



SPRING 2024 BRAD HENRY INTERNATIONAL SCHOLAR APPLICATION

The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE) and the University of Wales, Swansea (Swansea University) are seeking undergraduate students from Oklahoma regional universities who have excellent academic qualifications, outstanding writing and communication skills, exemplary character, demonstrated leadership qualities, maturity and judgment for participation in an exciting student exchange program in Wales in the United Kingdom.

- ▶ **Semester of Study Abroad Program** — Participants will spend the spring academic term, the dates of which approximately coincide with U.S spring academic semester, as students at Swansea University on its campus in Swansea, Wales.

QUALIFICATIONS

Recipients of this award must meet the following criteria at the time of nomination and at the time of participation:

- ▶ Be at least 18 years of age;
- ▶ Be an undergraduate student at the time of their study abroad;
- ▶ Be an Oklahoma resident;
- ▶ Be enrolled full-time at the nominating institution;
- ▶ Be in good academic standing at the nominating institution;
- ▶ Have completed at least 30 hours of college coursework/credits at the nominating institution or through transfer from another institution of higher education (does not include credit hours earned through concurrent enrollment or AP coursework/testing); and
- ▶ Have submitted information, documents, acknowledgments, releases and authorizations as required by the State Regents.

Academic credit for these programs will be awarded by Oklahoma regional universities. Please contact your institutional representative for the Brad Henry International Scholar Program for more information.

APPLICATION: FOR STUDENTS

To apply for designation as a **Brad Henry International Scholar** and participation in the **Semester of Study Abroad Program**, please complete this form and send it, together with the required attachments, to the president of your university:

Required attachments include:

1. **Your resume;**
2. **An official transcript of all college or university work;**
3. **A typewritten essay of approximately 300 words which sets forth your academic and/or professional goals and how your experience as a Brad Henry International Scholar will advance those goals; and**
4. **Two (2) letters of recommendation**

Selected students will also be required to complete the Swansea University Admission Form for Exchange and Visiting Students.

Applications may be made to the president of your university at any time.

SELECTION: FOR PRESIDENTS

The university president will select the institutional nominee for each academic year. The president may submit no more than one (1) institutional nominee to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education by **September 29, 2023**. Please submit application materials to: Janet Jackson at jjackson@osrhe.edu.

State Regents' staff will verify the final selections, at which time the students will be notified.

1. Personal Information

Name: _____
Last, First and Middle Initial

Gender (check one): Male Female

Date of Birth: ____/____/____
Month Day Year

Current Address:

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Current Phone (with area code): _____

Current Email Address: _____

Permanent Address:

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Permanent Phone (with area code): _____

Permanent Email Address: _____

Do you have a valid passport? (check one): Yes No

Have you ever been charged and/or convicted of a criminal offense? (check one): Yes No

If yes, please explain:

2. Contact Information

Please provide the requested information for two persons to be contacted in the event of an emergency.

Contact 1:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Email Address: _____
Last, First and Middle Initial

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Home Phone (with area code): _____ Work Phone (with area code): _____ Cell Phone (with area code): _____

Contact 2:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Email Address: _____
Last, First and Middle Initial

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Home Phone (with area code): _____ Work Phone (with area code): _____ Cell Phone (with area code): _____

3. Academic, Travel and Employment Information

Currently enrolled at _____

At the time of participation, you will be classified as (check one): Junior Senior

Major(s): _____ Minor(s): _____

Expected Graduation Date: ____/____/____ State of legal residence: _____
Term Year

Coursework: Give brief details of any courses taken you deem pertinent to this application.

Overseas Travel: List countries, dates and purpose.

Internship Experience: Give brief details, i.e., sponsoring organization, dates and duties.

Work Experience: Give brief details, i.e., employer, dates and duties.

Additional Information: Please provide any additional information or commentary you think should be considered.

4. References

Please list the names and positions of at least two persons you've asked to write a recommendation. Preferably, they should be persons familiar with your academic work.

Reference 1:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Email Address: _____
Last, First and Middle Initial

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Phone (with area code): _____

Reference 2:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Email Address: _____
Last, First and Middle Initial

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Phone (with area code): _____

5. Health Information

Health information is required for your safety and well-being should you need medical assistance during your time abroad. It is important that program staff be made aware of any medical or emotional problems, past or current, which might affect you in a foreign study context so that they can use their best efforts to reasonably accommodate your individual needs or circumstances. As with other student records, the information will remain confidential and be shared only as needed with program staff, faculty or appropriate healthcare professionals if pertinent to your well-being. By submitting this application, you agree to this described use of your medical and health information. Please attach additional sheets if necessary to respond to the following questions.

- ▶ Are you generally in good physical condition? Yes No
If no, please explain: _____
- ▶ Have you been treated or are you currently being treated for any physical, psychological or emotional conditions? Yes No
If yes, please explain: _____
- ▶ Do you have any allergies? Yes No
If yes, please explain: _____
- ▶ Are you taking any medications? Yes No
If yes, please explain and list: _____
- ▶ Are you on a restricted diet? Yes No
If yes, please explain: _____
- ▶ Is there any additional information (concerning medical conditions or physical disabilities) that would be helpful for the program staff to know during your study abroad? Yes No
If yes, please explain: _____

6. Medical Treatment Authorization

By submitting this application and participating in any program which results from it, you agree that in the event of any illness or injury to you while so participating, you have and do authorize any official representative of the institution in which you are enrolled, or Swansea University, to secure medical treatment on your behalf, including surgery and the administration of an anesthetic, and accept all financial responsibility for such treatment. **Please note that in order to participate in the Brad Henry International Scholars program, you must initial this authorization on your application will be considered ineligible.**

I have read and understood the above requirements (Please initial) _____

7. Required Insurance

You are required to have appropriate health and accident insurance coverage during your participation in any program which results from this application. Required coverage includes basic medical, accidental death and dismemberment, emergency evacuation and repatriation of remains. Such insurance is readily available commercially, may be obtained on-line and generally offers coverage for a specific period of time, which should include both your participation in this program and any international travel before or after the program. You will be required to submit proof of insurance as a condition of participation in the program.

I have read and understood the above requirements (Please initial) _____

8. Conditions of Participation

By making this application for the Brad Henry International Scholars program, you agree to participate fully and completely in all aspects of the program, including orientation, instruction, internship work assignments, excursions and evaluation. Among the conditions of participation, without limitation, are the following:

Personal Conduct: As a Brad Henry International Scholar, you will be a representative of the U.S., the State of Oklahoma, and the university in which you are enrolled and you therefore agree to conduct yourself in a manner which will reflect favorably on these entities, your family and yourself. Swansea University and the university in which you are enrolled may establish rules of conduct appropriate for the operation of the program by which you must abide both in the United States and while abroad. Should you violate these rules, or the laws of the host country, demonstrate disruptive behavior, or through your conduct bring the program or its participants into disrepute or legal or physical jeopardy, you may be removed from the program and/or face other sanctions. If you are dismissed from the program, you may lose all academic credit and will be responsible for any continuing or additional costs which arise as a result of the dismissal.

I have read and understood the above requirements (Please initial) _____

Financial Responsibility and Withdrawal: The OSRHE will transfer the full amount of any grant awarded pursuant to this program to the university in which you are enrolled, and your university will pay to Swansea University the full agreed amount of any charge for tuition, housing and other program costs. You will be provided with an accounting showing the amount of the grant and the amount of any payment made on your behalf. Your university will pay to you any balance remaining from the original grant proceeds to defray your costs of participation. You will be responsible for any and all other expenses and costs of participation in the program, including, without limitation, transportation and travel expenses, required insurance, food, passport and required visas, and any miscellaneous personal expenses.

I have read and understood the above requirements (Please initial) _____

If you choose to withdraw from the program for any reason, you must provide adequate actual notice of your intention to the Program Coordinator. If you withdraw for non-medical reasons, or if you are removed for disciplinary reasons, you will be responsible for return of any grant proceeds paid to you. If you withdraw for medical reasons, you must provide certification from a medical doctor that your withdrawal was a medical necessity. If your medical withdrawal occurs prior to departure from the U.S., you will be responsible for return of any portion of the grant proceeds not expended, or for which a refund can be obtained. If your medical withdrawal occurs after departure from the U.S., you will be excused from repayment.

I have read and understood the above requirements (Please initial) _____

Independent Travel: Should you elect to travel independently before, during or after any program in which you participate, you acknowledge and agree that such travel shall be at your own expense, and that you further agree to inform the designated representative of your university or Swansea University, in writing, of your travel plans. This includes the pre-session program at Swansea University. You further acknowledge and agree that neither the OSRHE, your university nor Swansea University is responsible for you while you are traveling independently.

I have read and understood the above requirements (Please initial) _____

Permission to Share Information: You agree that the OSRHE, your university, and Swansea University may communicate internally, with their representatives, with your parents or guardians, and/or any emergency contact person specified in this application or elsewhere, regarding all issues arising from your participation in any program resulting from this application. Included, without limitation, in the information which may be shared are financial account information, conduct, grades or academic performance, and health and safety information. You agree that such information may be shared before, during or after the program.

I have read and understood the above requirements (Please initial) _____

Photo Release: You agree that the OSRHE, your university and Swansea University may photograph you and use your image in any format or medium for any public information, news, educational or non-commercial promotion.

I have read and understood the above requirements (Please initial) _____

General Release and Waiver: You agree to release, and by executing this application do release, OSRHE, your university, and Swansea University and the staff and representatives of these stated entities, from any and all liability for damage to or loss of property, injury, illness or death during the period of the program, arising on the part of fellow participants, any host family members, agencies and education organizations, persons or groups with which any of these named entities contracts for the provision of services for the program, or which have been suggested by program faculty as resources for regional or independent study projects.

I have read and understood the above requirements (Please initial) _____

Certification and Agreement: By signing and submitting this application, you certify that you are at least eighteen (18) years of age at the time of this application and competent to enter into an agreement, that you have read and understand the contents and terms of the application, including, without limitation, the provisions for medical treatment authorization, release and sharing of medical and student records information, and the General Release and Waiver, and agree to be bound by each of the terms of this application if you are selected for participation in either of the programs. You further certify that all responses made on this application are true, accurate and complete.

Printed Name of Applicant

Signature of Applicant

Date