## STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIPS COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT

The Charles T. McDowell Center for Critical Languages and Area Studies announces competition for the **Betty and Roger Ruch Study-abroad Scholarships** for the 2011-2012 academic year. The awards for up to \$2,000 are open to all qualified undergraduates and can be used in disciplines within the College of Liberal Arts and other component parts of the University of Texas at Arlington. These awards are to be used in conjunction with study-abroad programs – particularly those focused on critical languages - but also for area studies generally. They are not intended to be sole sources of funding for projects.

## Requirements:

- 1) Applicants must submit a letter of interest (not an e-mail) describing the project or program to be undertaken. This may include university study abroad/travel programs, summer study abroad programs, or other university-affiliated study-abroad programs. For students wishing to build or strengthen their language skills the awards are exclusively for what are defined as critical or less-commonly taught languages including Arabic, Azerbaijani, Bangla/Bengali, Chinese (Mandarin), Dari, Farsi (Persian), Hausa, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Pashto, Punjabi, Russian, Swahili, Turkish, and Urdu. Students who are native speakers of these languages may not apply for awards relating to these languages or their country of origin.
- 2) A resume indicating education and job experiences.
- 3) Transcript of all college-level work.
- 4) Two (2) letters of recommendation from full-time tenured or tenure-track UTA faculty members.
- 5) Full-time enrollment (12+ hours) at UTA, and sophomore standing of 45 hours.
- 6) Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above.
- 7) Applicants must be United States citizens or permanent residents of the U.S.
- 8) Post-completion report. The recipient must prepare a presentation of their work to the scholarship committee, or in a college or university-wide venue.

Application Deadlines: **June 15** for Fall and **rolling applications** for Summer 2012! Applications should be directed to:

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