CMC Presidential India Fellowship Program

The Center for Global Education announces the CMC Presidential India Fellowship Program, beginning in summer 2014. The eight-week fellowship is located in Delhi, India, and co-sponsored with the Association of Indian Mediators. President Hiram Chodosh will serve as a mentor to the fellowship recipients prior to, during, and after the fellowship period.

The fellowship will provide CMC students with a rich opportunity to conduct research, develop personal and professional responsibility, and gain significant international experience by living and working in Delhi, a vital capital city. Two fellowships will be awarded in 2014, with each recipient receiving a stipend of $5000 to offset the cost of international travel and visas, local transportation, and living expenses in India. The fellowship is open to CMC sophomores and juniors with a minimum GPA of 10.0.

The Association of Indian Mediators was established in 2011 as a national body comprised of lawyer mediators from around the country. Members of the Association are attorneys who are committed to mediation as the best form of alternative dispute resolution. The Association aims to understand, assimilate, utilize, and synchronize the latest trends and knowledge in the field of mediation as an alternative to the formal court system. The CMC Presidential India Fellows, based at the Association of Indian Mediators, will have a range of responsibilities, including:

1. Meeting with President Hiram Chodosh and mediation experts in southern California prior to departing on the fellowship
2. Assisting with the institutional development of the Association of Indian Mediators
3. Conducting research under the supervision of a senior Indian mediator
4. Researching mediation models and their application to India
5. Developing and writing mediation case studies; website development and marketing

The Fellowship includes a home stay with a senior Indian attorney and mediator. The proposed timing of the Fellowship is late June – late August. Travel to other centers in India may also be included. Students from all majors are encouraged to apply. Application packets are available in the CMC Center for Global Education.

Applications are due on Monday, March 10, 2014
Please submit to Aleta Wenger
Executive Director for International Programs
Center for Global Education
aleta.wenger@cmc.edu
Fellowship Description:

The CMC Presidential India Fellowship Program is an eight-week fellowship located in Delhi, India, co-sponsored with the Association of Indian Mediators. CMC President Hiram Chodosh will serve as a mentor to the fellowship recipients. Two fellowships will be awarded in summer, 2014, with a stipend of $5000 each, to offset the cost of international travel, visas, local transportation, and living expenses. Students will conduct research, assist with the institutional development of the Association of Indian Mediators, and develop and write mediation case studies. Opportunity for travel within India may also be included in the fellowship.

Eligibility:

• Open to CMC sophomores and juniors with a minimum GPA of 10.0
• Applicants must be in good standing with the College as verified by the Office of the Dean of Students
• All majors are encouraged to apply

Requirements:

• Submit the attached fellowship application packet by March 10, 2014, including the following:
  1. Signed consent statement
  2. Responses to three essay questions
  3. Writing sample – research or analytical paper
  4. Updated resume
  5. Transcripts for all undergraduate work
  6. Two passport sized photos
  7. Photocopy of the information page of your passport w/passport expiration date
  8. Two faculty letters of recommendation
• Fellowship recipients are expected to complete the requirements of INT 199: Internship for academic credit
• The Fellowship is for a period of not less than eight weeks and 200 hours
• The Fellowship period is from the end of June until the end of August
• Meeting with representatives from the Association of Indian Mediators and local mediation experts is recommended (pending confirmation of a mediation workshop at CMC in May, 2014)

• Recipients who fail to complete the eight week fellowship and required INT 199 coursework may be required to return all or part of their award

• Fellowship recipients are responsible for obtaining a valid passport and visa to India. Please make sure that your passport will not expire within six months of the fellowship period, as the Government of India only issues visas on passports that are valid for at least six months beyond the end of the trip.

• Fellowship recipients are responsible for making their own round trip travel arrangements to Delhi, in consultation with the Association of Indian Mediators, and for adhering to all CMC, U.S. Government, and Government of India travel regulations when traveling to India and within India

Selection Criteria:
The Selection Committee will evaluate the applications based on the following:

• The applicant’s rationale for undertaking the fellowship

• Previous research experience, essay questions, and writing sample

• Demonstrated preparation for living and working in another culture

• Faculty recommendations, academic preparation, and transcripts

• Final interview in person or by skype

CMC’s International Travel Policy:
Applicants must meet the requirements of CMC’s International Travel Policy (dated October 21, 2013), as follows:

• CMC students are responsible for their own safety when traveling internationally, whether or not their fellowship abroad is funded by or through CMC awards or is accorded credit by CMC.

• CMC will not fund, award credit for, or otherwise sponsor or support any international academic or extracurricular project in any destination for which any of: the U.S. State Department (http://travel.state.gov/), Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (http://www.dfat.gov.au/), Foreign Affairs & International Trade Canada
(http://www.international.gc.ca/international/index.aspx) or the United Kingdom Foreign & Commonwealth Office (http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/), has issued a warning that orders departure of dependents and non-emergency personnel; recommends that citizens depart the country; advises citizens against all travel to the destination; or recommends that citizens defer non-essential travel to the destination.

- In destinations and sphere of travel determined to be of “Elevated Risk” travelers are required to have parents or guardians sign destination specific travel waivers.

- Safety restrictions apply for the duration of the travel and fellowship award. If a warning comes into effect after the date of departure, the College reserves the right to end its sponsorship at that time, and to require the student to end the trip and leave the country. Such determinations will be made on a case by case basis.

**Supplemental Medical Insurance:**

Every student sponsored by CMC for international travel is required to have emergency health insurance through iNext. Do not purchase iNext insurance on your own. If you are selected for the fellowship, CMC will purchase this emergency health insurance on your behalf.

For More Information about the Fellowship or the Application, please contact:

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Executive Director for International Programs  
Center for Global Education  
Heggblade Center  
E: aleta.wenger@cmc.edu  
P: 909.607.7910
Presidential India Fellowship Program
Center for Global Education
Application Form
Application Due Date: March 10, 2014

Part I: GENERAL INFORMATION

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Faculty Recommender #1

Faculty Recommender #2

Additional Information Required:

Passport Number: __________________________     Expiration Date: __________________

S.S. Number: _____________________________     Citizenship: _______________________

Date of Birth: _____________________________     City of Birth: _____________________

CONSENT STATEMENT

I give permission for my faculty recommendation forms, transcripts, and other application materials relevant to my participation in the CMC Presidential India Fellowship to be consulted as necessary by authorized individuals involved in student selection and the operation of the program.

I give permission to the Registrar to release college transcripts, as required, to the CMC Center for Global Education.

By signing this form, if selected, I agree to attend a fellowship orientation program co-sponsored by the Center for Global Education and the Kravis Leadership Institute.

Applicant's Signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________
Part II: ESSAY QUESTIONS

Please submit answers to the following three questions with your fellowship application. The answers should be typed, double-spaced and not more than 350 words for each answer.

a) Please provide a brief statement describing why you are applying for the CMC Presidential India Fellowship, and how the fellowship relates to your future academic or professional goals.

b) What type of research and writing experience(s) have you had in your academic courses, internships, or work experiences?

c) In your view, what role can mediation play in the resolution of conflict?

Part III: WRITING SAMPLE

Please submit a writing sample from one of your courses at CMC or another college in Claremont. The writing sample should be an academic research or analytical paper.

Part IV: UPDATED RESUME

Please submit a copy of your updated resume with the application packet.

Part V: TRANSCRIPTS

Please submit a copy of your undergraduate transcripts. A copy from the CMC portal is acceptable.

Part VI: PHOTOS

Please submit two passport-size photos with the application. Passport photos are available at the Claremont Card Center (CUC Connection).

Part VII: PHOTOCOPY OF OFFICIAL TRAVEL DOCUMENT

**Passports:** Please include a photocopy of the identification page of your passport with the application. Please make sure that your passport will not expire within six months of the fellowship period.

**Note on Indian Visas:** Visitors to India must obtain a visa prior to entering the country. The visa approval process for India can sometimes be time consuming. Students are encouraged to submit their visa applications early to ensure that they will be issued visas by June, 2014.
Part VIII: FACULTY FORM AND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Two faculty recommendations are required for the Presidential India Fellowship Program. The Faculty Recommendation Form is attached to this application.

Please request that your recommenders forward the Faculty Recommendation Form and Letter of Recommendation to the CMC Center for Global Education (Heggblade Center) in a sealed envelope with the signature of the recommender on the outside flap of the envelope.

Faculty Recommendations are due by Monday, March 10, 2014.
FACULTY RECOMMENDATION FORM

TO THE APPLICANT: Please complete and sign the portion immediately below and submit this form to two faculty members who are familiar with your academic work and personal qualifications for the CMC Presidential India Fellowship Program.

Name of Applicant (print):

I prefer that this evaluation be: □ Open for my inspection or □ Confidential (right of access waived per Buckley Amendment). I agree that the Dean of Students may refer to any appropriate information from my records at The Claremont Colleges and the evaluation may be reviewed by those who are involved in the administration of the program.

Applicant’s Signature ___________________________ Date ____________

TO THE RECOMMENDER: The afore-mentioned student has applied to the CMC Presidential India Fellowship Program. This is a summer fellowship located in Delhi, India, with rigorous research and writing components. Please submit a letter of recommendation, in addition to completing the form below. This is an internal document for program selection only. Please turn in the letter of recommendation and form to the Center for Global Education by March 10, 2014.

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