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## I. Scholarships and Fellowships

### UMKC Offers Scholarships to International Students

The University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) awards over \$2 million to international students each year. Scholarships are available at all levels of study, including English as a Second Language, Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctoral programs. The following scholarships are available.

#### Intensive English Scholarship

All non-government sponsored students studying in the English as a Second Language program at UMKC's Applied Language Institute receive an automatic scholarship that waives a portion of the non-resident fees.

#### Chancellor's Non-Resident Award

The Chancellor's Non-Resident (CNR) Award is a renewable scholarship for new international students that waives non-resident fees (approximately \$7,000 - \$9,000\* yearly).

Eligibility criteria include:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Minimum TOEFL score of 550 paper-based, 213 computer-based, or 79 internet-based
- Or minimum IELTS score of 6.0
- F-1 or J-1 visa holder
- Must be nominated by the UMKC academic unit

New applicants meeting the criteria are automatically recommended to the academic unit for consideration.

#### Dean's International Computing and Engineering Award

The Dean's International Computing and Engineering (DICE) Award is a renewable scholarship for new international students studying in the School of Computing and Engineering. The DICE Award waives a portion of non-resident fees (approximately \$7,000 - \$9,000\* yearly).

Eligibility criteria include:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Minimum TOEFL score of 550 paper-based, 213 computer-based, or 79 internet-based
- Or minimum IELTS score of 6.0
- F-1 or J-1 visa holder
- Must be nominated by the School of Computing and Engineering

New applicants meeting the criteria are automatically recommended to the academic unit for consideration.

#### Doctoral Fee Waiver

All doctoral students are automatically awarded a non-resident fee waiver, for a total savings of approximately \$8,000 - \$9,000\* per year.

#### Community College Leadership Award (CCLA)

Students who have a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale and who have demonstrated leadership roles at a community college may be eligible for the Community College Leadership Award (CCLA). Awardees receive a non-resident fee waiver and an additional \$1,500, for a total value of approximately \$10,000\* per year.

#### Assistantships

Assistantships are available for many graduate programs. Please contact the academic unit for assistantship information regarding specific programs.

Contact an EducationUSA adviser near you for guidance on finding and applying to an accredited U.S. college or university

<http://www.educationusa.state.gov/>

**Athletic Scholarships**

UMKC offers NCAA Division I athletic programs with scholarships available. Information regarding the athletics programs can be found by visiting <http://www.umckkangaroos.com/>.

**Other Scholarships**

In addition to the financial assistance opportunities listed above, UMKC offers some departmental scholarships for specific programs.

For more information regarding these scholarship opportunities and all the opportunities available at UMKC, please visit <http://www.umkc.edu/isao>.

*\*All amounts are estimated based on most recent tuition rates. Tuition and fees are subject to change.*

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**Yale University Seeks Candidates for Leadership Training Program**

Creating a global network of emerging leaders and to broaden international understanding at Yale, the Yale World Fellows Program each year brings to Yale 18 highly accomplished men and women from a diverse set of countries around the world. The Fellows spend an intensive semester exploring critical issues and undergoing leadership training, with the full resources of Yale University at their disposal. Selected from outside the United States at an early mid-career point (generally five to fifteen years into their professional development), the World Fellows come from a range of fields and disciplines including government, business, nongovernmental organizations, religion, the military, media, and the arts. Guided by faculty advisors, the Fellows deepen their resource bases, advance their breadth of understanding, and augment their skills. Building on access to the students, faculty, alumni, and Yale visitors, the Fellows prepare for greater roles of leadership, expand their professional and personal horizons, and contribute to a deepening of international awareness and dialogue within the Yale community.

Nominations to the 2009 Yale World Fellows Program are now being accepted. Please visit [www.yale.edu/worldfellows](http://www.yale.edu/worldfellows) for more information.

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**Postdoctoral Research Fellow- Yale School of Medicine**

Seeking research postdoctoral fellow to train for 2 or more years. Should have experience in basic biochemical and molecular biology techniques. Experience using small animal transgenic models or willingness to learn. Experience or education in cardiovascular biology and physiology.

My lab is small, so you will get hands-on education as well as larger group teaching in format of research-in-progress and journal clubs in our cardiovascular biology group (weekly basis). You will learn novel cardiovascular techniques including physiology (invasive and non-invasive) for use in transgenic models. It is an exciting time to have such skills and these will put you in an excellent position for your transition to independence or industry!

For further information and to apply, send your cover letter, CV, and references to [kerry.russellyale.edu](http://kerry.russellyale.edu)

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**Rafael Viñoly Architects Offers Research Grants for Studies of Built Environment**

Deadline: August 1, 2008

This year, to mark the 25th anniversary of the firm, Rafael Viñoly Architects Training and Research Programs ( <http://www.rvatr.com/> ) will offer up to five research grants to individuals for original research on transformations in the built environment within dynamically changing societies.

Research topics should be tightly focused, emphasizing original research. Projects may focus on architecture or any aspect of

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the built or designed environment.

Awards are made to individuals or teams of individuals and not to institutions. Although the firm has a particular interest in studies addressing China, the Middle East, Russia, and South America, citizens of all countries are eligible to apply, and all regions of the world are eligible as subjects of research.

Selected recipients will be provided with financial support of up to \$60,000 per project, including stipends and research expenses.

Visit the Rafael Viñoly Architects Training and Research Programs Web site for the complete Call for Proposals.

RFP Link: <http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/15012905/rvatr>

## II. News you can use

### Top Colleges Dig Deeper in Wait Lists for Students

By TAMAR LEWIN

In what may be a happy surprise for thousands of high school seniors, Harvard plans to offer admission to 150 to 175 students on its waiting list, and Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania each expect to take 90, creating ripples that will send other highly selective colleges deeper into their waiting lists as well.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2008/05/09/education/09admissions.html>

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### EducationUSA Connections Journal: Liberal Arts Colleges

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Articles in the April 2008 issue include:

- The Residential Liberal Arts College

Describes the foundations, missions and methodologies of an undergraduate liberal arts education.

By William G. Durden and Ann M. Dykstra, Dickinson College

- Ten Tips for Advising Students on Liberal Arts Colleges How to advise students on the liberal arts higher education tradition in the U.S.

By Kathleen Kisting Alam, Regional Educational Academic Coordinator (REAC)

for South Asia

- The Value of a Liberal Arts Education in the Job Market and Beyond How the career services office at Middlebury College advises international students.

By Tracy Himmel Isham, Middlebury College

- International Students at Baccalaureate-Liberal Arts Institutions Overview and trends of international student enrollment.

By Rachel Marcus, IIE

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