

**2006-2007 American University and External Funding  
Opportunities for Students, Faculty and Alumni**

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## AU Financial Assistance

### I. Undergraduate Student

#### a. AU After Dark:

The AU after Dark program has been established to provide monetary and marketing assistance for targeted late night events at American University conducted by university recognized student organizations. Organizations are eligible for up to \$500.00 of AU after Dark funds per semester. Events must occur on Friday or Saturday evenings between 8pm and 2am and must not end before midnight. Event must be held on Main campus, Tenley Campus, or Park Bethesda. No off campus events will be funded. Maximum: \$500 per semester

**For more information, please visit:**

[http://www.american.edu/ocl/activities/au\\_afterdark/index.html](http://www.american.edu/ocl/activities/au_afterdark/index.html)

#### b. American University Grant:

AU grants are offered to admitted students who demonstrate financial need. Grants may be offered in addition to an AU scholarship. Renewal Requirements: 2.00 cumulative grade point average and completion of 24 credit hours each academic year. Students must continue to demonstrate institutional financial need. AU undergraduate grants may not exceed eight semesters or 120 credit hours, whichever occurs first.

**For more information, please visit:**

<http://admissions.american.edu/public/contentPage/contentPage.asp?navID=21&parId=2096&docID=1956>

#### c. AU Alternative Break:

Trips are completely student-run, with a faculty or staff member accompanying each group. Earning academic credit is possible by completing an independent study project or other class requirements. The cost of the trips depend on the distance and length of the trip; domestic trips are around \$150- \$300, Latin America: \$750- \$1500, Asia and Africa: \$2000 and up. There is no financial aid, but many groups have had great success fundraising and students can get credit for the trip.

**For more information, please contact:**

Alternative Break Coordinator, Shoshanna Sumka

Email: [sumka@american.edu](mailto:sumka@american.edu)

Phone: 202-885-2684

Website: <http://www.american.edu/ocl/volunteer/altbreak/>

Stop by the office, the Community Service Center, Mary Graydon 273

#### d. AU President's Award:

The President's Award is the highest award for undergraduate students and is presented to a graduating senior whose accomplishments over the course of his/her undergraduate years are truly exceptional and reflect the highest ideals of American University. The President's Award winner receives \$1000 and an engraved medal which are presented at the recipient's Commencement ceremony.

**For more information please visit:**

<http://www.american.edu/universityawards/student/pres.html>

**e. IPCR Summer Research Position with Prof. Said:**

Prof. Said's office offers a summer research position with his office. This is a paid position. It is a great opportunity for any student in the IPCR field to learn more and earn money to help with your education.

Phone: 202-885-1632

E-mail: [asaid@american.edu](mailto:asaid@american.edu)

**f. Eagle Endowment:**

The very first initiative of its kind, the endowment awards grants up to \$1000 to students and student clubs demonstrating a need for the initial resources to propel an original idea into action. We then continue working with the recipient to turn their action into service by providing education on how to maintain success.

Please contact the Eagle Endowment at 202-885-1553 or e-mail

[EagleEndowment@american.edu](mailto:EagleEndowment@american.edu) for more information.

**Please visit the Eagle Endowment website at:**

<http://www.american.edu/ocl/volunteer/eagleendowment/about.html>

**g. Outstanding Scholarship at the Undergraduate Level:**

Student must have been admitted to a degree program as of September 2005. Requires demonstration of exceptional academic success, not only in terms of the academic record but also in contributions to the scholarly community, including outstanding research, publications, and competitive selection for participation in academic societies or conferences. This award includes \$500 as part of the recognition.

**For more information please visit:**

[http://www.american.edu/universityawards/student/ot\\_undergrad.html](http://www.american.edu/universityawards/student/ot_undergrad.html)

**h. Outstanding Service to the University Community:**

Student must have been admitted to a degree program as of September 2005. Requires demonstration of unique contributions as well as longevity of service benefiting the University community, whether through student government, public service, organizational leadership, or a combination of several categories. This award includes \$500 as part of the recognition.

**For more information, please visit:**

[http://www.american.edu/universityawards/student/univ\\_comm.html](http://www.american.edu/universityawards/student/univ_comm.html)

**i. Student Achievement Awards:**

Student must have been admitted to a degree program as of September 2005. Requires demonstration of unique contributions as well as service benefiting the University community, whether through student government, public service, organizational leadership, or a combination of several categories. Specific criteria for each of these 10 named awards can be found by clicking on the on-line application below. Each of these awards includes \$250 as part of the recognition.

**For more information, please visit:**

<http://www.american.edu/universityawards/student/achievement.htm>

**j. Work Studies and Part-Time Employment:**

There are also many work study (for those that qualify) and part-time jobs available to students that qualify in the IPCR division and the greater SIS community.

Work Study Phone: 202-885-6100

Human Resources Phone: 202-885-2591

Career Center: 202-885-1800

**For more information please visit:**

<http://admissions.american.edu/public/contentPage/contentPage.asp?navID=21&parId=328&docID=188>

## II. Graduate Student

### **a. GLC Reimbursement Program:**

The American University Graduate Leadership Council runs a GLC Reimbursement Program to help cover the cost of academic projects. These monies are designed for Graduate Students to be able to extend beyond the campus experience to sharpen their skills, add to their repertoire of knowledge, and to truly be prepared to change the world. No individual may receive more than \$500 per round.

**Round 1** Is for expenses incurred March 2nd to September 15th by October 1st

**Round 2** Is for expenses incurred September 16th to March 1st due by March 15

Visit <http://www.auglc.org/grants/> to download the necessary forms or contact the GLC at [glc@american.edu](mailto:glc@american.edu) or 202.885.2500.

### **b. Graduate Reimbursement Initiatives**

Reimbursement for activities and events attended by graduate students throughout any school term is available by completing and submitting the appropriate forms to the SIS Graduate Student Council.

**For more information please visit:**

[www.american.edu/sis/gsc](http://www.american.edu/sis/gsc) or [www.salinkau.com](http://www.salinkau.com) (Campus Organizations at AU)

**For problems or questions please contact:**

[sisgsc@gmail.com](mailto:sisgsc@gmail.com)

### **c. Hart A. Massey Graduate Fellowship:**

The Hart A. Massey Fellowship is awarded each academic year to one or more incoming Canadian students studying full-time at American University. The minimum award amount is \$1000. It is renewable for one year with satisfactory academic progress. This is a competitive award, and applicants must meet minimum University graduate admission requirements to be considered.

**The application deadline is February 1 for the following academic year.**

Phone: 202-885-1800

**Please visit here for the criteria and application:**

[http://www.american.edu/cas/admissions/docs/award\\_massey\\_03.pdf](http://www.american.edu/cas/admissions/docs/award_massey_03.pdf)

### **d. Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Prize:**

Presented annually by IPCR to one or two graduate students in IPCR who best represent the ideals and values of Mahatma Gandhi. \$2000 available annually. For more information, contact IPCR at 202.885.1622.

### **e. Merit-Based Assistance for New Graduate Students:**

The School of International Service offers merit-based awards to eligible new students upon notification of admission. Only full-time students are eligible to receive merit-based assistance. At the time of application, please indicate whether or not you wish to be considered for these awards. These awards normally are awarded for two years, provided the recipient follows American University academic regulations, and remains in "good standing."

**For more information, please visit:**

<http://american.edu/sis/admissions/graduate/finances.htm>

**f. Outstanding Scholarship at the Graduate Level:**

Student must have been admitted to a degree program as of September 2005. Requires a continued display of high quality academic work, as evidenced by the academic record, combined with outstanding scholarly contributions in the form of publications, distinguished research, conference participation, selection to academic societies, and other professional activity. Two recipients will receive this award which includes \$500 as part of the recognition.

**For more information, please visit:**

[http://www.american.edu/universityawards/student/ot\\_grad.html](http://www.american.edu/universityawards/student/ot_grad.html)

**g. United Methodist Graduate Scholarship:**

The United Methodist Graduate Scholarship is awarded each academic year to new full-time graduate students who have held membership in the United Methodist Church for at least two years, have strong academic skills, and are either U.S. citizens or permanent residents. The scholarship is applied to tuition charges. There is no stipend or service requirement. It is renewable for one year with satisfactory academic progress. This is a competitive award, and applicants must meet minimum University graduate admission requirements to be considered.

**The application deadline is February 1 for the following academic year.**

Phone: 202-885-1800

**For more information about the application process please visit:**

[http://www.american.edu/cas/admissions/docs/methodist\\_application.pdf](http://www.american.edu/cas/admissions/docs/methodist_application.pdf)

### III. Options for Faculty

**a. CTE Small Grants**

CTE began Small Grants in an effort to assist teaching professors with small purchases. Small Grants provides up to \$100 per professor per semester for anything related to your classes. This money can be used for purchases such food, event/museum tickets, software, books or guest lecturers for your class.

**For more information please visit:**

<http://www.american.edu/academic.depts/provost/teachingcenter/faculty/grants.html>

**b. Faculty Research Support Awards:**

As part of the university's commitment to support faculty research and creative work, the Faculty Research Award program is sponsored by the dean of academic affairs in consultation with the school/college deans. **Applications for Summer 2007 and AY 2007-08 awards are due in the office of academic affairs by Monday, January 30, 2007. Faculty should consult with their school/college dean regarding internal deadlines.**

The research award is designed to provide essential support, either time or funds, to enable faculty to achieve greater research productivity. This competition allows for an academic year course release or summer support. It permits applicants to submit a single request for funding a 12-month research agenda--that is, for activities which begin after graduation in the spring, and continue throughout the following academic year. Receipt of the award is contingent upon the faculty member's return to the university the following academic year. **For more information and the application please visit:**

[http://www.american.edu/academics/provost/dean/faculty/research\\_award.htm](http://www.american.edu/academics/provost/dean/faculty/research_award.htm)

**c. Faculty Support from SIS**

Each full-time faculty member in SIS is allocated \$1000 per fiscal year for conducting research, deliver papers, etc. Faculty are encouraged to utilize the University Travel Agent, Travel offices, Controller, Purchasing, travel program, travel agents (there are about 3).

**The AU fiscal year begins on May 1, and the deadline to claim this grant is April 14.**

To apply for these funds, contact Margo Thoresen at x1644 or [mithore@american.edu](mailto:mithore@american.edu)

## External Grants for Funding in Field of IPCR

### **I. Individual Funding Opportunities**

#### **a. International Peace Research Association Foundation**

Since 2002, when this Small Peace Research Fund was created, IPRAF has awarded grants up to \$3000 to help fund peace research projects in places as diverse as Argentina, Bosnia, inner city communities in the United States, the Middle East, the Philippines, the Punjab, and Uganda. Beginning in 2006, a maximum of three grants will be awarded per year.

**For Grant procedure, visit:** <https://www.iprafoundation.org/instructions.aspx>

**To complete an application, please visit:** <https://www.iprafoundation.org/application.aspx>

#### **b. The Institute for International Mediation and Conflict Resolution**

The Institute for International Mediation and Conflict Resolution (IIMCR) is a Washington, DC based, non-profit institution whose mission is to promote the use of peaceful conflict resolution techniques among a generation of future leaders through the design and implementation of unique programs and services. Scholarships and grants are given through Rotary World Peace, United States Institute of Peace, and the Foundation Center.

**For a complete list of scholarship and grant opportunities, please visit:**

<http://www.iimcr.org/index.cfm?pageID=5#b>

#### **c. IREX Fellowship**

The Short-Term Travel Grants program provides fellowships for up to eight weeks to US postdoctoral scholars and holders of other graduate degrees for independent or collaborative research projects in Europe and Eurasia. Fellowships are available to applicants who demonstrate how their research will make a substantive contribution to knowledge of the contemporary political, economic, historical, or cultural developments in the region and how such knowledge is relevant to US foreign policy. The US Department of State Title VIII Program, the primary source of support for the STG Program, supports research topics that strengthen the fields of Eurasian and East European studies, and that address US foreign policy interests in the region, broadly defined. Historical or cultural research that promotes understanding of current events in the region is acceptable if an explicit connection is made to policy relevant issues, broadly defined. Countries Eligible for Research are Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Kosovo, Macedonia, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Serbia and Montenegro, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan. The application deadline is February 1, 2007 for 2007-2008.

**Program information and application materials are available at:**

<http://www.irex.org/programs/stg/index.asp>

**Information about program and application details:** [stg@irex.org](mailto:stg@irex.org) or call (202) 628-8188

#### **c. Mershon Network of International Historians**

Since its founding in 2004, MNIH has served as a unique communications medium for scholars throughout the world. It aims to serve the community of scholars of European International history, to promote research and transnational collaboration by posting timely information on archives, conferences, publication opportunities, fellowships, and newly-published works. The Mershon Network awards several scholarships for students, fellowships and research grants, dissertation, and publication awards.

**For more information, a complete list of awards, and to complete applications visit:**

<http://www.mnih.org/prizes.htm>

### **d. World Bank Scholarship Program**

The World Bank Scholarship program sponsors graduate students who are from developing nations doing research or working in their own, or any other developing country. The Joint scholarship program is designed to fund individuals working in a development related field. Applicants must have demonstrated at least two years post-undergraduate work experience, and must be between ages 25 and 45 in order to be eligible for the scholarship.

**To reach the Scholarship Program department at the World Bank, please call:**

(202) 473-6849 or (202)473-1817

**To complete an application, visit:**

<http://www.worldbank.org>

- click on "Learning" tab

- click on "Scholarships"

- click "application forms" on left

**For more eligibility requirements, visit:**

<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/WBI/EXTWBISFP/EXTJJBWGSP/0,contentMDK:20287115~menuPK:562877~pagePK:64168445~piPK:64168309~theSitePK:551644,00.html>

## **II. Group Funding Opportunities**

### **a. Agape Foundation**

As part of its commitment to nonviolence, Agape prides itself on making its processes transparent. Agape supports grassroots, nonviolent, social change through its grant and loan programs. Although there are several options for funding from Agape, including emergency funding and loan foundations, the *Board of Trustees Grant* is the only grant given by Agape. The Agape Foundation's Board of Trustees grants twice a year, in April and October, to small, California based, grassroots organizations working for nonviolent social change. Criteria includes that the organization must be five years or younger, with an annual budget that does not exceed \$100,000.

**For more information and to complete an application, please visit:**

<http://www.agapefn.org/sec/s-gr/gr-main.html>

### **b. The National Endowment for Democracy**

The NED supports projects that promote political and economic freedom, a strong civil society, independent media, human rights, and the rule of law. The Endowment's flexible and efficient grants program is able to assist democratic activists in diverse situations, such as transitional countries where the goal is democratic consolidation, authoritarian countries where the goals are liberalization, and the protection of human rights. The Endowment is especially interested in proposals that originate with indigenous democratic groups. It is also interested in nonpartisan programs seeking to strengthen democratic values among all sectors of the democratic political spectrum. Note that the Endowment does not make grants to individuals.

**For further information please contact:**

National Endowment for Democracy:

1025 F Street, NW, Suite 800,

Washington, DC 20004, USA

202.378.9700 / Fax:202.378.9407

email: [info@ned.org](mailto:info@ned.org)

**For a complete list of grants and partnering organizations, please visit:**

<http://www.ned.org/grants/grants.html>

### III. Funding Opportunities for Individuals and Groups

#### **a. Alliance for Conflict Resolution**

The Alliance for Conflict Transformation. On ACT site you can find information on our current and past projects, and access the ACT Forums, one of the leading online resources for information on jobs, scholarships, grants and events in peace and conflict resolution, international development, humanitarian relief, human rights and related fields.

**To access ACT list of grants you must become a member. To become a member visit:**

<http://www.conflicttransformation.org/Home/careeropportunities/grants/tabid/150/Default.aspx>

Once you are a member you may access the grant listings directly.

#### **b. Organization of American States**

The OAS provides select procurement notices that individuals and groups are eligible to apply for. The lists will be updated periodically.

**For more information, please visit:**

<http://sangonet.org.za/portal/>

#### **c. Positive Universe Grant Opportunities**

Positive Universe provides a list of grant opportunities which are related to the peace and non-violent development work.

**For more information and updated lists of grant opportunities, please visit:**

<http://www.positiveuniverse.com/PeaceEducation/GrantOpportunities.html>

#### **f. Rotary International**

Rotary International is a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build peace and good will around the world. Several types of grants and funding opportunities are available. *Volunteer Service Grants* are a flat award of \$3,000 to an individual or \$6,000 to a team of up to five members. Applications *must* be received three months prior to departure and be complete for approval two months prior to departure. Eligibility for travelers is based on 1) a defined community need; 2) a need that can be met by the experience and skills of the Rotarians/team and 3) an understanding that the skills and experience are not available in the community.

**For more information and application please visit:**

<http://www.rotary.org/foundation/grants/vsg/index.html>

**For a complete list of funding opportunities and grants, please visit:**

<http://www.rotary.org/foundation/grants/index.html>

#### **g. United States Institute of Peace Grants and Fellowships**

The USIP works to bridge gaps between government, academia, organizations, and the media in finding creative approaches to prevent, manage, and resolve international conflict. Funding is available through the USIP in several ways.

The Grants Program provides grants to groups and individuals under two main categories: *Unsolicited Grants* fall within the mandate of the USIP's mandate. Main components include research, education, training, and peace and conflict work. *Solicited Grants* are given based upon work that is being done within countries supported by the USIP. (a complete list of countries is available on the USIP website) Solicited grants are available to NGO's, groups, and individuals; however, if a grant is received by an individual it must go through a non-

profit organization where the individual intends on working. All grants given by USIP are non-educational related.

The Fellowship Program provides two types of fellowships available to PhD students and working professionals. The *Jennings Randolph Fellowship* is a senior fellowship available to working practitioners, government officials, and other individuals who seek funding on conducting research on important issues concerning international peace and conflict while in residence through at the USIP. The *Peace Scholar Dissertation Fellowship* is given to PhD students at U.S. universities researching and writing doctoral dissertations on peace and conflict.

**For more information:**

United States Institute of Peace  
1200 17th Street NW Washington, DC 20036

Phone: (202)457-1700

**To complete an application, please visit:**

<http://www.usip.org/gf.html>

## **Helpful Search Engines and Databases:**

### **I. American University International Peace and Conflict Resolution Website**

The American University School of International Service and International Peace and Conflict Resolution provides a relevant and updated list of grants, fellowships, and awards on the IPCR website.

**For a complete list and more information, please visit:**

<http://www.aupeace.org/search/node/Grants>

### **II. The Carter Center**

The Carter Center is committed to advancing human rights and alleviating unnecessary human suffering. By resolving conflicts, strengthening democracy, and advancing human rights worldwide the Carter community wages peace, and fights disease by alleviating unnecessary suffering among the world's poorest and most forgotten people.

**To use the Carter Center search engine, please visit:**

<http://cartercenter.org/>

### **III. The Conflict Resolution Information Source**

The Conflict Resolution Information Source aims to create a network of organizations which are involved in conflict resolution. By using their website you may access their data base of organizations and foundations which provide grants and fellowship to students and individuals interested in working in peace and development work. On their website, search "Grants" to access their list of related funding opportunities.

**To learn more and access information please visit:**

<http://www.crinfor.org/>

#### **IV. Global Development Learning Network**

The Global Development Learning Network (GDLN) is a global partnership of learning centers (GDLN Affiliates) that offer the use of advanced information and communication technologies to connect people working in development around the world. GDLN Affiliates enable organizations, teams, and individuals around the world to communicate, share knowledge, and learn from each others' experiences in a timely and cost-effective manner.

**For more information, please visit:**

<http://www.gdln.org/>

#### **V. SANGONeT**

SANGONeT is a search engine that provides a list of requests for proposals and grants for peace and development work. SANGONeT specifically works as a development information portal for work done by NGO's in South Africa. One of SANGONeT's primary objectives is to provide a gateway to the South African NGO sector.

**For more information, please visit:**

<http://sangonet.org.za/portal/>

#### **VI. Search for Common Ground**

The Search for Common Ground community works with local partners to find culturally appropriate means to strengthen societies' capacity to deal with conflicts constructively: to understand the differences and act on the commonalities. Search for Common Ground works to transform the way the world deals with conflict away from adversarial approaches and towards collaborative problem solving.

**For more information, please visit:**

<http://www.searchforcommonground.org/>