The Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies announces a competition for scholarships to support study abroad. Applicants must be enrolled in a Latin American/Caribbean Studies program (i.e., Undergraduate minor, Global and Areas Studies–Latin America and Caribbean Studies major, or Graduate Certificate). This is both a merit and needs-based scholarship. The scholarships may be used to defray the costs of research travel or an MSU-sponsored study abroad program in Latin America or the Caribbean.

**Application Procedure:**
Incomplete application packages will not be considered. Applicants for the CLACS Scholarship for Study Abroad must submit the following application materials:

- Completed scholarship application form
- Essay (approximately 500 words) explaining:
  1. Why you choose this program and location;
  2. How this program will contribute to your educational and professional goals;
  3. How this program will stretch and challenge you as a person;
  4. Discuss why you need this scholarship and how you will use it;
  5. Other information you would like us to know.

**Application Deadline:** March 4, 2016

**Contact:**
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APPLICATION

Complete and return this form to the CLACS office or e-mail to clacs@msu.edu by March 4, 2016.

Name: ___________________________________________ PID: ___________________________

Last                       First
E-mail: ___________________@msu.edu  Phone: ___________ Overall GPA: __________________

Major: ____________________________  College: ______________________________________

Anticipated graduation date: _______________

Are you enrolled in the CLACS Specialization?  (check)  □ Yes  □ No

Level (check)
Undergraduates:  □ Fr. (0-27 cr.)  □ Soph. (28-55 cr.)  □ Jr. (56-87)  □ Sr. (88 + cr.)

Graduate Students:  □ Masters  □ Ph.D.  □ Other __________

Local address: _____________________________________________

Permanent address: ___________________________________________

Name of Study Abroad Program: __________________________________

Location: ____________________________  Semester: _______________________________

Have you participated in other study abroad programs? (check)  □ Yes  □ No

If yes, which one/where? ____________________________ Semester/year: __________________

Name of faculty member who we could contact to recommend you:

Name ____________________________________________  Department ________________  College ________________

Financial Information

Applicants household size:__________________________  Number in college:_____________________

Spouse: ___________________________________________

Children (names and ages) __________________________________________

How is your 2013-14 MSU tuition paid? (self, family, financial aid, fellowships, assistantships) ________________

Special circumstances or comments you would like considered: __________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________________________

I certify the information above is correct: ____________________________  Signature of applicant
ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS and RELEASE OF INFORMATION

If offered a scholarship through the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS) at Michigan State University, I understand I may be required to participate in activities before or after my experience abroad as a condition of my award(s). I agree to repay the full amount of my scholarship award(s) if I fail to fulfill scholarship conditions.

I authorize:

- CLACS to publish my name and/or photo and give CLACS, and all persons or entities acting pursuant to CLACS’ permission or authority, all rights to use my name and/or photo. I understand that my name and/or photo may be used for educational, advertising, and promotional purposes in all conventional and electronic media, and any future media. I also authorize the use of any printed material in connection therewith.
- The Office of Financial Aid to release my financial aid data to CLACS in order to be considered for a scholarship based on merit and financial need.

Signature of applicant: ________________________________ Date: __________________

Return this completed scholarship form with your essay by March 4, 2016 to:

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