

STUDY ABROAD!

THE FREEMAN FOUNDATION
COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PROGRAM



Intensive Language
Training, Study Abroad
and Service Learning in:

- CHINA
- JAPAN
- KOREA
- VIETNAM

Freeman Foundation Scholarships
for UH Community Colleges
2014



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BENEFITS

- You can improve your foreign language skills and acquire global competencies for your career.
- You earn college credits while learning about a second language and culture.
- Study abroad opens your window to the world. Your perspectives will be broadened and future employers will value your experience.
- Study abroad allows you to educate yourself about the ever-expanding global economy and market.
- Study abroad enriches the home campus experience; you return with a greater degree of independence, confidence, teamwork, problem-solving skills, and ability to adapt to change.

FREEMAN FOUNDATION

In 1993, after the death of Mansfield Freeman, one of the founders of the *American International Group (AIG)*, the Freeman Foundation was established. Mr. Freeman, an educator and scholar began a lifelong love affair with Asia when he took up a teaching position in the early 1900s at Tsinghua University in Beijing, China. This was going to have profound implications for East-West understanding for generations to come.

In the words of Mansfield Freeman, the purpose for setting up the Foundation "*... is to strengthen bonds of friendship between this country and those of the Far East; to develop a greater appreciation of [East-Asian] cultures in this country and a better understanding of American institutions and purposes on the part of the peoples of East Asia; and to stimulate an exchange of ideas in economic and cultural fields which will help create mutual understanding and thus lessen the danger of such frictions and disagreements as [could] lead to war.*"

Under the leadership of Houghton Freeman, the Freeman Foundation has supported the establishment of many Asian-related educational programs at American institutions, including University of Hawai'i - Kapi'olani Community College and the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa.

OVERVIEW

KCC (University of Hawai'i-Kapi'olani Community College) has been awarded a total of \$3.6 million in grants to develop intensive courses in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Vietnamese as Second Languages (CSL, JSL, KSL and VSL) and related culture courses, and a field study program with a service-learning component with partner institutions in China, Japan, Korea, and Vietnam. Each semester, ten full-time UH community college students will be selected on a competitive basis to participate in this two-semester program.

In the **first semester**, the selected students will study intensive CSL, JSL, KSL, or VSL (5 hours/day x 5 days/week for the semester) at KCC. The program will be a content-based instruction combined with intensive language training in the target language.

In the **second semester**, they will participate in courses in language, history and culture. There also will be a service-learning component in the program.

The Freeman Foundation Community College Scholarship Program provides a unique opportunity for the 7 community colleges in the UH system to acquire a second language and a study abroad experience.

01. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Be a citizen of the United States
- Be a full-time student (9 or more credits) in one of the community colleges in the UH system.
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0
- Be a beginner in the language
- No knowledge of target language is required.

No more than college level 101 in the target language is acceptable.

02. APPLICATION

SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

1. Application
2. Official Transcripts
3. Two letters of Recommendation from Faculty and/or Administrators
4. A 2-3 page double-spaced personal statement as to why you wish to participate in this program.

Application forms and information may be obtained on our Website. (See CONTACT)

SEND ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS TO:

Kapi'olani Community College
c/o Honda International Center
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03. CONTACT

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04. YOUR ITINERARY

This is a two-semester program. You will spend the first semester at the University of Hawai'i - Kapi'olani Community College on the island of O'ahu. Those who successfully complete this phase of the program will spend the second semester in China, Japan, Korea, or Vietnam.

THIS SCHOLARSHIP INCLUDES SUPPORT FOR: First Semester at KCC

- Tuition, room, books and most meal
- **Second Semester in CHN, JPN, KOR, or VNM**
- Round-trip airfare from Honolulu to China, Japan, Korea, or Vietnam
- Local transportation within the country
- Tuition, room, books and most meals
- Stipend

05. IMPORTANT DATES

THE PROGRAM BEGINS IN:

- 2014 Japan Program Summer Session 2014
- 2014 China Program Fall Session 2014

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

- 2014 Japan Program March 21, 2014
- 2014 China Program March 21, 2014