ANNOUNCEMENT CENTER FOR ARABIC STUDY ABROAD (CASA)



2016-2017 CASA I Program

The Center for Arabic Study Abroad (CASA) is pleased to announce that it will offer CASA I Full-Year Fellowships for advanced Arabic language study for the 2016-2017 academic year. **The application deadline is Monday, January 6, 2016**. Please see our website for full program details and application information: http://casa.fas.harvard.edu/.

CASA I Fellowships: (June 2016-May 2017)

The CASA I fellowships provide intensive language and culture training in Colloquial and Modern Standard Arabic (reading, listening, and writing) for three semesters (summer, fall, and spring) and allow students in the spring semester to take courses in Arabic in their respective areas of specialization.

In 2015-2016, CASA offered 25 CASA I fellowships in Cairo and Amman. Our goal is to continue the program in both locations for the 2016-2017 year; however, this will depend on the assessment of the security situation. We encourage anyone who is interested to apply.

Requirements:

To qualify for a CASA I fellowship, the successful applicant must be a US citizen or permanent resident. They also must be in one of the following categories: (a) current graduate students; (b) undergraduate students in their junior or senior year; or (c) holders of either a bachelor's or master's degree. In addition, the Selection Committee is looking for applicants who are committed to a career in Middle Eastern Studies and who do well on the CASA selection exam, which usually requires a minimum of three years of college-level language study. The exam will be administered to all stateside applicants at a school in their locality on **Friday, February 5, 2016**. For all international applicants the exam will be administered on **Wednesday, February 3, 2016**.

Each applicant must complete and submit the CASA I application form and provide all supporting documents by the designated deadline.

Applicants for CASA I have the option of participating on a Pay-Your-Own-Way basis if they have <u>other sources of funding</u>. CASA programs can often accommodate more students than our funding can support; therefore, applicants are encouraged to seek funding from other private and government sources.

Please note that non-U.S. citizens are also welcome to apply to CASA, and if accepted, may participate only on a <u>Pay-Your-Own-Way</u> basis due to our funding restrictions.

Benefits:

A CASA I fellowship award covers tuition, round-trip airfare, and a monthly stipend.

For a detailed description of the CASA program, a list of Consortium members, or to download application forms, please visit the CASA website at: http://casa.fas.harvard.edu/.

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