International Student House Scholarship Application
Fall 2015

International Student House (ISH) of Washington, DC is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization. Over 10,000 international scholars representing more than 140 countries, including the US, have lived at ISH since our founding in 1936. We strive to be the model international community and our mission is “soft diplomacy” at its best. Our resident scholars are high-caliber academics whose unique cross-cultural experience at ISH helps prepare them for their future leadership roles in the public and private sectors of their home countries. ISH instills a spirit of international cooperation and open exchange of ideas that fosters an understanding and appreciation of U.S. culture, government, and business. Our goal is to lay the foundations for long-term and long-distance global relationships that are realized when scholars return home to their countries and, in many cases, begin careers in the public or private sector eventually leading to prominent positions in their chosen fields.

ISH works with area universities to identify incoming students with academic promise and financial need. Care is taken to maintain the geographic and ethnic diversity criterion that has been a hallmark of ISH since its inception. Scholarship applications are reviewed by the Board of Director’s Scholarships Committee.

Eligibility requirements may vary, but candidates must meet the following criteria:

- Be 21 years or older;
- Possess an unconditional offer of acceptance by one of the area academic institutions for Master’s or Doctoral degree courses;
- Demonstrate financial need and academic promise;
- Be a current resident or a prospective resident of ISH by submitting an application through the standard housing application process found on our website (www.ishdc.org)
  - Please note, the Scholarship application is a different process than the ISH housing application. Both must be completed to be considered for a scholarship award.

Scholarship funding sources are gifts from individual donors and grants from foundations and corporations. If you are selected to receive a scholarship you may be asked to personally thank the donor and/or foundation that contributed to the ISH scholarship fund. In addition we will ask you to prepare a final report at the end of your stay at ISH outlining the impact the scholarship had on your ability to concentrate on your studies and professional career objectives.

ISH awards partial scholarships of up to $2,500 to several students each fall semester (September 1st – December 31st) and spring semester (January 1st- May 31st). Awards are divided over the months of each semester which covers nearly1/3 to 1/2 of the resident rent which can range from $1,200 to $1,700 per month. Full residential scholarships may be awarded, under exceptional circumstances, as a supplement to personal or national resources available to the student. Awards are given to both international and American students, who do not have the financial resources to live at the House.

A complete application for the scholarship will include:
1. Completed application for assistance including a personal statement (DUE June 1st).
2. Recommendation of academic merit and financial need from your university.
3. Completed ISH housing application including the submission of the $35 application fee.
## Application Timeline

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<td>Application Materials Due</td>
<td>June 1st by 5pm</td>
<td>Deliver to: New applicants: Your University representative Renewing applicants: ISH Scholarship Committee (<a href="mailto:scholarships@ishdc.org">scholarships@ishdc.org</a>)</td>
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<td>Scholarship Committee Meeting</td>
<td>June 1st through June 15th</td>
<td>Scholarship Committee calls for interviews for in town applicants. Recommends awards.</td>
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<td>Award Notification Emails</td>
<td>June 30th</td>
<td>All scholarship applicants will be notified by June 30th if they have been awarded a scholarship or not.</td>
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<td>Statement of Agreements Due</td>
<td>July 15th</td>
<td>Upon notification of your award, you will be required to sign a Statement of Agreement outlining various requirements as an award recipient.</td>
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<td>Scholarship Disbursements Begin</td>
<td>September 1st</td>
<td>All scholarships will being on September 1st. Your total award will be divided into equal amounts</td>
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<td>Reapplication Materials Available</td>
<td>November 1st</td>
<td>To be considered for spring scholarship, you must provide documentation you are still enrolled full time at your university and a reflection paper of how you have contributed to the ISH Community thus far.</td>
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<td>Scholarship Disbursements End</td>
<td>December 31st</td>
<td>All scholarship disbursements will end for the fall semester.</td>
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2015-2016 Application for assistance at the
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT HOUSE

Name: ____________________________________________ ____________________________________________
Last                   First                   M.I.

Email Address:__________________________________________________________

Circle one: U.S. Citizen / International Student

Permanent Address:
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

Phone Number: + ____________________________

Program: (please circle one) MA / MIPP / PHD / CERTIFICATE Other: ____________________________

Enrollment status for the 2015-2016 academic year (please check):
Full-time _____ Half-time _____ Less than half-time _____ ___

Anticipated Degree Completion Date: Month ____________ Year ____________

Loan History
Please list the total amount of education loans you have borrowed to date:

Federal Stafford $ __________________
Federal Perkins $ __________________
Private Loans $ __________________
Other $ __________________

Current Fellowship Assistance
Please list in detail, the total amount of fellowship assistance you are receiving from institutional and/or external sources:

Institutional Support: Total Amount $ __________________
Please specify the source of the amount listed above (may be multiple sources):

________________________________________________________________________

External Support: Total Amount $ __________________
Please specify the source of the amount listed above (may be multiple sources):

________________________________________________________________________

Are you currently working, or plan to work on or off campus? (please circle one)    Yes or   No
If yes: How many hours per week are you or will you dedicate to this position? ____________
How much are you or estimate you will earn per month? $ __________________
Personal Statement:
Please describe why you are applying for housing assistance through the International Student House and what it would mean if you received a scholarship. Please include any extenuating circumstances: (300 words or less)