Mr. Daniel K.C. Shao has generously endowed a fund to help Ohio University students study abroad in Asia. Mr. Shao is one of Hong Kong’s leading businessmen and earned a B.A. in Economics from Ohio University in 1972. He has served on the Alumni Board, the Foundation Board, and has been a very strong supporter of OHIO’s programs, particularly those in Asia.

Grants range from $500 - $1500 for one summer (minimum of four weeks) or semester of study, to a maximum of $3000 for students going abroad for more than one semester.

The amount of the award depends upon the total cost of the program and the degree of financial need of the student. The award can be used to defray expenses for tuition, room and board, travel or other education-related expenses.

Awards will be made on an annual basis i.e., students who are applying for a study program in Asia anytime during the 2016-17 academic year (including summer 2016) must apply by the above deadline.

Eligibility:

- OHIO undergraduate or graduate students in good academic standing
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0
- Students must have their study abroad experiences planned at the time of application and the program must be an approved part of his/her degree program. See the Office of Global Opportunities for more information.
- Enrollment requirements:
  - Semester or academic year – students required to enroll for 12 OHIO credits, or the full-time equivalent, during each term abroad.
  - Summer programs – students required to enroll for a minimum of 6 OHIO credits, or the equivalent.

Applicants do not have to be currently receiving financial aid to be eligible for this award. Students participating in programs sponsored by other universities/organizations are eligible to apply for this grant; however, the proposed program must meet the approval guidelines of the Office of Undergraduate International Admissions or the student’s graduate department.

This is a competitive award. The following factors will be considered in selecting a recipient:

1. Choice of regions or country
   i. Hong Kong, Special Administrative Region.
   ii. Other regions of China, including Taiwan.
   iii. Other Asian countries.
2. Demonstrated interest in Asia (i.e., coursework, extracurricular activities etc.).
3. Merit.
4. Personal suitability (maturity, cultural sensitivity, responsibility).
5. Financial need.

Complete applications must include:

- A completed application form.
- An essay (single-spaced, 1-2 pages) explaining your interest in Asia, the education abroad program you have selected, and why you have chosen that program. If you have previously studied, worked, or lived abroad in Asia, please provide a brief description of the experience or program(s). For internships and/or independent study programs, please include a detailed explanation of proposed project/area of research.
- The most current copy of your DARS or a transcript from OHIO. [Note: graduate students who have completed only one semester of study at OHIO will be asked to submit an undergraduate transcript].
References:
- Two references are required. See pages 5-6 of this application packet for Recommendation Forms.
- To have these forms completed, save each Recommendation Form as a separate document.
- Complete the applicant section of the form, then attach the form to an email and send to the instructor you are asking to write your reference. The referee will complete the reference and email it directly to global.opportunities@ohio.edu.

Submission guidelines:
- **All applications must be submitted electronically. Paper applications will not be accepted.**
- Please email one electronic copy of your completed application form, essay, and a copy of your DARS to Shao Scholarship global.opportunities@ohio.edu. This must be sent from your Catmail account. Copies sent from other email accounts will not be accepted.
- Faculty recommendations must also be submitted electronically.
The Daniel K.C. Shao Study Abroad Scholarship 2016-17 Application

Please type or print clearly.

Name: 

(Last) (First) (MI)

PID #: 

Current Academic Rank: □ FR □ SO □ JR □ SR □ Master's □ Doctoral

Major: 

Minor: 

Cumulative GPA: 

Local Address: 

Street 

City State 

Zip 

Phone 

Permanent Address: 

Street 

City State 

Zip 

Phone 

Ohio University email address

Are you a US citizen or permanent resident alien?

Please list any Asia-related courses that you have taken, including language courses, and the grades received (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

**STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM**

City and country of study: 

Dates of program: , 20

Program sponsor (if applicable, e.g. OHIO, CIEE, SIT, etc.):

Have you been officially accepted into the program? □ no □ yes □ have not yet applied

List the courses you intend to take:

Total number of Ohio University credit hours you expect to receive upon completion of the program:
FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

NOTE: Although the Daniel K.C. Shao Study Abroad Scholarship is not need-based, the review committee recognizes that financial need is an important consideration.

Do you receive financial aid, including loans, grants or scholarships, from Ohio University?  
☐ no  ☐ yes (attach a copy of your most recent award letter)

Do you have a current FAFSA on file at the Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships?  ☐ no  ☐ yes

If you do not have a current FAFSA on file and you feel that you have significant financial need, you must submit a copy of your parents’ 2015 1040 Tax form if you are claimed as a dependent, or your own if you are a financially independent student. Family incomes of $95,000 or more will be considered only if there are extenuating circumstances, which must be described in an attached statement.

Have you applied, or do you intend to apply, for any other study abroad scholarships or grants?  ☐ no  ☐ yes

If yes, please list:

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If you have additional comments which will help the scholarship review committee determine the level of your funding, please attach a statement to this form.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES OF YOUR EDUCATION ABROAD PROGRAM

Tuition: $  
Application fee: $  
Room and board: $  
Excursion fee: $  
Passport/Visa/International Student ID: $  
Books and supplies: $  
International airfare (Round-trip): $  
Local in-country travel: $  
Other (please specify): $  

TOTAL OF ALL EDUCATION ABROAD EXPENSES $  

I certify that all statements made on this scholarship application are true and accurate.

Signed: _____________________________________________  Date: __________________________

Please submit your completed signed application following the submission guidelines above.

Application Deadline: Tuesday, March 1, 2016
This section to be completed by applicant (please print or type):

**Name of Applicant:**

**Country of Proposed Study:**

**Dates of Study:**

**ReferenceRequested From:**

**Department:**

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In an email or a Word document (to be attached to an email), please write an assessment of the candidate that answers the following questions:

- In what capacity and for what length of time have you known the applicant?
- What courses did the applicant take with you?
- Discuss the quality of academic work prepared by the applicant.
- How would you rate this applicant’s intellectual motivation?
- Comment on the applicant’s suitability for study abroad in terms of maturity, cultural sensitivity, creative ability, and responsibility.
- List any special considerations of which the scholarship review committee should be aware.
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