

The Honda Scholarship for International Study
Application Form
<For Summer 2009 & Academic Year 2009 – 2010>

The Honda Scholarship Application and Supporting Materials will include:

- **Honda Scholarship for International Study Application Form** (attached)
- A **2 -3 page double-spaced personal statement** describing the applicant's academic and career objectives, plan of study with regard to the study abroad or exchange program, and the importance of international experience and/or understanding to the applicant's field of study.
- **Two confidential letters of recommendation**, to include one from the applicant's academic advisor (see enclosed Confidential Reference Form)
- **UHCC college transcript**
- *(If you do not have a GPA at the time of application, please use the attached **CURRENT GRADE CHECK FORM** and obtain your current grades from the instructors at the time of application)*

A personal interview will also be required of selected applicants.

Application materials and related documents must be postmarked no later than **March 20, 2009** and should be submitted to:

Leon Richards
Executive Director for International Education
University of Hawai'i Community Colleges
c/o Honda International Center, 'Iliahi 112
4303 Diamond Head Road
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96816

Attention: Honda Scholarship

For further information about the scholarship and application materials, please contact the Honda International Center at (808) 734-9824 or by email: kiyohara@hawaii.edu.

The Honda Scholarship for International Study

The purpose of the **Honda Scholarship for International Study** is to promote international understanding through support for international travel and study. The scholarship provides support for University of Hawai'i Community College students with a focused and well-developed proposal who wish to incorporate an international educational experience into their academic program.

Five Honda scholarships of \$3,000-5,000 each are awarded annually. The scholarship supports students in any field of study to participate in University of Hawai'i exchange or study abroad programs, or in study abroad programs sponsored by other institutions.

Applications for the scholarship are due **MARCH 20, 2009**

Eligibility and Criteria:

- Community college students who are in at least their second semester of study at any of the UHCC campuses. (Hawai'i, Honolulu, Kapi'olani, Kaua'i, Leeward, Maui, or Windward)
 - Students must be degree-seeking and can be selected from any field of study.
 - Only Hawai'i residents are eligible.
 - Awards to students in good academic standing will be made on the basis of academic merit. It is expected that students will have a minimum Cumulative GPA of 3.5.
 - Consideration will be given to service to applicant's community and other activities and experience.
 - Applicants may be enrolled part-time, but must be making progress towards a degree as evidenced by continuing enrollment and specific courses taken.
 - Awards may be given for one semester, one academic year, or a minimum of six (6) weeks of intensive study or six (6) credits.
 - Students may be awarded a Honda Scholarship only once.
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Application for Scholarship

Please circle the response below that indicates the program for which you are applying:

___ UH Student Exchange Program for: 1 summer / 1 semester / 1 academic year

___ UH Study Abroad Program for: 1 summer / 1 semester / 1 academic year

___ Other Study Abroad Program for: 1 summer / 1 semester / 1 academic year

A. Personal Information (please note that some information requested below is in anticipation of the visa application)

1. Name _____

2. Birth Date _____ 3. Gender _____

4. U.S. Citizen/Perm Resident: YES / NO

5. UH ID Number _____ - _____

6. Hawai'i Resident: YES / NO (if NO, state place of official residence _____)

7. Cell Phone _____ 8. UH Email _____

9. Current Mailing Address _____

10. Permanent Mailing Address _____

B. Academic Information

1. University of Hawai'i Campus _____

2. Major/Field of Study _____

3. Class Standing (circle one): First Year / Sophomore

4. Cumulative GPA _____ (if no GPA, then use the attached CURRENT GRADE CHECK FORM)

5. Name of Academic Advisor _____

6. Your academic history, beginning with most recent:

High School, College or University	Dates of Attendance	Degree Earned/Expected	Major/Field of Specialization

7. Previous academic honors, fellowships and awards _____

C. Study Abroad/Exchange Program Information

1. Title of Study Abroad/Exchange Program _____
2. Site(s) of proposed overseas study _____

3. Dates of proposed program _____
4. Number of credits that will be earned _____
5. Program Summary:

6. Is a foreign language required in order to participate in the program you have selected? YES / NO
 If YES, please rate your relevant language training as GOOD, FAIR or MINIMAL.

E.g.: ITALIAN Reading: Good Writing: Good Speaking: Good
 _____ Reading: _____ Writing: _____ Speaking: _____
 _____ Reading: _____ Writing: _____ Speaking: _____

7. What is the total cost of the program? _____
- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Air/In-country Travel | _____ |
| Living Expenses | _____ |
| Tuition and Books | _____ |
| Health Insurance | _____ |
| Program/Admin Fee | _____ |
| Miscellaneous (immunizations/visas) | _____ |
| Total | _____ |

8. Income already committed from other sources (specify amount and source) _____

9. List other grants and fellowship programs to which you are applying for support for this project and amounts being sought _____

D. Miscellaneous Information

1. List below the names, titles and addresses of two faculty/administrator from whom you have requested letters of recommendation. References should be from persons qualified to write about you, your academic and professional experience, and the project proposed in this application.

Name	Title	Address	Phone

2. Please describe any interests and/or hobbies you have _____

3. Please describe any activities and/or organizations you take part in _____

4. Previous travel abroad

Date	Purpose	Sponsorship

5. Please list any illnesses or medical conditions which might require attention while travelling overseas.

E. Personal Statement

In addition to the information requested above, all applications must include a 2-3 page double-spaced personal statement describing your academic and career objectives; your plan of study in the study abroad or exchange program; and the importance of international experience and/or understanding to your field of study.

For example:

- A culinary student may want to consider further exploring the current trend of blending western and Asian foods in the creation of Pacific Rim cuisine.
- A health sciences student may want to consider exploring the relationship between doctors and nurses in an Asian country and compare it to what that is in the United States.
- An accounting student may want to consider accounting practices in a non-western country and how they relate to business practices conducted there.

F. Acknowledgment

I certify that the information provided in my application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that awards are made based on the plan of study outlined in this proposal. If I am granted an award, any changes to my plan of study must be discussed with and approved by my academic advisor and the Office of International Education.

Signature of the applicant

Date

Should I be selected for this scholarship, I hereby give my consent and grant permission to the University of Hawaii and The University of Hawaii Foundation to disclose information on my academic performance and grade point average to the donor for this award.

Signature of the applicant (required)

Date

It is the applicant's responsibility to insure that all application materials, including letters of recommendation, are received prior to the deadline.

Confidential Reference Form

Name of Applicant _____

Field of Study/Department _____

Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 I understand I have the right to have access to letters of recommendation written on my behalf.

- I wish this letter to be written in confidence and hereby waive my rights of access to this letter.
- I wish to retain my rights of access.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

To the Referee:

The purpose of the Honda Scholarship is to promote international understanding and firsthand cross-cultural experiences through scholarship support of University of Hawai'i community college students. Applicants are expected to submit a focused and well-developed proposal explaining how international studies relate to their academic studies.

Please tell us how long you have known the applicant and in what capacity. Please evaluate the applicant's proposed program of study in terms of its academic and non-academic merits and provide a candid assessment of the student's ability to succeed in the proposed program. Your comments should address both the strengths and the weaknesses of the project and the candidate. If the form does not provide adequate space, you may attach additional pages.

I have have not seen the applicant's proposal.

Referee's Name _____

Referee's Signature _____

Position/Department _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

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FREEMAN FOUNDATION COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROGRAM

CURRENT GRADE CHECK FORM

Name of applicant: _____

To the instructor:

This applicant is applying for the Freeman Foundation Community College program and we would like to know the current grades for his/her application. This information will help us better assess the applicant's academic performance at the time of application.

Please fill out the below information. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ken Kiyohara at the Honda International Center at Kapi'olani Community College (734-9824 / kiyohara@hawaii.edu). Thank you for your cooperation in advance.

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Course	Credits	Current grade	Instructor name	Signature/Date

To the applicant:

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