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Foreign Languages & Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships

AY 2022-23

Information

The Atlanta Global Studies Center (AGSC), a consortium of Georgia Tech and Georgia State University, is pleased to announce the competition for AY22-23 FLAS Fellowships. FLAS Fellowships assist undergraduate and graduate students in achieving competency in selected foreign languages. **FLAS Fellowships are available for the less commonly taught languages of Arabic, Chinese, Korean, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Persian/Farsi, Portuguese, Russian, and Swahili.** Funding for advanced French, German, and Spanish languages may be available for GRADUATE students at an advanced level. French, German and Spanish are NOT eligible languages for UNDERGRADUATE students. FLAS Fellowships can be used to study abroad or on campus. To apply, please follow the instructions carefully.

Application Deadline:
June 30, 2022 (11:59 p.m. EST)

Eligibility

- U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Application submitted to, enrollment in, or acceptance for enrollment in a Georgia Tech or Georgia State degree program with study of a modern foreign language and global, international, or area studies, or international aspects of professional or other fields of study.
- Undergraduates must pursue study of a language at the intermediate (2nd year) level or beyond and can only apply to study less commonly taught languages of Arabic, Chinese, Korean, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Persian/Farsi, Portuguese, Russian, and Swahili. French, German and Spanish are NOT eligible languages for undergraduates.
- Graduate students may pursue language study of a less commonly taught language at the introductory level only if they have already achieved advanced-level proficiency in another language **and if** studying an additional language is relevant to their studies and potential future career. Graduate students are eligible to apply to study advanced French, German or Spanish, but preference will be given to proposals for intermediate or advanced-level study in less commonly taught languages (Arabic, Chinese, Korean, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Persian/Farsi, Portuguese, Russian, and Swahili).

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Academic Year Graduate Fellowships include a living stipend of \$20,000 and up to \$18,000 towards tuition and mandatory fees.

Academic Year Undergraduate Fellowships include a living stipend of \$5,000 and up to \$10,000 towards tuition and mandatory fees.

As per U.S. Department of Education stipulations, academic year fellows are required to take one language course and one global or area studies course each semester. They are also required to be enrolled full-time (at least 12 hours/semester) during the fellowship period, to make satisfactory progress in their FLAS coursework, and to maintain good standing with the university. FLAS Fellows will also register for a 1-hour Directed Studies course in the Fall to explore global careers and opportunities.

Fellows are required to undergo an assessment of their foreign language proficiency and submit reports about their FLAS coursework and fellowship. We provide further details on reporting and language evaluation requirements after the award process is completed. To track the progress of fellows after their fellowships, FLAS fellows are asked to participate in questionnaires throughout their academic and professional careers.

Application Process & Checklist

Prepare your responses and gather documents in advance. It is best to complete your online application in one sitting. If you have all of the materials, the online application will take about 20 minutes.

NOTE: You may begin your application and continue it at a later time IF you use the same computer and browser. Do not clear your browser history. Just click on the application link from the same computer to continue your application where you left off.

- Complete the [online application form](#) by the deadline listed above. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Course titles and numbers of language courses and global or area studies courses you would like to take in Fall 2022.
- Statement of purpose (limit to 4000 characters, or about 500 words) explaining how this fellowship will help you further your academic and professional goals. Applicants should explain clearly how the fellowship and coursework fit into their academic and career plan.
- Academic transcript(s) (unofficial is okay) in pdf format
- Resume in pdf format
- Names and email addresses for references (at least one should be a language instructor).

Letters of Recommendation

GEORGIA TECH STUDENTS: Two letters of recommendation are required in order for your application to be considered. Up to three letters will be accepted.

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS: At least one letter of recommendation is required in order for your application to be considered. Up to three letters will be accepted.

ALL STUDENTS: Your recommendation letter(s) will be uploaded separately by your referee (the person who is writing the letter). Please contact your referee early to avoid missing the deadline.

When someone has agreed to write you a recommendation letter, please provide him/her with the instructions below. It is your responsibility to contact your referee(s), provide instructions, follow up, and make sure that your recommendation letter is submitted by the deadline. You will receive an email confirmation when a letter is submitted.

Instructions for Writing and Submitting Letters of Recommendation:

The FLAS Fellowship recommendation letter should be 1-2 pages in length and should be written by a teacher, advisor, or employer who can comment on the applicant's academic potential. One letter should come from a language instructor. Additional letters do not need to directly comment on the applicant's language skills. Rather, the writer should describe the applicant's academic performance, motivation, potential, and interest in foreign language and global studies. All recommendation letters must be submitted using the [FLAS Recommendation Letter Submission Link](#).

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Selection Criteria

We seek candidates who show promise of becoming leaders in their field of study and professional work. Evidence may include the applicant's academic record, examples of community engagement, extra-disciplinary and professional activities, and supportive materials, including letters of recommendation from close observers of the applicant's achievements.

Your statement of purpose should clearly indicate how the FLAS Fellowship will advance both your professional career and potential for leadership within your field of specialization or in the performance of public service. The purpose of the FLAS Fellowship program is to prepare students to use their foreign language and global skills in a future career, particularly in areas of national need, such as education, health, government service, technology, and business.

In ranking candidates with similar credentials, the selection committee will give preference to undergraduate and graduate students who demonstrate financial need as indicated by the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#). If you would like your financial need to be considered, you must complete and submit the FAFSA by the AY22-23 deadline.

Virtual Information Sessions

Zoom information sessions (<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86339928340>)

- April 29 (1-2pm)
- May 12 (10-11am)
- May 26 (4-5pm)

If you are interested in scheduling an information session for your department or program, please contact Diana Wrenn Rapp at dwrenn1@gsu.edu.

The FLAS Fellowship program is authorized under Title VI of the Higher Education Act and is administered by the U.S. Department of Education.