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The World Affairs Council of Kentucky and Southern Indiana

The David Hershberg Scholarship For Summer Study Abroad

WHAT: The Board of Directors of the **World Affairs Council of Kentucky & Southern Indiana** is pleased to announce the **David Hershberg Scholarship** for international study in the summer of **2010**.

Scholarship **funds of up to \$2,000** can be used to help defray the costs of international travel, lodging, and maintenance for a period of at least 21 days of study or research outside the United States.

WHY: The **purpose** of this award is (1) to enable the recipient to have an international experience of at least 21 days outside the United States as part of his/her educational development and (2) to provide an opportunity for the recipient to further his/her knowledge of cultures, languages, and societies in other parts of the world.

WHO: **Eligibility** for this grant is limited to any degree seeking student currently enrolled in a degree program at any accredited institution of higher learning in Metro Louisville and contiguous counties in Kentucky and Indiana. It is also available to any degree-seeking student whose permanent residence is in the same area and attends an accredited institution of higher learning outside the area.

This grant has been established by the **World Affairs Council of Kentucky & Southern Indiana**, an organization whose mission is to improve intercultural understanding through collaboration, coalition-building, diversified programming, and increased community

involvement. A selection committee will evaluate applications on the basis of academic merit and the importance of study abroad for the personal, intellectual, and professional development of the candidate

WHEN: Applications will be accepted after **January 1, 2010** with an **Application deadline of February 19, 2010**

Awards will be announced about **March 15, 2010** for educational activities to take place between May and September 2010.

HOW: To apply for The David Hershberg Scholarship, candidates must submit **all** appropriate documentation to WAC **which is to be received by no later than 4:00 pm on February 19, 2010.**

Three (3) copies of each of the following materials are required:

Applications that do not have all requested material by February 19, 2010 will be considered ineligible for the award.

- a **resume** indicating relevant academic and work experience, and any previous international study; Resume must contain name and both current and permanent address, email address and phone numbers. Clearly label which address is to be used for contact.
- a **personal statement** (maximum 500 words) explaining the reasons for wishing to study abroad and outlining what the candidate hopes to achieve by participating in this program .
- a description of the **educational activities** to be pursued during the summer, e.g., a language study program, work internship, course enrollment, or research project;
- a **travel itinerary and estimated budget**, specifying additional sources of funding to which he/she will have access and/or for which he/she intends to apply;
- **two (2) letters of recommendation**, at least one of which should be provided by an academic advisor on university letterhead. These letters must be submitted in a sealed envelope and sent separately by the instructor or person recommending the student to the address below; please note that letters of recommendation must be received by **February 19, 2010**. Faxed or e-mailed letters will **NOT** be accepted.

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Also have sent by the university(s):

- An **official transcript** issued from the registrar of the university the candidate currently attends and from any other schools attended within the last twelve months. Mailed from the university(s) in a sealed envelope to the address below.

WHERE: Send all completed applications, letters of recommendation and official transcripts to:

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ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND:

The Hershberg Scholarship Awards are made possible thanks to a generous gift from the Hershberg family to the World Affairs Council. The award is established in the memory of David Hershberg, a Louisville educator, mentor for thousands of students, and guiding force in the creation and development of the Louisville International Cultural Center (now the World Affairs Council of Kentucky/Southern Indiana). Dr. Hershberg was a career faculty member in Romance Languages at the University of Louisville, and was a key part of the initial group that formed the Louisville International Cultural Center. He served as Executive Director of the Center, and as a member of its Board of Directors until his death in December of 2002. He was an exceptional teacher and leader and was particularly known for his dedication to his students and their development.

For more information, visit the Web site: www.worldkentucky.org
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