Graduate Student Learning Opportunities with The Carter Center Application

IDN promotes graduate student learning by linking academic study with practical experience in the field with our partner, The Carter Center. From time to time, opportunities for experiences with The Carter Center arise. The purpose of this funding is to enable graduate students to take advantage of these opportunities which might include but are not limited to, short-term assignments, such as election monitoring, and summer research work that fulfills a programmatic need. It is expected that students who receive funding will be able to work and function independently in countries where The Carter Center works and that they will make a demonstrable contribution to the Center’s work. Opportunities tend to arise on an ad hoc basis. To find out if opportunities are available, students should contact IDN at (idn@emory.edu or keisha.haywood@emory.edu).

Awards range from $2000 - $3500 depending on the kind of opportunity involved (short-term vs. summer). IDN grants may be combined with other Emory funding as long as total Emory funding does not exceed $5000. Students may use IDN funds toward the cost of international airfare, housing, food, local transportation, visas and vaccinations. Students may receive funding from IDN only one time. Students conducting research that requires IRB approval must receive approval before beginning their project.

The application deadline is April 5, 2015 for summer experiences; applications for short-term learning opportunities must be received no later than three weeks prior to the proposed departure date. Applicants for summer funding are required to attend the Global Health Institute course focusing on cultural sensitivity, health, and safety issues before working abroad (www.globalhealth.emory.edu).

Eligibility

- Emory graduate and professional school students with a minimum GPA of 3.0 are eligible to apply
- Applicants must be pre-registered and enrolled at Emory for the semester following field experience
- Applicants must have prior research experience/appropriate coursework and/or have participated in a relevant independent project
- Proficiency in the project country's primary language is preferred, but not required
Requirements

- Provide deliverables specified by The Carter Center program
- Trip report for IDN/The Carter Center
- Research report (if applicable) for IDN/The Carter Center
- Short description of project and results (300-400 words) for IDN website
- At least two work-related photographs
- If there is co-funding, there may be additional requirements from the other funding source
- Students are required to register with ISOS (in some countries ISOS requires additional coverage)

Application Components

1. Application coversheet (see the last page of this document)

2. One page summary of what you will be doing with The Carter Center including:
   - Program you will be working with
   - Program supervisor
   - Description of your responsibilities
   - Duration of the experience

3. Learning Objectives
   - What skills, knowledge, and experience do you hope to gain as a result of this experience?

4. Career Goals Statement
   - How does the experience relate to your career goals?

5. Budget
   - Provide line items for the following (please be very specific):
     - International travel costs
     - In-country costs
     - Source of additional funding (if any)

6. Letters of Invitation and Support
   - Letter of invitation from the director, associate director or assistant director of the Carter Center program you will be working with. This letter should include a description of what you will be doing, who your immediate supervisor or field contact will be, and the duration of the experience;
• A letter of support from a faculty mentor addressing the academic preparation you bring to the experience, your ability to work effectively in the specific location and how this experience will contribute to your educational goals;  
  *Please note that proposals that are not supported by the above letters will be automatically rejected.*

7. Current resume or CV

**Evaluation Criteria**

Each application will be evaluated by a review committee based on the following criteria:

• Quality and feasibility of the application
• Commitment as indicated by a well-thought-out plan and arrangements to obtain additional funds to support the experience
• Evidence of project support from Carter Center program staff
• Faculty recommendation
• Relevance to career objectives
IDN Graduate Student Learning Application Coversheet

Biographical Information

Last name:
First name:
Current mailing address:
Email:
Telephone number:

Emergency Contact 1:

Name:
Address:
Telephone number:
Email:
Relation:

Emergency Contact 2:

Name:
Address:
Telephone number:
Email:
Relation:

Institutional Information

School:
Program:
Advisor:
Advisor email:
Current GPA:

Expected Graduation Date:

Are you pre-registered for courses next semester? ○ Yes ○ No

Please provide advising document with following semester’s course schedule.

Will you be using this experience to fulfill a practicum requirement? ○ Yes ○ No

_Carter Center experience information_

Carter Center program:

Supervisor:

Description:

_Please submit the entire application to Keisha Haywood at keisha.haywood@emory.edu._

_Good luck!_