In an effort to highlight students’ study abroad experiences and to increase student awareness about Smith School study abroad programs, the Office of Global Initiatives is pleased to announce the 2014 Blogging Scholarship for students participating on 2014 University of Maryland winter and spring break short-term study abroad programs. The Office of Global Initiatives is offering a $500 scholarship to select students who agree to blog before and after their program, per the requirements below. Scholarship winners will be selected based on the quality of the sample blog post.

**Application Procedure – Deadline: October 1, 2013**

- Scholarship Application, delivered to VMH 2410.
- Blog Sample – Fiction or non-fiction, formatted in Word, 300-400 words.

*Note: Students CAN receive both the $500 Globalization scholarship (if eligible) and the $500 Blogging Scholarship.*

**Blogging Requirements**

- Students will have 3 blog posts due: 1 post due before departure (the pre-course post), and 2 after (the post-course posts). The first will cover pre-course anticipation, anxieties, and what the bloggers are hoping to get from the experience. Each post-course blog will describe a specific experience (a particular business visit, a cultural site, or an interesting event) that would be of interest to the Smith community.
- Blogs will be sent to the OGI social media coordinator, who will post blog entries to the Smith OGI site.
- Each blog post will be 300-400 words each and include at least one picture (with caption).
- More detailed guidelines, along with schedules, will be distributed in advance of the course.
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
2014 Blogging Scholarship - $500
Winter & Spring Break Short-term Programs

OFFICE of GLOBAL INITIATIVES

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETELY FILLED OUT AND HAND-DELIVERED (2410 Van Munching Hall; M-F 9am-5pm)

DEADLINE: October 1, 2013
for submission for Winter & Spring Break 2014 Short-term Programs

RECEIVED BY OGI (for OGI use only) ____________________________ DATE OF SUBMISSION TO OGI ____________________________

YOUR NAME (Please Print): _________________________________________________________________

STUDENT UID: _________________________________________________________________

EMAIL: _________________________________________________________________

SHORT-TERM PROGRAM: _________________________________________________________________

THESE BOXES MUST BE CHECKED:

□ I am participating on a University of Maryland short-term study abroad program during the winter or spring break 2014.

□ I am currently registered as a Smith School of Business, QUEST, or College Park Scholars’ BSE student.

INSTRUCTIONS:
Along with this application form, students should submit a sample blog post – either fiction or non-fiction – to demonstrate their blogging abilities. Samples should be in Word, between 300 and 400 words. Entries should be submitted in hard copy to OGI in 2410 Van Munching Hall. Applications will be judged based on the quality of the blog sample and variety of destination.

Terms & Conditions
I understand that once awarded, the $500 BLOGGING SCHOLARSHIP will be credited to my student account. I must fulfill all duties as outlined in the scholarship guidelines to receive the scholarship. I understand that I am responsible for determining my continued eligibility for needs-based financial aid if awarded this scholarship.

SIGNATURE ____________________________ Date ____________________________

This form must be returned with the blog sample to the Office of Global Initiatives, 2410 Van Munching Hall, UMD, College Park, MD.