

FOREIGN LANGUAGE & AREA STUDIES (FLAS) ACADEMIC YEAR AWARD FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

Due January 31, 2024

Academic Year (AY) Foreign Language & Area Studies Fellowship (FLAS) provides eligible undergraduates with a \$5,000 living stipend and up to \$10,000 in tuition and fees. Eligible AY graduate students are awarded a \$20,000 living stipend and up to \$18,000 in tuition and fees.

Undergraduate and graduate FLAS Fellowships are available for students studying the following languages at the intermediate or advanced level: **Albanian, Armenian, Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian (BCS), Kazakh, Macedonian, Persian, Polish, Romanian, Russian, Tatar, Turkish, Ukrainian, or Uzbek.** Graduate students may study at a beginner level IF they have demonstrated advanced proficiency in another language related to field of study.

Eligibility:

1. Applicants must be a U.S. Citizen, National, or Permanent Resident.
2. Applicants must be a degree-seeking student in good standing at Arizona State University (ASU) or have been accepted as a degree-seeking student at ASU.
3. Academic year applicants must submit their entire FAFSA submission.
4. Applicant must be eligible to receive an Arizona State University tuition scholarship.
5. AY applicants must be prepared to enroll in at least one Russian, Eurasian, or East European area studies course for the Fall and Spring Semester. (Not applicable for Summer applicants.)
6. Applicants must be prepared to enroll in the one of the following languages: Albanian, Armenian, Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian (BCS), Kazakh, Macedonian, Persian, Polish, Romanian, Russian, Tatar, Turkish, Ukrainian, or Uzbek.
7. Applicants must have a 3.0 minimum GPA and a demonstrated interest in Central and/or Eastern Europe. Applicants with less than a 3.0 GPA are encouraged to apply and address their GPA in the Statement of Purpose.
8. Applicants from underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply.
9. Applicants from all majors are encouraged to apply.

*Please note: FLAS awards are contingent upon funding from the U.S. Department of Education.

Application Instructions

In a combined PDF file, the applicant should submit the following to cli@asu.edu:

This Application

FASFA (download a pdf copy at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>) View/Print SAR.

Statement of Purpose (see page 5)

The following documents should be sent directly to cli@asu.edu:

Official academic transcript(s) to cli@asu.edu. (Unofficial ASU transcripts are also accepted.)

Two letters of recommendation, accompanied by forms, see below. (Language evaluator may also serve as a recommender.)

Note: To be considered for this award, all application materials, including letters of recommendation, are due to cli@asu.edu by midnight, **January 31, 2024**. It is the responsibility of the **student** to ensure letters of recommendation have been received on time.

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Applicant Information

Name (as it appears on legal documentation)

Preferred form of address

ASU ID

Mailing Address

City, State, and Zip Code

ASU email address

Alternate email address

Phone number

LinkedIn profile

Citizenship:

U.S. Citizen

U.S. National

Permanent Resident Alien

Application Type:

Undergraduate

Graduate

Major(s) / Department:

Minor(s):

For tuition purposes will you be, officially, a resident or non-resident of the state of Arizona during the academic year you are applying for?

Resident

Non-Resident

***Self-disclosure of underrepresented status statement**

As the FLAS Fellowship is funded by the Department of Education, we are required to request demographic information from our applicants. Providing this information is voluntary and optional. Non-response to this page will NOT have an impact on your eligibility.

Ethnicity and Race Identification

1. Are you Hispanic or Latino/a?

Yes

No

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2. Please check the racial categories you most identify with.

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian

Black or African American

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White

Other:

3. Did your parents/guardian graduate from college?

Both

One

Neither

4. Have you served or are currently serving in the U.S. military?

Yes

No

Sex

Male

Female

Other:

II. Language information

Language for which you are applying

What year language courses do you expect to take as a FLAS recipient?

To be eligible for FLAS, undergraduate students must enroll in an intensive and/or intermediate or advanced language course. Graduate students who plan to enroll in first-year language classes must demonstrate proficiency in another language of the region.

1st year (graduate only)

3rd year

5th year or higher

2nd year

4th year

Graduate Applicants only:

If you are a graduate student studying a less commonly taught language at the first-year level, what **other** Central/Eastern European languages are you proficient in?

How did you acquire your proficiency? Have you ever taken a standardized proficiency test? Explain.

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All applicants: How many years have you studied the language that you are applying for?

When did you study it? Date(s)

High School

Undergraduate

Other (please specify)

Language(s) spoken at home

Please list all of the courses you have taken in the target language and the grades received:

Have you studied any languages other than those listed previously? Please specify.

Have you taken a standardized proficiency test for the language you are applying for?

Yes

No

If yes, please indicate the name of the test and score:

III. Academic information

List all institutions of higher education you have attended, the dates attended, and GPA for each.

Please list academic honors, scholarships, or memberships in honor societies and date received.

Please indicate relevant activities or research in which you participated.

Please specify any other federally-funded grants or fellowships you have applied for and/or received.

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IV. Recommender Information

Letters of Recommendation

You must have two letters of recommendation (total), each accompanied by the letter of recommendation form. Your recommenders must sign both documents, combine as a PDF, and send to cli@asu.edu. The strongest letters of recommendation come from professors, instructors, and mentors who know you well.

1. Name:

1. Email:

Language Evaluator

You must have one language evaluator who will speak to your overall strengths and weaknesses as a student and language learner. Evaluators may be from outside institutions. Your evaluator must submit the document as a PDF to cli@asu.edu.

1. Name:

1. Email:

Do you waive your right to view your letters of recommendation and language evaluation?

Yes

No

V. Statement of Purpose

In no more than two pages (double-spaced), provide a statement of purpose that describes how language proficiency and area studies expertise will enhance your educational and/or career goals. In describing your goals, please discuss your short-term and long-term goals. If you have a GPA below 3.0, please address the steps you are taking to improve your GPA and other factors that may have impacted your GPA.

I certify that this information is true, complete, and given in good faith. I understand that if I receive the FLAS Fellowship, I will be held accountable for the information disclosed in this application. Additionally, I understand that, if awarded, I must follow specific FLAS requirements that will be made available at a later date. These requirements include – but are not limited to – submitting a performance report to the US Department of Education as directed by the FLAS coordinator and completing language assessments at the beginning and end of the FLAS period.

Signature

Date