

ADVENTURE LEARNING GRANT

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Adventure Learning Grant is to challenge students' perspectives, enrich their education, expose them to intellectual risk, and help embody challenge and adventure as integral to a Fairhaven education. The grants will enable Fairhaven students to have extended experiences with cultures outside of the United States and to integrate those experiences into Fairhaven College.



“Corn, Valerio tells me, is life for Guatemalans.”

-Alia Parker, 07-08 Grant Recipient, “Health as a Human Right: Reproductive Rights in Latin America.”

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must have completed at least two quarters at Fairhaven by the end of fall quarter, 2008, and must be committed to returning to Fairhaven for three quarters following the period of the Adventure Learning Grant.



SELECTION CRITERIA

The student designs the learning project to take place somewhere in the world that challenges the student's assumptions and perspective. Recipients are selected by a committee of Fairhaven faculty, alumni, and students on the following criteria:

- Creativity and ingenuity
- Likelihood of challenge to perspective
- Extent to which culture of destination differs from culture with which student is familiar
- Commitment to integrating the Adventure Learning experience into the Fairhaven community
- Probability that student will make full use of the Adventure Learning Grant opportunity
- Awareness of importance of learning respectfully from others.

“Lesson one in Tajik social networks: Neighbors!”

-Michaela Rollins, 06-07 Grant Recipient, “After Perestroika: A Look at Post-Soviet Women.”



“Being a native English speaker is both my privilege and my obstacle.”

-Eric Vermeers, 07-08 Grant Recipient, “Crossroads In The Himalaya: Buddhist Communities Between Cultural Conservation & Neo-Liberalism.”

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **November 6, 2008**
Applications due
- **November 24, 2008**
Grant recipients announced
- **Winter and Spring, 2009**
Preparation
- **Summer and Fall, 2009**
Departure

For more information about the Adventure Learning Grant, see the **Frequently Asked Questions** on the website:

www.wvu.edu/depts/fairhaven

“What better way to learn about cultures and languages than a total immersion in both?”

-Tyson Minck, 07-08 Grant Recipient, “The Bicycle’s Impact on South America, a Dyslexic Perspective: Peru to Brazil via Chile, Argentina and Uruguay.”

QUESTIONS?

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