

INSTRUCTION SHEET
Africana Studies and the Africa Project
2005 Spring Break in Ghana Scholarship Application
Deadline: January 14th, 2004
(early application is encouraged!)

This is **NOT** a program application. You must submit a separate application for your study abroad program to the NC State University Study Abroad Office or other external program.

Please read instructions carefully and ensure that you have all the required pages:

- 1) Instruction Sheet, 2) Scholarship Criteria, 3) Application Form
Incomplete applications will not be considered.

1. **BASIC INFORMATION:** Africana Studies and the Africa Project at NC State University offers scholarship support on a competitive basis to NC State University students in good academic standing who will be participating in study abroad programs in Africa or the African Diaspora.¹ The granting of scholarship awards are based on academic qualifications, the appropriateness and quality of planned study or project in the designated country, and the availability of funds. Scholarship recipients must agree to submit a written report on their experience no later than one-month after their return to the United States. Further information may be obtained by contacting Dr. Craig C. Brookins (e-mail: craig_Brookins@ncsu.edu).
2. **APPLICATION FORM:** Please complete all information requested.
 - A. Personal data: Typing is not required, but handwritten information must be clearly legible.
 - B. Signature: Permission to announce the names of winners.
 - C. Essay Questions: On a separate sheet of paper, respond to each of the questions listed. This section should be limited to two pages total for all four questions, in no smaller than a 12 point font. Include your name on each page.
3. **TRANSCRIPT:** Obtain a computer printout (unofficial copy) of your NC State transcript (available, free of charge, in the Registration and Records Office, 1000 Harris Hall, or on the web at http://www2.ncsu.edu/ncsu/reg_records/). If you are a recent transfer student to NC State, please submit a transcript from your previous university also.
4. **REFERENCE:** Request **one letter of reference** that addresses your academic and personal strengths. The reference should be from an NC State professor who has taught or mentored you. The professor should seal his or her completed reference form in an envelope, sign it across the flap, and return it to you.
5. Bring or Fax (919-515-9419) your completed scholarship packet to the Africana Studies office at 106 Caldwell Hall. Applicants will be notified of the scholarship decision no later than three-weeks of the submission of their application packet or two-weeks.

¹ This includes programs in countries with a predominantly African descendent population or whose primary focus is on the African experience in those countries. The eligibility of a particularly program will ultimately be determined by Africana Studies and the Africa Project.

AFRICANA STUDIES AND THE AFRICA PROJECT 2005 SPRING BREAK STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

If you have questions about this application or the scholarship program, please call our office at 513-0432 or email us at <mailto:omolabod@ncsu.edu>

SECTION A: Personal Data (please type or print)

Name _____ Student ID# _____

Name/Location of Study Abroad Program _____

Local Mailing Address _____

Local Telephone _____ Email _____

Current Class __FR __SO __JR __SR _____ OTHER Major _____ Cum GPA _____

Number of Semesters Completed At NC State _____

I am unable to participate in a summer study abroad program for the following reasons:

SECTION B: Signature for release of information

I certify that the information given above is correct. If I am the recipient of any scholarship included in this application,

_____ I give permission for my name, the scholarship I received, and the name of my program to be released.

_____ I give permission for my contact information (address, telephone number, email) to be released to other students interested in the study abroad program I have chosen.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

SECTION C: Essay Questions

On a separate sheet of paper, please answer the following four questions:

Answers should be limited to no more than two pages TOTAL for all four questions, in no smaller than a 10 point font. Include your name on each page.

1. Briefly describe any previous experience (i.e., study, travel, work, residence) outside the United States.
2. Please describe the study abroad program in which you plan to participate and why you have selected it. If it is a Non-NC State program please include a brief description of the program site, sponsor, curriculum, and related travel.
3. Please describe the personal benefit and value of your participation in this program in terms of your personal, educational, and/or career interests. Include what your goals abroad are, what you feel you can contribute to the program abroad, and how you think you can use the experience abroad on this campus upon your return.
4. Please provide a summary of your anticipated costs for participation in this program, as well as the source of funds to pay these expenses. In particular, list the source and amount of funds you currently expect to receive as scholarships, financial aid, and/or travel grants; include merit scholarships you receive during the academic year.

Be specific about your level of financial need for studying abroad, and feel free to include information about specific personal or family circumstances. Examples of specific circumstances may include but are not limited to: being one of several siblings currently in college, having unexpected expenses (medical, personal, etc) during the current academic year, being financially responsible for your own education, etc.

PLEASE NOTE:

ALL INFORMATION IS HELD IN STRICT CONFIDENCE!