

FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND AREAS STUDIES (FLAS) FELLOWSHIP!

Learn an African Language with FLAS Fellowship!

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Fellowships for graduate and undergraduate studies in African languages and area studies are available through the African Studies Center, provided by a grant from the U.S. Department of Education. They are designed for American (or permanent resident) students who plan to utilize a modern foreign language in their future careers, which could include teaching in secondary or higher education in the U.S., serving the U.S. government, working for an international organization, or working for a private organization which contributes to international understanding.

FLAS fellows may accept additional funding as long as there is no duplication of funds. In this context, no duplication of funds means:

- Institutional payments (tuition and fees) are calculated based on the actual cost of tuition and fees, and each program's contribution remains within the maximum limit set for each program. Funds should supplement and not overlap each other.
- Fellows may receive the full stipend amounts from multiple fellowship programs, except in some cases where more than one fellowship is from a federal source.

Examples: Other Funding, Non-federal

An academic year graduate student receives a Teaching Assistantship from the institution that covers 100% of tuition/fees and provides a \$10,000/year stipend. In this case, the student would receive \$0 of FLAS funding for tuition/fees and a full FLAS stipend of \$20,000/year.

	TUITION & FEES	STIPEND	
Teaching Assistantship	100%	\$10,000	
FLAS	None (The amount is limited to actual costs, and no costs remains.)	Full FLAS amount \$20,000/year	
TOTAL	100% covered by TA-ship	\$30,000 = \$10,000 from TA-ship and \$20,000 from FLAS	



ТҮРЕ	TUITION & FEES	STIPEND	TOTAL
Undergraduate	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$15,000
Graduate	\$18,000	\$20,000	\$38,000
Summer (All Students)	\$5,000	\$3,500	\$8,500*

*Summer awards may also include travel awards of up to \$1,000 (in addition to the \$8,500 toward tuition, fees, and stipend)

FLAS Eligibility Requirements

FLAS Fellowship applicants must:

- Be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States.
- Be a full-time student as defined by MSU.
- Be at the intermediate or advanced level of African language study. Graduate students may engage in beginner-level study, but only if:
 - The student already has advanced proficiency in another language related to the student's field of study; and
 - Learning the new language is required for the student's overall training and expertise.
 - Graduate students may enroll in beginner-level summer programs abroad ONLY IF equivalent instruction is not available in the U.S.

More Eligibility Requirements

- "Regular" Academic Year Award: Students must take at least one language course and one area studies course per semester.
- "Dissertation Research Abroad" Award: Only doctoral candidates qualify for this type of award. Doctoral candidates must be at the advanced level of the language. Research abroad projects must provide fellow with intensive training equivalent to a full AY of formal classroom instruction.
- "Dissertation Writing at Home" Award: Only doctoral candidates qualify for this type of award. Doctoral candidates must be finished with all degree coursework and research. Intended to support students as they complete their dissertations and earn their degrees.

Application Deadline is February 15 of Each Year

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Languages:

Swahili, Yoruba, Hausa, Zulu, Wolof, Arabic, Igbo etc.

