

## 2012 Charles O. and Margaret Lerche Travel Grant for IPCR/EPGA Graduate Students

This grant was created in honor of Charles O. Lerche, former professor of International Relations and former SIS Dean, and is awarded to a continuing IPCR/EPGA graduate student. Grants are intended to provide support to outstanding IPCR/EPGA graduate students pursuing practical learning experiences or research in the field of International Peace and Conflict Resolution and American peace policy. Grants may be applied toward international or domestic travel related to SRP/thesis research, internship experience or conference attendance. The grant is intended for students who, without funding, may otherwise be unable to travel. Multiple grants will be awarded per year, depending on the funding requested in submitted applications.

### Eligibility

This grant is awarded annually to an IPCR/EPGA student who meets the following criteria:

1. Currently enrolled in the IPCR/EPGA MA program
2. Has maintained a 3.5 GPA
3. Has completed a minimum of 9 credit hours
4. Demonstrated promise in their scholastic achievements and their commitment to IPCR principles (social justice, peace education, service)

### Application Materials:

IPCR/EPGA MA students should prepare a proposal that outlines a well-planned and feasible undertaking. Students may apply for any amount of travel support up to \$2,000. The application should specifically include:

1. Lerche Application Form  
(download fillable form: <http://www.american.edu/sis/ipcr/IPCR-Awards.cfm>)
2. Research/Internship Proposal or Conference Explanation, including:
  - a. Detailed plan of action
  - b. Relevance to student's program of study and IPCR principles
  - c. Feasibility of the research
3. Supporting in-country documents
4. Estimated budget
5. Unofficial transcript
6. Resume
7. The name of a faculty member who will supervise the project/internship
8. Any other supporting documents

Application materials should be emailed to [peace@american.edu](mailto:peace@american.edu) by **February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012**.

### Other Requirements

If traveling abroad, all students participating in university sponsored travel must carry international travel insurance. All students will need to complete the Graduate Global Practicum form and return it to the SIS Graduate Advising Office: <http://www.american.edu/sis/gradadvising/upload/Graduate-Global-Practicum-Orientation-2.pdf> If awarded a travel grant, the awardee is required to submit a one page summary report of the travel experience to the IPCR Program Coordinator upon return, and may be required to submit additional information for the IPCR website, IPCR related panels and/or AU publications.

### Contact

Please contact IPCR Coordinator, Rebecca Davis, with any questions: 202.885.1622, [peace@american.edu](mailto:peace@american.edu).