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I. Financial Aid

TROY UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS AND ELITE AWARDS

Troy University is different from most institutions of higher learning. Rather than preparing students for jobs, we prepare them for what's ahead – life – opportunity – surprises. Yes, the future can be unpredictable, but the people who succeed in the years to come will do so because of preparation, planning and drive. These are just a few of the defining characteristics of TROY students.

Troy University is pleased to let you know that it is not too late to get admission for the fall (August), nor pick up some scholarships for your undergraduate studies. Also Elite Awards are still open for spring semester.

For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/KioY5H

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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA NON-RESIDENT TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS

One of the nation's largest schools, the University of Minnesota offers baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral degrees in virtually every field — from medicine to business, law to liberal arts, and science and engineering to architecture.

The University of Minnesota offers a limited number of Global Excellence Scholarships for incoming freshmen and international students studying on an F-1 visa. These competitive scholarships cover the full difference between resident and non-resident tuition rates or 50% of the difference between resident and non-resident tuition rates. For fall 2012, the values of the awards are $2,500 or $5,000. No separate scholarship application is required. Students are considered for these awards based on an overall assessment of the admission application.
For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/M469FU

EMPORIA STATE UNIVERSITY PARTIAL TUITION WAIVERS

Emporia State University is a dynamic and progressive student-centered learning community that fosters student success through engagement in academic excellence, community and global involvement, and the pursuit of personal and professional fulfillment.

Emporia State University has made available partial tuition-waivers of up to 60 percent (based on out-of-state tuition) to qualified students from underrepresented countries on our campus. The waivers will be awarded on a "first-come, first-served" basis to undergraduate and graduate students who are successfully admitted to Emporia State University and recommended by an EducationUSA adviser.

Qualified students must be recommended by EducationUSA advisers, using the appropriate recommendation form (request form via email: gbruce@emporia.edu). Students should apply directly to Emporia State University. If admission is granted, both the student and the EducationUSA adviser will be notified via e-mail and the tuition waiver will be granted for the duration of his/her studies at Emporia State University, granted the student maintains good academic standing.
For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/Jenmd1

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STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS AND NON-RESIDENT TUITION WAIVERS

Stephen F. Austin State University is a comprehensive institution dedicated to excellence in teaching, research, scholarship, creative work, and service. Through the personal attention of our faculty and staff, we engage our students in a learner-centered environment and offer opportunities to prepare for the challenges of living in the global community.

Pay Texas resident tuition and save $10,000 each year! International students who have financial need and educational achievement are eligible for a $1,000 scholarship. Students who receive the $1,000 OIP Scholarship are eligible for Texas resident tuition rates. Achieve your educational dreams and save money at SFA!
For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/wqRiVQ

II. Campus News

HARVARD AND MIT LAUNCH ONLINE EDUCATION PROJECT

Harvard and MIT have signed on to launch EdX, a $60 million dollar online education project. The program will begin this Fall with high level courses being offered to students around the world.

EdX will build on both universities' experience in offering online instructional content. The technological platform recently established by MITx, which will serve as the foundation for the new learning system, was designed to offer online versions of MIT courses featuring video lesson segments, embedded quizzes, immediate feedback, student-ranked questions and answers, online laboratories, and student paced learning. Certificates of mastery will be available for those motivated and able to demonstrate their knowledge of the course material.
For more information, please visit: http://on.wsj.com/KJMJBh

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COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES STILL ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR FALL 2012

Colleges and Universities are still accepting applications for Fall 2012. The survey provided by the national Association of College Admissions Counseling provides a list of institutions, along with contact information, that have space available for freshman and transfer admission.
For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/KJNA4J

REGISTER NOW! EDUSA CONNECTS LIVE WEBINAR SERIES ON STEP 5: PREPARE FOR YOUR DEPARTURE

Event registration is now open for EdUSA Connects webinars focusing on Your 5 Steps to U.S. Study, now on Step 5: Prepare for Your Departure! Session topics include adjusting to American culture, campus life, important documents, and making travel arrangements.

Participation is free – don't miss this unique opportunity!
For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/JtJYVo

COMMUNITY COLLEGES' ROLE IN GLOBAL PROSPERITY

Community colleges are not only a way to increase international education initiatives, but also a way to improve economic prosperity.

At the 2012 Summit on the Occasion of the G8, high-level education representatives from 16 nations and the European Union came together to discuss the importance of international exchanges and ventures through "education diplomacy" as a way of achieving economic prosperity. Specific focus was placed on the role of community colleges; in countries in major need of skilled workers, the U.S. community college model is growing in interest and demand.
For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/JdqGYE

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