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# Benjamin Chandler Shaw Travel Award

### **Description and Application**

The Benjamin Chandler Shaw Travel Award is granted to the Junior man who has distinguished himself by leadership, character, conduct, and scholarship and whose proposal for foreign travel most significantly supplements his educational objectives. The award is funded by Dr. Carl Lincoln Schweinfurth in recognition of the late Dr. Shaw, Bethany's George T. Oliver Distinguished Professor of History and Political Science. Dr. Shaw joined the Bethany faculty in 1935, served from 1945 to 1966 as head of the Department of History and Political Science, and continued part-time as a faculty member until 1975.

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Each year, a \$4000 grant is made to Bethany College for the Benjamin Chandler Shaw Travel Award. During the fall semester, students wishing to be considered for the award complete an application and provide details of a proposed travel program. Applicants are interviewed. Questions about this application should be directed to Marc Sable, Assistant Professor of Political Science and Director of International Studies, msable@bethanywv.edu, 304-829-4774.

#### The Shaw Travel Committee reviews applications and interviews candidates to determine:

- The educational purpose for the travel;
- Clarity and completeness of the plan and its budget;
- Whether the plan could achieve the stated purpose for the travel;
- Whether the student possesses the motivation, sense of responsibility, independence, and openmindedness that enhances the likelihood of success;
- Which of the applicants presents the best rationale for the travel;
- Which of the applicants will most likely benefit from the award.

#### **Application Prerequisites:**

- Applicants must be a current Bethany student;
- Applicants must be male;
- Applicants must have Junior status at the time of the travel (i.e., the applicant will typically be starting his third year when applying);
- Applicants must have a minimum 2.50 grade-point average;
- Applicants can be of any age or any major.

#### Requirements of the Application:

- A completed application form, submitted to: Shaw Travel Award Committee, c/o Pat Mlodzik,
   Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Bethany College, Old Main 101
- A detailed statement of travel plans to the Shaw Travel Committee, which includes contacts in the country to be visited, day-to-day plans, financial accountability;
- At least one recommendation from a faculty member.

#### Requirements for Award Recipients:

- Must keep a detailed expense account for all endowment funds used and return excess funds to the College;
- Must provide by September 1 of the travel year, a detailed written report of the educational travel experience for submission to the Shaw Travel Committee;
- Must present an account of his travel at the request of the Committee;

#### **Important Dates:**

October 30, 2009: Completed Application due.
 November 13, 2009: Interview Dates announced
 December 15, 2009: Award recipient notified

• January 25, 2010: Recipient turns in full proposal to the Committee.

#### **Guidelines:**

In the detailed statement of travel plans, the applicant must:

- Present specific objectives for wanting travel abroad;
- Relate these objectives to educational and career goals;
- State the plan to achieve the objectives;
- Give a tentative itinerary;
- Outline a budget, including travel, lodging, and meals;
- List the source of supplementary funds, if necessary, to cover all costs in the budget;
- Have a signed statement from parents or legal guardian if they plan to supplement funds;

#### **Optional:**

• A statement from parents or legal guardian in support of the application.

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(Please submit completed application to: Shaw Travel Award Committee, c/o Pat Mlodzik, Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Bethany College, Old Main 101)

For Travel to:	_	Country/Countries						
Name of Applicant:	last		first		middle			
Home Address	nast.		mst	Telephone				
College Address				Telephone				
E-mail Address								
Present Status:	Sophomore		Junior	Senior	GPA			
Major(s):			Minor(s):					
Total Number of Credit Hours Earned, including this semester:								
Have you traveled abroad?		Yes	No					
Date		Country			Purpose			
Language(s):	Proficiency: Proficiency:	Elementary Elementary Elementary	Intermedi	iate	Advanced Advanced Advanced			
Sources for language knowledge, above								
Briefly summarize your travel plans:								
Signature			date					

<b>Bethany College Activities:</b>			
Date	Organization		Responsibilities
Community Activities:			
Date	Organization		Responsibilities
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Awards, Scholarships, and Grant	ts:		
Year	Award		Amount
Non – Academic Work Experien	nce:		
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Type of Work		Dates	

Attach additional pages, if necessary

## **DETAILED TRAVEL PLANS**

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The Travel Committee recommends that you refer to the guidelines on the first page when presenting your detailed plans (Please attach additional pages)