The School of Languages and Cultures (SLC) are offering Exchange Scholarships in 2017 to assist enrolled students with travel costs incurred in studying overseas.

Each Exchange Scholarship will provide the airfare to the designated country in the maximum amount of $4,500. The SLC Board of Academic Programs Committee will manage and provide recommendations to the Head of School for allocation of the Scholarships.

**ELIGIBILITY AND PREFERENCE CRITERIA. PLEASE ALSO REFER TO DECLARATION BELOW**

1. Eligibility is confined to students who are enrolled in degree programs offered by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences intending to study overseas in semester 1 or semester 2 2017, either on formal University of Sydney Exchange Programs, or through independent arrangements approved by the department.

2. Intended use of the scholarship is for one semester and subjects taken overseas must be equivalent to a total of 18 credit points or more.

3. Only students working towards a language major and in at least their second year at university will be considered. Preference will be given to students who have shown evidence of an intention and the capacity to undertake Honours in the target language.

4. Decisions on choosing recipients will be based on high achievement in academic performance, both overall and in language units of study, as well as on evidence of the importance of language study within a student’s degree program and career path.

**CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS**

30th September 2016.

**IF YOU MEET THE ABOVE CRITERIA, FORWARD YOUR APPLICATION TO:**

School of Languages & Cultures
Room 506, Level 5, Brennan MacCallum Building A18
University of Sydney NSW 2006
Tel: +61 2 9351 2869
Email: arts.slcadmin@sydney.edu.au
LANGUAGE EXCHANGE SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION FORM

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Student ID Number: ______________________________________________

Language Major(s): ________________________________________________

Designated University Country: ______________________________________

Phone number: ____________________________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________________________

In which semester and year do you intend to study overseas? Semester ______ Year ______

Do you intend to take Honours? YES / NO

Have you received an official acceptance from your host university? YES / NO

If yes, please enclose a copy of your acceptance letter.
If no, please send this to our office when you receive it.
Please outline in approximately 200 words how your study overseas will contribute to your degree program and career path.

Signature of Applicant:______________________________ Date:________________________
LANGUAGE EXCHANGE SCHOLARSHIP DECLARATION

Please read the declaration below and sign to accept its stipulations.

1. The award of the Language Exchange Scholarship is given on the proviso that you will be using it for the travel and study plans you have provided to us, as well as those provided to the International Office.

2. Important: If your plans change significantly before or after payment, (e.g. you decide not to go, you change the dates of travel to another semester), you may be required to repay the monies. In any case, please advise us immediately.

3. In many circumstances during the tenure of the scholarship and your time overseas, others may see your academic performance, reliability, courtesy and general behaviour not only as personal characteristics, but also as representative of the standards of the University of Sydney. It is your responsibility to be a good ambassador for the University.

4. It is strongly recommended that all students on exchange arrange their own insurance policy prior to leaving Australia. The University’s Public Liability and Professional Indemnity policies is not a comprehensive policy and only covers students while they are undertaking University activities. Please contact the University’s Risk Management section for more details on these policies: http://sydney.edu.au/audit_risk/insurance/ or phone (02) 9351 4127.

5. If you are in receipt of Youth Allowance, you should seek caseworker help from SRC: http://srcusyd.net.au/src-help/ They will help you to minimise the impact the scholarship may have on Youth allowance income. You must inform Centrelink that you are going on exchange well before you leave.

6. The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) issues travel warnings to Australians travelling for non-essential purposes. Student exchange is considered non-essential. Prior to leaving on an overseas trip, reference should be made to the DFAT travel advice: http://dfat.gov.au/travel/Pages/travel.aspx No travel should be undertaken to any area for which a warning advising against travel has been issued.

7. The SLC Language Exchange Scholarship is a Secondary Scholarship. As such, it can be awarded in addition to a Primary Scholarship. However, certain restrictions apply:
   a. The Language Exchange Scholarship cannot be awarded more than once to the same student
   b. The Language Exchange Scholarship cannot be held in conjunction with any other funding from SLC, FASS, and other University of Sydney awards that exceeds $6000. If you are offered another scholarship exceeding $6000, you must choose whether you take this or the Language Exchange Scholarship. In any case, you must tell us if you receive any other scholarship

DECLARATION

I have read the Conditions of Award and declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information supplied in this application is true and accurate.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________