Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies
East Asian Languages and Area Studies Fellowship

One fellowship that will include a tuition and fee waiver\(^1\) plus a stipend of up to $10,000 is available to graduate students at the University of Illinois.

Eligibility:
- Currently enrolled as a graduate student OR enrolling in a graduate program at the University of Illinois in the 2015-16 academic year.
- Enrolled (or applied for enrollment) in a program that combines modern foreign language (Chinese, Japanese, or Korean) with international or area studies, or research and training in the international aspects of professional or other fields of study.
- An advanced learner (non-native speaker) of an East Asian language.

Fellowship Requirements
- You must be enrolled full time (twelve credit hours) each semester.
- You must register for approved language courses and one relevant area studies course per semester (Independent Studies will not be approved).
- You cannot have more than 25% GA or RA appointment in addition to the fellowship.
- You will be required to take language assessment tests both at the beginning and end of the fellowship term.
- You will be required to complete an on-line periodic evaluation of the program beginning the semester after your award. This evaluation will be conducted no more frequently than once a year.

Fellowship Selection Criteria
- Academic achievement.
- Current enrollment in the intermediate level in the language you propose to study during the fellowship term.
- Demonstrated commitment and intent to use the language and area studies knowledge in future studies and/or professional career.
- Three letters of reference.

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\(^1\) Tuition and fee waivers are only available to students in participating units and program. For more information about COST RECOVERY, SELF-SUPPORTING AND REIMBURSABLE PROGRAMS that do not honor the tuition and fee waiver, please see the Graduate College Handbook: http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook/costrec-selfsupport
How to Apply:
Please send the following documents via email as PDF documents to Elizabeth Oyler at eaoyler@illinois.edu

1. **Statement of Purpose** (2 page maximum).
   The Statement of Purpose should include a brief statement describing how the proposed language and area studies courses taken during the fellowship year will contribute to your future study and/or professional goals.

2. **Three Letters of Reference.** One must be from your academic advisor and one from your current or most recent language instructor and address your language ability. The third can be provided by a person of your choice. Most students select a professor or instructor with whom they have studied or taken courses; this individual should be able to speak to your aptitude for the fellowship.

3. **Graduate and undergraduate transcripts**, including the Fall, 2015 semester, for current graduate students (Illinois and any other schools you have attended). Undergraduate transcript (and graduate transcripts if applicable) for incoming graduate students. Scanned copies and unofficial reports are acceptable.

**Application Deadline: February 15, 2016**

For any questions, please contact:
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