



**Latin American and Caribbean Center**  
FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

## **Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships Final Call for Applications**

**2015 Summer Fellowships Application**  
**Submission Deadline: April 21, 2015**

The Latin American and Caribbean Center (LACC) at Florida International University is privileged to announce a call for applications for the Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship.

The FLAS fellowship supports language training in Less-Commonly-Taught Languages (LCTLs), including Portuguese, Haitian Creole, and Quechua. The fellowship assists in the advancement of knowledge, resources, and trained personnel for foreign language and area/international studies and supports the development of a qualified pool of international experts with global competence designed to meet U.S. national needs.

The Summer FLAS fellowship covers tuition and fees (up to **\$5,000**) for the summer semester. Additionally, fellowship recipients are awarded a stipend (approximately **\$2,500** for undergraduate and graduate students).

Full-time, degree-seeking FIU graduate and undergraduate students in any discipline who are focusing their study on Latin America may apply. FLAS Fellowship recipients are required to complete at least **one Latin American and Caribbean-related area studies course and one Portuguese, Haitian Creole, or Quechua course** during the summer semester.

Summer fellowships are offered to students participating in FLAS approved Summer Study Abroad programs only. Non-FIU students participating in LACC's Haitian Summer Institute are eligible to apply. **Students must confirm the FLAS approved Summer Study Abroad program of their choice is still accepting applications.** For a list of approved programs, please visit <http://www.claspprograms.org/pages/detail/5/Language>.

Undergraduate and graduate student recipients must be prepared to study one of the approved languages at the intermediate or advanced level. **Graduate students at the beginning level will be considered for overseas language study only if an appropriate equivalent beginning language instruction program in the target language is not available in the United States.** Proof of proficiency will be required for students applying for the FLAS Fellowship. Students in the professional schools (Business, Law, Medicine, Journalism, Social Work, Engineering, etc.) and those planning a career in U.S. government service are strongly encouraged to apply.

For more information on the FLAS Fellowship application process, please contact LACC Academic Programs Coordinator, Viroselie Reyes ([virreyes@fiu.edu](mailto:virreyes@fiu.edu) or 305-348-2894).

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2015 Summer FLAS Fellowship  
Application Form

**I. Applicant Personal Data**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Panther ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Note: only U.S. Citizens and Permanent U.S. Residents are eligible for FLAS Funding.)*

Current Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**II. Academic Record**

College and Universities Attended:

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Dates Attended</u>	<u>Major and Degree</u>	<u>GPA</u>
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Honors received for high scholastic ability (i.e., Phi Beta Kappa, etc.):

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Scholarships, Fellowships, or Graduate Assistantships (Including institutions and dates):

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Language Proficiency: Based on available information, please rate your competence in languages as *beginner*, *intermediate*, *advanced*, or *native* fluency.

Language	Speaking	Listening	Comprehension	Reading	Writing
Portuguese					
Haitian Creole					

Language of study proposed for FLAS fellowship:

☐ Portuguese ☐ Haitian Creole ☐ Quechua

Study Abroad Program Name (required, must be from approved list found in link):

<http://www.claspprograms.org/pages/detail/5/Language>

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(Program must still be accepting applications)

Have you lived, conducted research, or traveled in Latin America and/or the Caribbean?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please give inclusive information below:

Country Dates Purpose

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### III. FIU Academic Record

To be completed by Undergraduate applicants only

<b>Major</b>	
<b>Minor</b>	
<b>Number of Hours completed at FIU</b>	
<b>Cumulative Undergraduate GPA</b>	
<b>ACT score(s) and percentile(s)</b>	
<b>SAT score(s) and percentile(s)</b>	

To be completed by Graduate applicants only

<b>Degree being sought (i.e. PhD, MA, etc.)</b>	
<b>Discipline/Department</b>	
<b>Field/s of Concentration</b>	
<b>Number of Hours completed at FIU</b>	
<b>Cumulative Graduate GPA</b>	
<b>GRE score(s) and percentile(s)</b>	
<b>LSAT score(s) and percentile(s)</b>	
<b>GMAT score(s) and percentile(s)</b>	

### IV. Demonstrated Financial Need

Are you currently a recipient of:

- ☐ Pell Grant
- ☐ Other Federal funding: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Other Non-Federal funding (State, Local, or Private Organizations): \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ N/A

If applicable, please report your official Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) toward your education: \_\_\_\_\_



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Submit this form and the following materials no later than **5:00PM on Tuesday, April 21, 2015**

- ☐ 1 copy of unofficial transcripts
- ☐ 1 copy of test scores
- ☐ 2-3 page double-spaced letter of intent that specifically outlines the relevance of Portuguese or Haitian Creole language study and Latin American expertise to your academic, training and career goals.

**Application Submission:** Applicants must submit all materials electronically as PDFs to LACC Academic Programs Coordinator, Viroselie Reyes, at [virreyes@fiu.edu](mailto:virreyes@fiu.edu) or in hard-copy format to DM 353. No late or incomplete applications will be accepted.

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