PETER M. WEIL ANTHROPOLOGY TRAVEL AWARD
APPLICATION for FUNDING SUPPORT

DESCRIPTION

The Peter M. Weil Anthropology Travel Award was created in honor of Professor Weil, a scholar of art and politics in Africa, who served on the faculty of the Department of Anthropology for more than four decades. Throughout his career, Professor Weil advocated tirelessly for undergraduate research and mentored undergraduate scholars in the U.S. and abroad. He understands that opportunities for undergraduates to conduct original research are essential as they imagine their place in the world and go on to graduate studies, public service, and activism. This Award will aid the next generation of undergraduate anthropology students at the University of Delaware in their exploration of our rapidly changing world. The research opportunities this Award supports will broaden students’ knowledge and promote understanding of the impact their lives as anthropologists can have on the world and its diverse peoples.

Undergraduate research in anthropology engages students’ passions and develops the skills they will need to become leaders in comparative cross-cultural studies, global health and well-being, social and environmental justice, heritage studies, and in many other local and global arenas. Eligible research includes field, laboratory, and archival research in any of the four major sub-fields of anthropology (biological anthropology, cultural anthropology, archaeology, or anthropological...
linguistics). The Award is intended to provide a foundation of support and we encourage students to use it to match funds from other sources. Each awardee will receive a letter of recommendation from the Department Chair confirming the academic value and ethical merit of the project, and the student’s ability to complete the research. Funds must be used for travel-related expenses incurred in the process of undertaking independent research. Awards are normally for a maximum of up to $500; however, in some circumstances they may exceed that amount.

Applications may be submitted to the Department Chair throughout the calendar year up to the deadline of March 15. Decisions on awards will be announced by April 15. Applicants for projects requiring funding earlier in the Spring or during the Fall may request to have their proposals considered for early decision (please explain and specify the date by which a decision is needed in such cases). All projects must have a faculty sponsor from the permanent faculty of the Department of Anthropology, University of Delaware. All proposals should use the attached form.
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Date: __________________________________________________________

Name: __________________________________________________________________________

Student ID Number: ___________________________________________________________________

Campus Address: _____________________________________________________________________

Phone: __________________________________________________________________________

Email address: _____________________________________________________________________

Home Address: _____________________________________________________________________

Home Phone No.: ____________________________________________________________________

Title of Research Project: _______________________________________________________________________

Faculty Advisor: _______________________________________________________________________

Dates of Research Project: _______________________________________________________________________

Please provide

• 300-word description of your project, detailing the nature of the project, the location, and the duration, and including a brief statement of how the project specifically enhances your undergraduate training.

• Detailed schedule and travel budget for the project, including airfare, housing, costs of daily living, transportation, visa and vaccines and international health insurance for international travel. (Contact University of Delaware Institute for Global Studies for more detailed information and requirements re: international travel).

• Copies of any additional relevant materials (e.g., more in-depth project proposal or prospectus, etc.)

• Letter of support from your faculty sponsor

• Updated copy of your grade transcript

Please note: Students planning research involving Human Subjects will need to submit a research protocol for approval by the Institutional Review Board (see http://www.udel.edu/research/preparing/irb-sop.html). A final report discussing the research travel will be required of the awardee.