DR. MARVIN SWANSON MAGELLAN EXCHANGE SCHOLARSHIP

awarded twice per year

DESCRIPTION

Having earned a doctorate in world religions, Dr. Marvin Swanson was passionate about culture and international relations. After retiring from Southeast Missouri State University as the Director of International Programs, he founded a non-profit organization called Cultural Exchange Network (Cenet) in 1996 and formally founded The Magellan Exchange in spring 1997. A large part of his vision was to inspire students in the United States, particularly those in the Midwest, to have international experiences and he was passionate about facilitating those exchanges. In honor of his passion and the legacy he left, the Dr. Marvin Swanson Magellan Exchange Scholarship will be awarded twice per year to a deserving student from a U.S. Magellan Exchange partner.

TO APPLY

Applicants should provide 1) a brief statement of need regarding your financial position, including any family, personal or extenuating circumstances. Please also submit 2) a letter from your school's financial aid office detailing your current financial aid package. In addition, applicants must submit 3) a typed 1000-word essay addressing "How does a Magellan Exchange semester abroad relate to your academic and career goals, and what will you do to promote study abroad on your campus upon your return?" and 4) one letter of reference from an academic or professional referee. The application package should be emailed to info@magellanexchange.org. Applicants must also submit their completed online Magellan application (with application fee) by the scholarship deadline.

AWARD

\$500 (FALL SEMESTER/ACADEMIC YEAR EXCHANGE)

\$500 (SPRING SEMESTER EXCHANGE)

DEADLINE

FEBRUARY 25 (FALL SEMESTER/ ACADEMIC YEAR) & SEPTEMBER 25 (SPRING SEMESTER)

DECISIONS WILL BE MADE SHORTLY THEREAFTER.

CRITERIA

BE A STUDENT IN GOOD STANDING AT A U.S. MAGELLAN INSTITUTION, HOLD A MINIMUM 2.5 GPA, AND DEMONSTRATE A FINANCIAL NEED.

