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Barber School of Arts and Sciences
International Education Travel Subsidy – 2011/2012

OBJECTIVE: The Barber School of Arts and Sciences at the University of British Columbia Okanagan has established a travel subsidy program with the aim of increasing opportunities for graduate and undergraduate students to gain experiential learning related to their studies in an international setting. The goal is to enable students to become global citizens and to promote a civil and sustainable society.

The program will fund educational opportunities that are of the highest scholarly quality, in particular, those that are best enabled by visiting a certain international locale or by interacting with others at an organized venue outside Canada or the United States. Travel activities should provide a dynamic learning environment as well as an opportunity for students to work at projects that address the Founding Principles of the Barber School of Arts and Sciences.

Examples of eligible activities:

- You lead (volunteer overseas programmes)
- International UBC (Okanagan or Vancouver Campus) field studies
- Work experiences abroad similar to co-op

Examples of ineligible activities:

- Any student exchange; for example, go global
- Courses offered by other universities
- Courses/workshops abroad

Questions relative to the eligibility of an activity should be addressed prior to applying.

AWARD: Up to \$4,000 per student. Students are required to fund raise a portion of expenses from external (non-UBC) monies (e.g., private contributions; application to other agencies such as foundations, companies, governments, or non-government organisations), and the Barber Endowment will provide matching funds on a 2:1 basis (\$2 for every \$1 raised externally) up to a maximum of \$4,000. Faculty research grants are not eligible sources for the match. Travel subsidies are awarded on a competitive basis. Allocation of the subsidies will depend on,

- quality of the proposal,
- the level of educational enrichment expected,
- exceptionality, originality, and value of the experience,
- reinforcement of the Barber School Founding Principles.

ELIGIBILITY: All graduate and undergraduate students in good academic standing and enrolled in a Barber School degree program are eligible to apply. However, eligible students must return to **full-time studies** at UBC Okanagan (defined as at least three 3-credit courses for undergraduates or full-time graduate program enrolment) after completion of their international activities for at least one academic term. Group applications are possible, but only eligible students will be funded. Both individual and group activities must be monitored by a faculty member who will oversee the project. Students can only be granted this subsidy one time during their tenure at UBC Okanagan.

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS: Proposals should be submitted on the application form. Proposals should describe the activity in detail and discuss how the activity will make the individual into a better global citizen.

Proposals must:

1. outline the educational objectives of the activities and indicate how those objectives will be accomplished
2. address explicitly all applicable Founding Principles of the Barber School
3. articulate the benefit of the activity to the student(s) participating in the activity and the broader population of students in the I.K. Barber School
4. establish an itinerary, milestones and a timeline for deliverables of the activity
5. include an evaluation plan upon which the success of the learning outcomes will be judged
6. discuss how the outcomes of the activity will be disseminated to others

The proposal must also contain supporting documentation that includes a detailed budget including an explicit statement of the funds being requested from the subsidy, a schedule of proposed activities, and a short letter of support from a faculty member(s) who has (have) agreed to monitor the activity. The letter should discuss expected learning outcomes that arise as a consequence of the activity as well as a statement of how the project will fit into the students' long-term objectives and aspirations. Supporting letters from external persons of note that attest to the student's industry and integrity are recommended.

EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS: When possible, two members of the Endowment Fund Advisory Committee will co-chair the International Educational Travel Subsidy (IETS) sub-committee, which will be responsible for making recommendations to the Dean of the IK Barber School about which proposals merit funding. The sub-committee membership will include other faculty members, staff and students, but will have no more than 6 members in total (including the co-chairs). The Dean has final authority over awards.

REPORTING: One or more of the following reporting mechanisms must be met and agreed upon before the subsidy is awarded. Upon return, the student will typically be required to write a detailed summary of the experience, including a statement of finances which will be presented to the supervising faculty member and the Barber Endowment Fund Advisory Committee. The student will also give a poster and/or oral presentation at the annual International Day on campus, or another event that will be designated for other Barber Endowment grant recipients

As part of the student's dissemination of outcomes, we will be asking the student to take along a flip camera provided by the Barber School to record some of his/her experiences. Upon completion of the trip, the camera, along with a selection of photos and one or more videos documenting the student's experience must be returned to the Barber School. Examples of past

videos can be viewed at:

<http://www.ubc.ca/okanagan/ikbarberschool/teaching/subsidy/videos.html>.

The footage and images you provide will be used on the Barber School website and may be used in other university materials to promote student opportunities.

TERM: January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. Awarded annually by application.

Application Deadline: Submit by **November 1, 2011** to Couleen Maryschuk, ASC413.

Successful applicants will be notified by December 1st, 2011.

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