

**University of Pennsylvania Social Policy & Practice  
Application for Participation in  
International Programs**

**Please EMAIL this completed application to:**

Ms. Laurie Jensen  
Academic Affairs Coordinator  
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**Detailed information about each program can be found on the SP2 International Programs Website.**

**PART I: PROGRAM FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING**

- Puerto Rico (Summer 2014):** Fajardo Housing Works Program
- China (Summer 2014):** Beijing Normal University Global Internship Base Program
- Finland (Summer 2014):** Exchange with University of Lapland (sponsored by the University of Vermont)
- India (Summer 2014):** Post-Colonial Social Work Practice: International Social Welfare in India

**Application Deadlines:**

Finland Exchange Program: **10/31/13**

All other programs: **1/15/2014**

**PART II: PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

SP2 Degree Program:       MSW       MSSP       NPL       PhD       DSW

Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Academic Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**PART II: PRIOR INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCES AND LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Identify your skills in languages other than English (using the following letter scale, rate your ability in each language identified: A [fluent]; B [can get by] to C [would need substantial help to get by]):

Language(s)	Speaking Ability	Reading Ability	Writing Ability	Comments

Identify any significant prior international traveling or study abroad experiences, listing the most recent experiences first:

Country Visited	Purpose of Visit	Dates & Duration

Comments about prior traveling or study abroad experiences:

**PART III. PLAN FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDY**

**The following 3 questions are to be completed by ALL applicants:**

Discuss your reasons for wanting to participate in the program for which you are applying.

In what ways do you expect this program to contribute to your professional development?

In what ways do you expect your participation in this program to contribute to the profession's knowledge or skill base in your country of origin?

**PART IV: FINANCIAL PLAN**

Briefly discuss how you plan to finance your participation in the exchange program. You must also complete the next page of this application to indicate whether you are applying for a travel award from the Student Study Abroad Travel Fund.

**PART V: REFERENCE LETTER(S)**

Please request your Academic Advisor to forward a brief recommendation to Ms. Laurie Jensen at [lauriej@sp2.upenn.edu](mailto:lauriej@sp2.upenn.edu) concerning your application for participation in the program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## The Student Study Abroad Travel Fund

### Purpose:

To provide limited financial assistance to students who are interested in participating in a credit-accruing, SP2-sponsored, Study Abroad experience. The aid will take the form of partial payment of the cost of airfare between Philadelphia and the student's international host institution. These awards, however, will not cover the full cost of airfare or other travel expenses associated with the Study Abroad experience.

### Criteria for Awards:

1. You currently must be enrolled either full- or part-time in any of SP2's degree-granting programs.
2. You must demonstrate financial need (as per the "Application Process" requirements listed below).
3. You must be committed to undertaking a critical analysis of a social work, social welfare, social policy, or nonprofit leadership issue of relevance to both your country of origin and your host country. .

**Application Process:** First, please tell us whether or not you will be applying for an international travel award:

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

- No, I am not applying for a travel award: (**application is complete**)**
- Yes, I am applying for a travel award: (**answer #1-#2 below**)**

1. Travel awards require demonstration of financial need. In the following box, describe the reasons why you need a travel award in order to participate in the Study Abroad program.
2. Attach an estimate obtained from an airline or travel website for the approximate cost of your air ticket.

**Selection Process:** Decisions regarding the awarding of travel grants will be made by the School's Global Engagement Committee.

**Awards Announcement:** Awards from the *Student Study Abroad Travel Fund* will be announced after all of the applications are received.