

**Ouisconsin - Field Research Scholarship  
Wisconsin Alumni Association-France Chapter  
Guidelines ~ 2011**

**Description:**

The earliest maps of the land that was to become our state were generated by French explorers, who transcribed the Algonquian lexicon according to French grapho-phonemic relations. Many of these early maps carry the term *Ouisconsin*. Cognizant that we live in a world of challenges that increasingly require international solutions, WAA-France wishes to enhance the global competence of UW students. The WAA-France Chapter has created a needs-based grant to support field research in France for an eligible UW student in hopes of enhancing his or her global competence in the tradition of those historic relations between Wisconsin and France.

The selected applicant will demonstrate clear links between current and future research/academic challenges and how this funding will make a difference to the student's academic and/or professional projects within a global context.

The \$3,000 USD grant may be used to cover travel and travel-related expenses (e.g. visa), living costs, or research fees and supplies.

For more information about the mission and activities of the Wisconsin Alumni Association-France Chapter – [www.uwalumni.com/france](http://www.uwalumni.com/france)

**Requirements:**

- Students must be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program at the UW when applying and when completing travel.
- Demonstrated financial need.
- GPA: A minimum grade point average of 3.3 or above in the applicant's major
- Language Proficiency: Proficiency in French (i.e., a minimum of four [4] semesters university-level French or equivalent) is required; other language competency is appreciated.
- Short letter of recommendation from a professor in a relevant field.
- Scholarship recipients will be invited to present their research at a WAA Event and to submit a short document describing their achievements to be used for communications and or promotion of the University of Wisconsin, WAA or this scholarship.

**Proposal:**

Using the form attached, please describe the following:

- I. Executive Summary
- II. Justification/Background
- III. Field research plan
- IV. Timeline
- V. Budget - itemized

Please also attach a current unofficial transcript and a letter of recommendation.

**Application Deadline:**

Please submit your application to Marianne T. Bird Bear, Assistant Dean, Department of International Studies no later than 14 February 2011, close of business. The Selection Committee, which will include at least one representative of the Wisconsin Alumni Association – France Chapter, will communicate its decision no later than 4 April 2011.

**Questions?**

Please contact Marianne T. Bird Bear, Assistant Dean – Department of International Studies & Programs, tel. +1 (608) 262-1335, email: [mtbirdbear@international.wisc.edu](mailto:mtbirdbear@international.wisc.edu).

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Application Form ~ 2011**

**APPLICANT DATA**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Email 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Email 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Current address: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent address: \_\_\_\_\_

Department/School: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA (in major): \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your French and other language proficiency (highest course number or other): \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Financial Need (please provide any supporting documents demonstrating financial need): \_\_\_\_\_

**PROPOSAL**

- I. **Executive Summary:** Describe your proposal in one paragraph.
  
- II. **Justification/Background:** Why should you receive this support and how have/are you prepared? How would this research trip affect future academic/professional plans? (approximately 300 words)
  
- III. **Field Research Plan:** Describe your proposed plans.
  
- IV. **Timeline**
  
- V. **Budget (itemized):** Provide a breakdown of how the grant money would be used. All amounts should be in US\$. Include subtotals by category.

I have attached an unofficial UW transcript

A letter of recommendation is included/will be provided by: \_\_\_\_\_ of (Department or School) \_\_\_\_\_, email: \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ouisconsin – Wisconsin Alumni Association-France  
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Committee ~ 2011**

**Janine Brimbal** (BS '71), Janine Brimbal holds a BS from the UW-Madison in Education and an MA in Performing Arts from American University, Washington, D.C. Ms. Brimbal has been active in education as a teacher, parent, trainer, and advocate for over 40 years. She has worked with variously-abled populations of all ages in the U.S. and in France in arts, socio-cultural and linguistic education. Currently active in European social work education and several non-profit associations, Ms Brimbal is proud to contribute to the global development of the University of Wisconsin.

**Dr. Abdul Waheed Khan**, (MS '70, PhD '73) has led UNESCO's Communication and Information sector since 2001. In this capacity, Dr. Khan is responsible for advancing the global standard setting and coordinating and implementing concrete projects for harnessing the power of communication and information for development. He provides global leadership in promoting freedom of expression and press freedom, media independence, and pluralism, as well as the development of communication and access to information and knowledge through media and Information Communication Technology (ICT).

During his many years of work in designing, planning, and managing ICT applications in education, sciences, culture, agriculture, and rural development, Dr. Khan has worked for international organizations including the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), and the World Bank. Dr. Khan holds a Ph.D. in Mass Communication (1973) and a Master's degree in Agricultural Journalism (1970) from University of Wisconsin-Madison and a Master's degree in Agricultural Extension (1965) from Agra University, India.

**Jennifer Korpinen**, (BS '95), is a Senior Manager in the International Corporate Tax Group of KPMG LLP in Paris since 2006. Prior to joining KPMG's U.S. tax group in Paris, she worked with KPMG's international corporate tax group in Phoenix, Arizona and San Francisco, California. Before endeavoring on a career in law, she worked as a labor relations negotiator and contract administrator with S.E.I.U. in California and also held full-time positions in non-profit organizations. She has a law degree from University of San Francisco (J.D. '01) and an Undergraduate Degree in Zoology from UW-Madison. She is a native of Wisconsin.

**Jenny Pilling**, (MA '92, BA '90), is a Career Development Officer at UNESCO. Prior to joining UNESCO, she worked for the UN's Department of Peacekeeping in New York and in Kosovo. Previously, this native of Wisconsin worked in project and program administration at the University of Chicago and in Washington, D.C. at the Esquel Group Foundation and the Inter-American Dialogue. She has a master's degree in Portuguese and completed undergraduate majors in Latin American and Iberian Studies and in Portuguese. In addition to serving on the Steering Committee, Jenny and Janine Brimbal have organized the annual career event in Paris after launching it in 2007.

**Kyle Schneider**, (BS '00), is the Director of the Languages Department at the Graduate School of Journalism and Communications (CELSA) of the Sorbonne University where he also serves as a lecturer and researcher in rhetoric. Prior to this, Schneider held public relations and development positions in the External Relations Directorate General of the European Commission and Marymount International School, Paris in addition to lecture positions at the Haute Ecole de Commerce (HEC), the Sorbonne Nouvelle University and the University of Marne-la-Vallée. Schneider is also the acting President of the steering committee for the Wisconsin Alumni Association's France Chapter. He holds a Master's Degree in Political Science from Dauphine University, a Master's Degree in European Geopolitics from the University of Marne-la-Vallée and a Bachelor of Science Degree in International Relations from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

**Lori Zembinski**, (BA '83), has a degree in Art History and after graduating from UW-Madison volunteered at the Pabst Mansion in Milwaukee, setting up their first art inventory system. She soon moved to Evanston, IL where she started her Financial Services career. Lori enjoyed living in Chicago and while there earned a Master's degree from DePaul University (MBA '93). Having worked at Citibank and Discover Financial Services, Lori moved to London in 2005 to take a Marketing Management position with Morgan Stanley. Lori moved to Paris in 2008 and thoroughly enjoys exploring her new home town each and every day.