



Office of International Affairs
2017-2018 OIA GLOBAL CORNERS INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE STUDENT
RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION AWARD

Nomination Instructions for Departments
Submission Deadline: February 22, 2017

The Office of International Affairs (OIA) is pleased to announce the **2017-2018 OIA Global Corners International Graduate Student Recruitment and Retention Award**. Inaugurated with the 2014-2015 academic year, the Global Corners Award offers substantial tuition assistance to new and continuing international graduate students whose recruitment and retention advance the UO's strategic interests in internationalizing the campus and maintaining a globally diverse student population.

Award Purpose

International engagement is essential to the academic and cultural vibrancy of the University of Oregon, as it seeks to prepare students for the challenges of the 21st century. The Global Corners Award assists academic departments in their efforts to recruit and retain promising graduate students who come from all corners of the globe, and whose presence on campus helps the University to advance its strategic interests in internationalization. Consequently, the Global Corners Award helps to implement the UO's Strategic Framework for 2016-2021 (<https://provost.uoregon.edu/strategicframework>), which identifies "[enhancing] diversity and global reach by recruiting top international students" as a key strategic initiative, against the backdrop of "educating the whole person, and to fostering the next generation of transformational leaders and informed participants in the global community."

Student Eligibility

To be considered for an award, an international student must be at the graduate level and be nominated by an academic department or program. Departments may nominate both new and continuing international students. New students are students admitted into a graduate UO degree program for the Fall 2017 term. Continuing students are UO degree-seeking students in good academic standing who started their programs prior to Fall 2017 and who are expected to continue studies in Fall 2017. Students are expected to be in good academic standing while receiving Global Corners support.

Award Type and Amount

Awards are made in the form of tuition remission. Exact award amounts will vary depending on student's anticipated program costs, time-to-completion, alternative and/or matching funding, and the strength of the department's Nomination Statement (see below). However, in no case will the award amount be more than the equivalent of nine (9) credits in any given term.

Awards cannot be converted to cash or applied to non-tuition expenses such as mandatory fees, health insurance, supplies, or living expenses. The Office of International Affairs will credit award recipients' student accounts each term upon confirmation of enrollment for the term. Award amounts will be distributed evenly over the fall, winter, and spring quarters of the 2016-2017 academic year, unless a

different distribution is requested by the department or by the award recipient. In any case, changes to the award amount or distribution must be approved by the Office of International Affairs.

Department Contribution

In order to maximize the impact and effectiveness of Global Corners Award funds in recruiting and retaining accomplished international students, priority consideration will be given to students who will receive substantial department support for the award year. The department contribution may take different forms such as partial tuition waivers, cash-based scholarships, grant-based employment, or similar forms of support.

The Global Corners Award is intended to assist departments in the recruitment or retention of particularly promising or accomplished international students, by providing such students with tuition remission support that supplements department-secured assistance. Because Global Corners can be used toward tuition remission only, it is not available to students for whom full tuition support has already been secured and offered.

Nomination Process

To be considered, a student must be nominated by an academic department or program. The approval of a department head, director, or dean is required. The nomination process includes the following steps:

- The sponsoring Department identifies and selects a maximum of two international graduate students for nomination
- The Department prepares the following for each nominated student: (1) a **Nomination Form** and (2) a **Nomination Statement** on department letterhead
- The Department directs each student to download a **Financial Resources Form** from http://iss.s.uoregon.edu/sites/iss1.uoregon.edu/files/financial_resources2016.pdf. The student is responsible for submitting a completed Financial Resources Form directly to the Office of International Affairs at issa@uoregon.edu no later than close of business (5pm PST) on Wednesday, February 22, 2017.
- The Department submits the Nomination Form and Nomination Statement to the Office of International Affairs at issa@uoregon.edu in a single PDF no later than close of business on Wednesday, February 22, 2017

Department Nomination Statement

Critical to the nomination process is a department Nomination Statement (1000 words maximum length) that addresses how the recruitment / retention of the student helps to advance the following objectives:

1. **Contribution to internationalization:** Nominations should explain how the recruitment and/or retention of the nominated student advances the internationalization of the UO. The award allows for internationalization to be defined in multiple ways. However, sponsors should articulate how the student's current or expected enrollment will help to enhance the UO's status as a global university committed to academic excellence in a 21st century global society.
2. **Academic Excellence:** Nominations should explain the academic potential and/or achievements of the nominee. We welcome demonstrations based on a combination of assessments (such as grades, standardized test scores, noteworthy accomplishments and distinctions, or testimonials).
3. **Global Corners:** We seek nominations of students who come from all corners of the globe, and who thus add to the diversity of our student population. We invite academic units to explain how

the nominated student enhances our overall international diversity according to any of the following criteria: a) geographical origin, national or sub-national; b) ethnic, linguistic, racial or other cultural background; c) socio-economic class or other indicators or non-elite background.

Nomination statements may be based on evidence from different sources, including the student's record of academic potential or accomplishment, the student's admissions statements or statements of intent, research proposals, contributions to campus and community life, evaluations provided by faculty mentors or students, statements of recognition from prizes and awards, and other similar source material.

Student Notification and Student Financial Resources Form

As a part of the nomination process, the department should notify the student of his/her nomination and direct the student to complete a Student Financial Resources Form, which is available at http://iss.uoregon.edu/sites/iss1.uoregon.edu/files/financial_resources2016.pdf. Students should also be directed to contact issa@uoregon.edu with questions about this form. The student nominee is responsible for submitting a completed Student Financial Resources Form directly to the Office of International Affairs, at issa@uoregon.edu, by the submission deadline of February 22, 2017.

Deadline and Decision Announcements

In order to receive full consideration, nomination forms and accompanying statements must be sent by email to issa@uoregon.edu no later than 5pm on Wednesday, February 22, 2017. Announcements will be made by mid-March, 2017.

Award selections will be made by a Selection Committee comprised of OIA staff as well as faculty and student representatives. Decisions will be communicated directly to the department head and department contact indicated on the Nomination Form.

For More Information

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Scholarship Web Site:
<http://iss.uoregon.edu/scholarships/global-corners>



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Department Nomination Form

This is a fillable PDF form. Submit to issa@uoregon.edu by February 22, 2017.

Student Nominee Name (LAST, Given) _____

Student UID _____ Student DOB (mm/dd/yyyy) _____

Student Email _____ Student Phone _____

Status for Fall 2017 New Student Continuing Student

If new student, has student confirmed acceptance of admission offer? Yes No

Degree Level Master's Doctoral Other (indicate) _____

Nominating Department / Academic Program _____

Major Field of Study _____

Estimated Length of Program _____ academic years

If continuing student, indicate estimated length of time to completion: _____ years

Program Term Type Quarter Semester

Department Contribution to Student's Educational Costs

Indicate types and estimated or confirmed amounts of financial support student is expected to receive directly from the Department. Semester-based programs should enter information for the Fall and Spring term columns only.

Type of Support	Fall 2017	Winter 2018	Spring 2018	Total
Tuition Remission*				
Cash Scholarships				
On-campus Employment				
Other Confirmed Support**				

*Indicate % of full-time tuition or number of credits **Indicate types of other confirmed support in comments section

For 2017-2018, the student has a confirmed Graduate Employee appointment: Yes No

If yes, indicate GE appointment type Teaching Research Administrative



Department Request for Global Corners Support

Tuition rate information is at http://registrar.uoregon.edu/costs. Use best available information when completing.

Tuition rate type for student's program:

Example: Graduate Masters / Doctoral, Graduate Music and Dance, Graduate Business MBA, etc.

Non-resident tuition rate for 1st credit \$ for 1st credit of enrollment

Non-resident tuition rate for credits 2 - 9 \$ per credit

Amount of support requested for nominated student (maximum 9 credits in any term, non-resident rates)

Table with 3 columns: Credits for term, estimated at, and dollar amount. Rows include Fall 2017, Winter 2018, Spring 2018, and a TOTAL row.

*Semester programs: enter Fall and Spring terms only

COMMENTS

Provide any comments that may be helpful for consideration of the above request.

SIGNATURE AND APPROVAL

Nomination requires the approval of a department head, program director, or dean. Departments should designate a contact person responsible for managing the Global Corners Award nomination.

Department Head Signature: Date:

Name (Printed): Title:

Department Contact Name:

Contact Extension: Contact Email:

Submit this Nomination Form, along with the department's Nomination Statement as a PDF file to issa@uoregon.edu no later than 5pm on Wednesday, February 22, 2017.

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Form fields for tracking: Verified, Requested, Data Entry, Student Financial Form Received, Awarded (Y/N), Notified.