UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
APPLICATION FOR NEW INTERNATIONAL
STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS 2016–2017

The priority deadline of applications for new international student scholarships for the academic year 2016-17 is January 25, 2016. The final deadline is March 1, 2016. If you file your application after this date, please note that we will accept and process requests until our funds are exhausted.

Please read the instructions and complete this application carefully and thoroughly. This scholarship form is used for multiple scholarships available through International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) at the University of Minnesota. Scholarship recipients will be selected by the ISSS scholarship committee based on the information submitted here and with consideration of the applicant’s financial need. Information provided on this application is subject to verification. The scholarship options are listed below. Please check which scholarships you are interested in applying for and fill in the remaining sections to the best of your ability.

Available scholarship options:

☐ Thomas Shen Scholarship - available for international students, preference for students of Chinese origin
☐ Juwaid U. and Helen Z. Elahi Legacy Fund Scholarship - available for new international students
☐ Student Engagement and Leadership Scholarship – for new international students wanting to engage in on-campus cultural and leadership programming (please see last page for programming details).

Submit each of the items below with your application for scholarship. Incomplete applications will not be considered:

☐ Letter of recommendation from guidance counselor or EducationUSA advisor
☐ Completed biographic information (see Section 1) and essays (see Section 2)

Please submit your completed application via e-mail to Chelsea Keeney, Coordinator for International Recruitment, at passport@umn.edu. Applicants will be notified of the decision by March 31, 2016. An email notification will be sent to your official University email address (student@umn.edu). Full scholarship details will be included in the award letter. These details include: award amount, length of award and other terms. Generally, scholarships are renewed for students who meet the eligibility criteria.

Eligibility Criteria:

Meeting these criteria does not guarantee that you will receive ISSS funding. International students on F-1 or J-1 student visas may apply for ISSS scholarships under the following conditions only:

• You must be admitted to and enrolled full-time in a degree program at the U of MN at the time of award disbursement
• You must be in legal F-1 or J-1 student visa status
• Maintain satisfactory academic progress toward completion of your degree
• Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above
• Maintain consecutive term enrollment

You have the right to

• Privacy of information regarding your scholarship application
• Discuss your financial concerns with an adviser

You have a responsibility to

• Submit a complete application and all required materials to ISSS by the designated deadline
• Submit any additional documents that are requested by the ISSS scholarship committee
SECTION 1: BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Full Name

Last First Middle

University ID Number ___________________________ Email Address ___________________________

Country of Citizenship ___________________________ Date of Birth ___________________________

Month/Date/Year

Mailing Address ____________________________________________

Street Address

City ___________________________ State/Province/Region ___________________________ Zip or Postal Code ___________________________

Country

Phone (home) ___________________________ Phone (cell) ___________________________

Major

Gender □ Male □ Female □ Other (please write) ___________________________ □ Prefer not to disclose

Marital Status □ Single □ Married □ Divorced □ Other ___________________________

If married, please answer the following questions:

If your spouse in the U.S.? □ Yes □ No

Is your spouse a student? □ Yes □ No

Do you have any children in the U.S.?

□ Yes (indicate number) ___________________________ Were they born in the U.S.? □ Yes □ No

□ No, I do not have any children

□ My child is/my children are not in the U.S.

SECTION 2: ESSAY QUESTIONS

Please answer all of the following essay questions and submit on a separate document.

1. Why would you like to attend the University of Minnesota? What would you contribute to our campus if selected for admission?

2. How do you plan to fund your studies in the United States? What impact would this scholarship have on your ability to obtain a degree in the United States?

3. What are your plans after graduating from the University of Minnesota?
4. Please complete the following table to document available funds (financial support from family, personal savings, loans, sponsorships, scholarships, etc.) and your need for financial assistance. For example, if you have $20,000 of personal funds for tuition and fees, enter $20,000 in “Available Funds,” personal in “Source of Funds,” and add $3,038 to “Remaining Expense.” Please add all amounts in “Remaining Expense” at the bottom.

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**DETAILS OF THE STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP**

**Mission Statement**
The Student Engagement and Leadership Scholarship is dedicated to helping international students in financial need develop their leadership skills, increase their sense of belonging and encourage global citizenship.

**What are the components of the Student Leadership and Engagement Scholarship during the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th year?**

- Peer and staff mentoring through the 2nd year
- Leadership advising support all 4 years
- Member of International Student Ambassadors for 4 years
- Students will complete 4 high impact (internships, on-campus work, research, learning abroad, etc. engagement activities over the 4 years
- Students must submit a Culture Corps SLP Plan each year to the ISSS Culture Corps office.

**First Year:** Preparing student for success at the UofM  
**Second Year:** Nurturing student’s leadership potential  
**Third Year:** Developing and implementing high impact projects in student’s interest areas  
**Fourth Year:** Supporting continued student contribution