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DAVIS PROJECTS FOR PEACE
100 projects for peace funded at \$10,000 each

(Davis Projects for Peace website: <http://www.kwd100projectsforpeace.org/>)
We encourage all applicants to visit this website for more detailed information about the program

TYPE: Nomination by Mount Holyoke College is required for all undergraduates. Mount Holyoke may submit one proposal for funding and one or two additional proposals as alternates that might also be funded. If you wish to apply, please contact Kimberly Parent, Interim Coordinator & Advisor for Scholarships, Fellowships, Pre-Law, and Graduate School, in the Career Development Center to discuss your plans.

PURPOSE: In its third year, the Davis Projects for Peace invites undergraduates at the American colleges and universities in the Davis United World College Scholars Program (including Mount Holyoke College) to design grassroots projects that they will implement during the summer of 2008. Through a competition on over 90 campuses, these 100 projects judged to be the most promising and do-able will be funded at \$10,000 each. The objective is to encourage and support today's motivated youth to create and tryout their own ideas for building peace.

The Davis Projects for Peace is made possible by Kathryn Wasserman Davis, an accomplished internationalist and philanthropist. On the occasion of her 100th birthday in February of 2007, Mrs. Davis, mother of Shelby M.C. Davis who funds the Davis UWC Scholars Program, chose to celebrate by committing \$1 million for one hundred Projects for Peace. Because of the many marvelous achievements made by students, Mrs. Davis is continuing the Davis Projects for Peace for the summer of 2009.

ELIGIBILITY: Must be an undergraduate (including seniors who would complete their projects after graduation), or groups of students from the same campus may also apply.

SELECTION CRITERIA: The "project for peace" may be defined by the student and should encourage creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship. The overall program is to be worldwide in scope and impact, but specific projects may be undertaken anywhere and as grassroots as desired, including in the U.S. Final review and approval of all recommended proposals from individual campuses rests solely with the office of the Davis UWC Scholarship Program which will forward the appropriate grant funds to each school with winning project(s). Grants are made upon assurance that the project proposed will, in fact, be undertaken during the summer of 2009.

AWARDS: The intention is to fund 100 projects, with at least one at each of the Davis UWC Scholar schools. While Davis funding per project is limited to \$10,000, projects with larger budgets are welcome as is co-funding from other sources (such as other philanthropists, a college or university, foundation, NGO/PVO or students' own fundraising). Additional funding has also been committed for projects submitted by International House.

PREVIOUS GRANTEES: Two students (one junior; one senior) were awarded funding in 2007 for their project entitled "A Step Towards Health, A Step Towards Peace." The objective for this project was to improve healthcare for 500 orphans in Zimbabwe. In 2008, a senior won for her project "Computers and Childcare: Training Mothers for a Peaceful Future". This project focused on establishing a computer/learning resource center, computer skills training program and childcare center for a home for single mothers and women in situations of homelessness and domestic violence in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Project descriptions are posted on the Foundation's website at <http://www.kwd100projectsforpeace.org/projects.php>.

APPLICATION PROCESS: The designated campus official, Kimberly Parent, Interim Coordinator & Advisor for Scholarships, Fellowships, Pre-Law, and Graduate School, coordinates the application process. Interested students should contact the Interim Coordinator & Advisor for Scholarships, Fellowships, Pre-Law, and Graduate School at the CDC to discuss their proposal. Applicants must submit a preliminary proposal and participate in an interview with the Committee on Fellowships. The Committee will decide after the interview whether to support a student's candidacy.

TIMELINES:

Friday, October 31, 2008

The application process opens. Students are to contact the Interim Coordinator & Advisor for Scholarships, Fellowships, Pre-Law, and Graduate School in the Career Development Center to discuss their application strategy before the beginning of December break.

There will be a mandatory information session for all applicants held on Friday, November 7, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. at the Career Development Center.

PLEASE DO NOT STAPLE, LAMINATE OR BIND ANY PART OF THE APPLICATION FORM OR SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS, AS THEY WILL BE COPIED FOR REVIEW BY THE COMMITTEE ON FELLOWSHIPS!

NOMINATION PROCESS & DEADLINES:

Friday, January 16, 2009

The two-page proposal and one page budget should be submitted electronically to the Interim Coordinator & Advisor for Scholarships, Fellowships, Pre-Law, and Graduate School at the Career Development Center, including:

- A completed **draft of the proposal** (including project goals, project rationale, implementation of objectives, project narrative, sustainability of project, project timeline and activities, project leaders, and conclusion)
- Project **budget proposal/overview** outlining detailed expenses

Monday, January 19 through Monday, January 20, 2009

A special committee consisting of representatives of the Career Development Center, Faculty, Dean's Office, Speaking, Arguing and Writing Center, and the McCulloch Center for Global Initiatives, interviews candidates and provides feedback on applications. One primary and two alternate applications are chosen and students are notified of their candidacy.

Friday, February 6, 2009

Selected candidates electronically submit final versions of their applications

Monday, February 16, 2009

Application proposals must be received by the Davis UWC Office. The CDC will forward all application proposals.

Monday, March 16, 2009

Final decisions on all winning proposal rendered by Davis UWC Scholars office are sent to campus officials.

Tuesday, March 31, 2009

Grant payment letters signed by recipient schools AND student proposers are due. Grant payments to the schools will be made shortly after all agreements have been received by the Davis UWC Scholars office.

Monday, September 14, 2009

Projects are completed during summer of 2009 and final reports are due to the Davis UWC Scholars office on. For each funded project, the responsible student(s) must prepare and submit a final report by **September 14th**. It should be submitted electronically to both the campus official and to the Davis UWC Scholars office. The final report is to be **limited to two pages of narrative** using the final report form posted on the website. The narrative should include: a brief restatement of the project's purpose/plans, actual work completed, outcomes/achievements/failures, and long-term prospects of the initiative. It should also include a one page accounting of the funds expended. Students have the option of including up to 3 digital photos, attaching them to the end of their two-page final report. Final reports are submitted on disk to the Davis UWC office by the authorized campus contact. Reports will be posted on the program's website for all to see and learn from.

Please note that it is your responsibility to ensure that each portion of the application, including letters of recommendation (if applicable), is received by the appropriate deadline. If you will be requesting transcripts from other institutions or letters of recommendation from outside the College (particularly outside the U.S.), please do so immediately, as these materials can take several weeks to reach us. If you anticipate a problem meeting a particular deadline or have any questions concerning your application, please contact Kimberly Parent, Interim Coordinator & Advisor for Scholarships, Fellowships, Pre-Law, and Graduate School at (413) 538-2080.