Mexico University Partnerships – Environmental Sciences](#), Higher Education for Development (HED) anticipates making up to (5) five awards of up to \$300,000 each, incrementally funded over a three-year period, contingent on USAID funding. Up to 3 awards in Biodiversity Conservation, Climate Change, and Competitiveness . Up to 2 awards in Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency, and Competitiveness. Deadline September 10, 2009.
- [National Association of Latino Arts and Culture Grant](#), The Transnational Cultural Remittances program is designed to strengthen the exchange of art and culture between communities linked by people's migration from one country to another. NALAC and the Ford Foundation seek to identify exemplary cultural exchange projects that support grassroots artistic and cultural practices and strengthen social networks across national boundaries in migrant communities. Projects demonstrating an ongoing connection between two or more of the following countries will be eligible for consideration to receive a competitive TCR grant in 2009 or 2010: Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, United States. Deadline: July 24, 2009.
- [Combating Child Labor through Education in Guatemala, Indonesia, Nepal and Rwanda](#), The U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of International Labor Affairs, will award up to USD 18.45 million through 4 or more cooperative agreements to one or more qualifying organizations and/or Associations to combat exploitive child labor in the following 4 countries: Guatemala (up to USD 4.2 million), Indonesia (up to USD 5.5 million), Nepal (up to USD 4.25 million) and Rwanda (up to USD 4.5 million). Projects funded under this solicitation will seek to ensure children's long-term withdrawal and prevention from exploitive child labor, including through the provision of direct educational services, and build capacity in target countries to eliminate exploitive child labor. Deadline July 27, 2009.
- [Grants for International Travel Assistance - Russia and Eastern Europe](#), The Trust for Mutual Understanding makes grants to American nonprofit organizations to support the international travel component of cultural and environmental exchanges conducted in partnership with institutions and individuals in Russia and Eastern and Central Europe. Priority consideration is given to projects in which direct, professional interaction plays a major role. Deadline, August 1, 2009.
- [Grants for Korean Literature Studies Overseas](#), The Daesan Foundation accepts applications for Grants for *Korean Literature Studies Overseas*. The purpose of the program is to promote research in Korean literature studies and to support related activities, with a view to increasing the knowledge of Korean culture overseas. Deadline Aug 28, 2009.
- [Abe Fellowship for International Multidisciplinary Research on Global Concerns](#), The *Abe Fellowship* supports professional research in the social sciences or humanities on contemporary policy-relevant issues, especially those which promote a new level of intellectual cooperation between Japan and America. Applicants must be citizens of the U.S. or Japan (or be able to demonstrate serious affiliations with research communities in the U.S. or Japan) and hold the terminal degree in their field by the start of their fellowship term. Applicants are invited to submit proposals for research in the social sciences or the humanities relevant to any one or combination of the following three themes: (1) global issues, (2) problems common to industrial and industrializing societies, and (3) issues that pertain to US-Japan relations. Deadline September 1, 2009.

- [United States Institute of Peace Fellowships](#), The Jennings Randolph (JR) Program for International Peace awards approximately 12 residential Senior Fellowships each year to allow outstanding scholars, practitioners, policymakers, journalists, and other professionals the opportunity to conduct research on peace, conflict, and international security while taking advantage of their time in Washington D.C. to make connections with other scholars and practitioners both inside and outside USIP. These in-house fellowships normally last for ten months starting in October 2010. Fellowships are open to citizens of any country and include a stipend of up to \$100,000. Deadline Sept 8, 2009.
- [International and Area Studies Fellowships](#), In order to encourage humanistic research in area studies, special funding by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the ACLS has been set aside for up to ten ACLS/SSRC/NEH International and Area Studies Fellowships to be designated among the successful applicants to the central ACLS Fellowship competition. Scholars pursuing research and writing on the societies and cultures of Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Latin America and the Caribbean, Eastern Europe, and the former Soviet Union will be eligible for these special fellowships. Deadline Sept 30, 2009.
- [Frederick Burkhardt Residential Fellowships for Recently Tenured Scholars](#), These fellowships support long-term, unusually ambitious projects in the humanities and related social sciences (1). The ultimate goal of the project should be a major piece of scholarly work by the applicant. Participating Research Centers include the American Academy in Rome; Villa I Tatti (Florence); and Collegium Budapest. Sept. 30, 2009.
- [Grant: American Research in the Humanities in China](#), Support is offered to specialists in all fields of the humanities and humanities-related social sciences, and is not limited to China scholars. Fellowship tenure is from four months to one year of continuous research in China. The fellowship period must fall between July 1, 2009 and December 31, 2010. Deadline September 15, 2009.
- [Grant: New Perspectives on Chinese Culture and Society](#), This program is intended to support projects in the humanities and related social sciences that bridge disciplinary or geographic boundaries, engage new sources, develop fresh approaches to traditional materials and issues, or otherwise bring innovative perspectives to the study of Chinese culture and society. The program will support conferences, workshops/seminars, and planning meetings. Deadline Sept 15, 2009.
- [Developing Global Scientists and Engineers \(International Research Experiences for Students\)](#) The International Research Experiences for Students (IRES) component of the program supports groups of U.S. undergraduate or graduate students conducting research abroad in collaboration with foreign investigators, the Doctoral Dissertation Enhancement Projects (DDEP) component supports the dissertation. Target Deadlines Sept 15, 2009, Feb 15, 2009.
- [NSF International Research Fellowship Program](#), The objective of the International Research Fellowship Program (IRFP) is to introduce scientists and engineers in the early stages of their careers to international collaborative research opportunities, thereby furthering their research capacity and global perspective and forging long-term relationships with scientists, technologists and engineers abroad. Target Deadline September 8, 2009.
- [NSF International Research Network Connections](#), NSF expects to make a set of awards to: provide network connections linking U.S. research networks with peer networks in other parts of the world; leverage existing international network connectivity; improve the quality of end-to-end networking on international paths; explore experimental networking; stimulate the deployment and operational understanding of emerging technologies such as IPv6 in an international context. Deadline Aug 21, 2009.

- **[NSF Partnerships for International Research and Education](#)**, Supporting innovative, international research and education collaborations. The program will enable U.S. scientists and engineers to establish collaborative relationships with international colleagues in order to advance new knowledge and discoveries at the frontiers of science and engineering and to promote the development of a diverse, globally-engaged U.S. scientific and engineering workforce. Deadline Aug 4, 2009.

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