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### I. Financial Aid

### XAVIER UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL AMBASSADOR TUITION WAIVERS

Xavier University, located in Cincinnati, Ohio, is one of 28 Jesuit colleges and Universities in the United States. The English as a Second Language (ESL) Program provides instruction and academic training for international students who intend to enter American universities or improve their ability to use English for professional purposes. Each calendar year, up to five new international students are selected on a competitive basis from those who have completed the advanced level of the ESL Program and enroll as undergraduate students at Xavier.

International Ambassadors receive a 50% reduced tuition rate and participate in service roles on campus. The students do not work or receive a paycheck, but their service placements ensure that they interact with students, faculty, and other campus staff in meaningful ways. The reduced tuition rate scholarship applies for 8 semesters, or until graduation, whichever comes first. All other school fees and living expenses are the responsibility of the student. **For more information, please visit:** http://bit.ly/XgjHE0

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### VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

Vanderbilt University offers undergraduate programs in the liberal arts and sciences, engineering, music, education and human development, as well as a full range of graduate and professional degrees.

Vanderbilt University welcomes all interested international students to apply for our merit-based scholarships. All merit-based scholarships offered at Vanderbilt are full tuition scholarships with at least one \$5,000 stipend and are renewable through four years of undergraduate study as long as the recipient maintains satisfactory academic performance. **For more information, please visit:** <u>http://bit.ly/YEtjaw</u>













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### UNIVERISTY OF IOWA MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

Established in 1847, lowa has won international recognition for its wealth of achievements in the arts, sciences, and humanities. lowa was the first U.S. public university to admit men and women on an equal basis and the first institution of higher education in the nation to accept creative work in theater, writing, music, and art as theses for advanced degrees. It established the first law school and the first educational radio station west of the Mississippi, broadcast the world's first educational television programs, and developed and continues to hold preeminence in educational testing.

A variety of scholarships are awarded by the Office of Admissions to first-year and transfer students. Students are automatically considered for some scholarships upon admission to the University and others require a separate application. The deadline is approaching for qualified first-year students to apply for the University of Iowa's largest merit-based scholarship. **For more information, please visit:** <u>http://bit.ly/SXfJuQ</u>



## CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

Striking a balance between urban excitement and rural charm, Cal Poly Pomona is nestled in 1,438 rolling acres on the eastern edge of Los Angeles County. As one of only seven polytechnic universities nationwide, Cal Poly Pomona is known for its learn-by-doing philosophy. The university recognizes that students who solve classroom problems today have an advantage as employees solving real-world problems tomorrow.

Cal Poly Pomona is proud to offer twenty \$1500 scholarships to high achieving international students applying for the Fall 2013 term! The deadline to apply for Fall 2013 admission is November 30, 2012. Applicants do not need to complete a separate scholarship application. Scholarship recipients will be selected based on the overall admissions application. **For more information, please visit:** <u>http://bit.ly/RWLDGb</u>





### MARGARET MCNAMARA MEMORIAL FUND GRANTS FOR WOMEN

The Margaret McNamara Memorial Fund (MMMF) provides grants to women from developing countries to help further their education and strengthen their leadership skills to improve the lives of women and children in developing countries.

For students from developing countries who are currently studying in the United States, the MMMF awards grants of approximately \$12,000 each; grants are not renewable. The MMMF also typically invites the recipients to Washington DC to participate in a three day Awards Program organized in their honor.

For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/PXhdlQ







### WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY MBA SCHOLARSHIPS

Willamette University's MBA and Executive Education programs provide managers at all levels with the tools needed for successful careers in business, government and not-for-profit organizations.

All applicants admitted to a full-time format of the Willamette MBA program are automatically considered for merit-based scholarships. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of merit as measured by GMAT or GRE scores, undergraduate cumulative grade point average and experience (the TOEFL score is also considered for international applicants). Applicants interested in maximum consideration for scholarship assistance are urged to complete the application process as soon as possible. **For more information, please visit:** http://bit.ly/RRdgR1

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS

Western Kentucky University prepares students to be productive, engaged, and socially responsible citizen leaders of a global society. It provides research, service and lifelong learning opportunities for its constituents. WKU is responsible for stewarding a high quality of life for those within its reach.

Western Kentucky University offers tuition scholarships to all qualified international graduate students. Scholarship awards are based on merit, need, and institutional priorities and may reach as much as a 45% reduction of tuition costs. Students must submit GRE (or GMAT) scores to be considered for these scholarships. Following acceptance into a graduate program, the scholarship amount will be determined and stated on the I20 issued to the applicant. All scholarships will continue for the duration of the program provided the student stays continuously enrolled and makes satisfactory academic progress. WKU may however, adjust the value of the scholarship to reflect changes in tuition. Tuition rates are evaluated annually. **For more information, please visit**: <u>http://bit.ly/SKVoKF</u>

### II. Campus News

### SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY HOSTS ONE WORLD CONCERT

Syracuse University has a long tradition of providing an environment in which students from diverse backgrounds come together to create,

explore, and grow. Building on its rich history of innovation, the University continues to stretch the imagination and possibilities for all of its students, who represent some of the most promising and gifted students from more than 100 countries and all 50 U.S. states.

The Dalai Lama thrilled a crowd of 24,000 at the Oct. 9 One World Concert with his messages of compassion, understanding and peace. A star-studded cast of international artists followed, performing at the Carrier Dome and ending the historic "Common Ground For Peace" event on a high note. Even though audience members were diverse in background, age, and ethnicity, they equally shared the anticipation and excitement to witness an extraordinary event. Full video recordings of morning and afternoon panel discussions at Syracuse University featuring His Holiness the Dalai Lama are now available for viewing online.









Full Sail University's students produce creative, industry-related work as part of their curriculum in preparation for a future in the entertainment and media industry!



Integrated with WordPress, the site gives the organization complete control over updating their own content. Combining a greater social interaction to the organization, specific content and events are also mirrored on Facebook and Twitter, allowing fans the ability to register and participate. **For more information, please visit:** http://bit.ly/SKTbPz



# UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA CELEBRATES INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

The University of Florida International Center will host International Education Week events from November 12 - 16 in collaboration with partners across campus to celebrate the benefits of worldwide education and exchange.

This joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education is part of UF's effort to promote programs that engage the UF community through global learning, discovery and extension opportunities through the world.

UF's theme, "Picture Yourself Connecting with the World!" focuses on the opportunities available to every individual in the diverse local community as well as communities around the world. **For more information, please visit:** <u>http://bit.ly/T98qjR</u>

### WASHBURN UNIVERSITY TARGETS FOREIGN STUDENTS WITH NEW LAW PROGRAM

The Washburn University Board of Regents voted Thursday evening to launch a new law program to encourage international students to study U.S. law. The master's of law, or LL.M, in global legal studies is expected to start in 2014, pending approval from the Kansas Board of Regents. It would offer students the chance to study American commercial, corporate and public law, among other concentrations. Those aiming for academic careers back home could receive training at Washburn in teaching law.

Thomas Romig, Dean of the Washburn School of Law, said ideal enrollment would be 10 to 20 students a year. Applications to the Washburn Law School fell by 30 percent this year, hit by a nationwide drop in students aspiring to earn law degrees in a difficult economy. **For more information, please visit:** <u>http://bit.ly/RJBRur</u>

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