



INVITATION

Final Year Graduate and Undergraduate Students in
Recreation, Leisure Studies, Leisure Services,
Leisure Resources and Tourism Studies

Apply for the

WORLD LEISURE INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

to participate in the

**2008 World Leisure Congress
Quebec City, Canada**

Sponsored by

The World Leisure Organization

Application Deadline: July 1, 2008

WORLD LEISURE INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Introduction

The World Leisure International Scholarship Program was established in 1970. The Scholarship is awarded biennially in conjunction with the World Leisure Congress. Funding for the scholarship is provided by World Leisure, sponsorships and individual contributions.

Purpose

The World Leisure International Scholarship is intended to provide opportunities for senior or graduate students, who are studying recreation, leisure studies, leisure services, leisure resources or tourism studies in college or university programs, to attend and present a scholarly paper at the biennial international World Leisure Congress. The focus of the paper should be on any aspect of recreation, leisure and/or tourism from a worldwide perspective. It is envisioned that students will gain a broader perspective of world leisure, recreation and tourism trends, issues, philosophies and problems. Upon return to their respective institutions, the scholarship recipients are expected to share their experiences with fellow students, colleagues and professors.

The Scholarship

The World Leisure International Scholarship gives the scholarship recipient(s) the opportunity to attend and participate in an international congress. The recipient(s) are provided a world-wide forum for the presentation of a scholarly paper. The scholarship includes: (1) Congress registration fee; (2) accommodation during Congress; and (3) transportation by air from a suitably located departure point.

The scholarship recipient(s) are expected to provide the funds to cover additional costs; for example, transportation to and from the departure point and local transportation and meals while at the Congress.

Eligibility

To be eligible as a scholarship recipient, the applicant shall:

1. be a final year graduate or undergraduate in a college or university program, from any country of the world, with a major in recreation, leisure studies, leisure services, leisure resources or tourism studies
2. have a cumulative grade point average of: 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, if an undergraduate, or 3.8 on a 4.0 scale, if a graduate
3. be recommended by two faculty members in his or her college or university department
4. have exhibited interest in recreation, leisure and/or tourism internationally
5. have had either volunteer or paid work experience in the recreation/leisure services or tourism fields
6. submit an acceptable abstract for a scholarly paper for presentation at the World Leisure Congress
7. if the college or university does not have a major in recreation, leisure studies/services or tourism, the applicant shall obtain a letter from his or her major professor indicating the major area of study as such; **and**
8. if the college or university does not require course work or does not produce a student transcript, the applicant shall obtain from his or her major professor a letter indicating the applicant's required learning/research activities and a performance evaluation of the applicant.

Selection of Recipients

After reviewing the application and supporting material of each scholarship applicant, the final selection of the recipient(s) will be made by the World Leisure International Scholarship Program Committee. Selections will be made without regard to race, colour, ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin or disability. Alternates will be designated in the event the successful applicant(s) are not able to attend the Congress. The Program Manager of the World Leisure International Scholarship Program Committee may conduct a telephone interview with the finalists and alternates.

Application Procedures

Students applying for the World Leisure International Scholarship shall:

1. Complete **Part I** of the Application Form and submit the Supplemental Documentation requested in **Part II** of the application.
2. Submit the **Faculty Evaluation of Student Applicant** form (see page 4) to a faculty member or advisor in the student's college/university department and request that it be completed and mailed to the Program Manager of the World Leisure International Scholarship Program Committee, along with a letter from the student's major professor, if applicable (see requirements under **Eligibility**).
3. Email the Scholarship Application Form and all supporting documentation **no later than July 1, 2008** to:

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School of Human Performance and Leisure Sciences
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Sponsor

The World Leisure International Scholarship Program is sponsored by the World Leisure Organization. World Leisure is a world-wide non-governmental membership organization dedicated to improving individual and collective well-being through recreation and the positive use of leisure.

World Leisure has consultative status with the United Nations and performs its services globally through cooperation with other international associations, specialized agencies of the United Nations, affiliated regional associations and national organizations in more than 100 countries.

World Leisure membership is open to all concerned persons and to public, voluntary, private, professional and corporate organizations. For further information about World Leisure or an application for membership, write to:

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NOTE: Application forms and procedures may be PRINTED and COPIED for wider distribution.

FACULTY VALIDATION OF STUDENT APPLICANT

World Leisure International Scholarship

This document is to be completed by faculty members in the applicant's department and sent with the written evaluation to the Program Manager of the World Leisure International Scholarship Program Committee at the address below.

Name of Applicant _____

Dept/Program _____

Educational Institution _____

Institution Address _____

member 1st of the current academic year, this scholarship applicant: _____

1. is a senior master's student doctoral student
2. has _____ as a major area of study
3. has a cumulative grade point average of _____ on a _____ point scale

B. Please write an evaluation on the stationery of the applicant's institution to address the following:

1. the applicant's ability and motivation to profit from participation in an international congress
2. the applicant's ability to write and present a scholarly paper at an international congress, and
3. the applicant's potential to meaningfully interpret his or her experience to others. Also, please outline how the department will facilitate this interpretation.

C. How would you rank this student in comparison with other students in the recreation, leisure studies/services, resources or tourism program at the same level of study? Please rank applicant from 1 to 5, with 5 being the highest rank:

1 2 3 4 5

D. It is desirable that this evaluation represent the opinions of at least two (2) faculty members. The information furnished will be given considerable weight by the World Leisure International Scholarship Program Committee. All information will be treated in a confidential and professional manner.

This evaluation was prepared by:

Name (please print) _____ Title _____

Signature _____ Date _____

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Signature _____ Date _____

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Please **EMAIL** the Application Form and written evaluation to Professor Stephen Anderson, Program Manager, World Leisure International Scholarship Program Committee, at the above address, **no later than July 1, 2008**.

APPLICATION FORM
THE WORLD LEISURE INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP
(Please PRINT this form)

Students must complete **Part I** and submit supplemental documentation as outlined in **Part II**. **Please read eligibility requirements before submitting application.**

PART I

Name _____

Home Address _____

Day Telephone () _____ Evening Telephone () _____

E-mail Address _____

Name of Educational Institution _____

Name of Department/Program and Institution (College/University) Address:

Department/Program _____

Institution Address _____

Matriculated for degree of _____ Major area of study _____

Number of credits completed toward degree _____ Years attending this institution _____

A. List other post-secondary educational institutions attended and degrees received:

B. List honours, awards, and foreign language skills:

C. List vocational preferences in order of choice. Be as specific as you can, for example. "Therapeutic Recreator," "Municipal Recreation Director," "Recreation Educator," "Park Manager."

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

D. Will you be able to provide funds to cover transportation to and from appropriate departure point, meals and local transportation at the Congress and miscellaneous personal expenses? YES NO

Name two recreation or tourism professionals familiar with your accomplishments. Ask each to write a letter of recommendation, indicating your professional qualifications and personal characteristics and how you will benefit from participation in an international Congress. The letters of recommendation are to be sent to the **Program Manager of the International Scholarship Committee**.

1. Name _____ Title _____

Address _____

2. Name _____ Title _____

Address _____

PART II

Each scholarship applicant is required to submit the following supplemental documentation:

1. An **official transcript** of your grades which the Registrar of your institution must send directly to the Program Manager of the World Leisure International Scholarship Program Committee, postmarked no later than July 1, 2008.
2. A list of current and previous **employment and volunteer experience**. Please indicate name and location of agencies, title of position and number of years at agency, for example, 200___ to 200___.
3. A **personal letter** addressed to the Program Manager of the World Leisure International Scholarship Program Committee to include the following:
 - 3.1 why and or how you became interested in recreation, leisure or tourism internationally
 - 3.2 why or how you expect to benefit from attending an international congress
 - 3.3 how you expect to share the benefits of this experience with others at your institution
 - 3.4 what you hope to gain from your education in recreation, leisure services/studies, resources or tourism
 - 3.5 how you will use the experiences gained from attendance at the congress to enhance your professional growth and development
 - 3.6 any other additional information which will enable the International Scholarship Committee to judge your professional, scholastic and personal qualifications.
4. An **abstract for a scholarly paper** on any aspect of recreation, leisure, or tourism from a global perspective.
5. In addition:

Make certain the form, Faculty Evaluation of the Student Applicant, and your two references from recreation professionals are emailed to the Program Manager of the World Leisure International Scholarship Program Committee **no later than July 1, 2008**.

I understand that the World Leisure International Scholarship Program Committee cannot assume responsibility for scholarship applications or documents received after the indicated deadline date or for the loss or delay of applications, references or transcripts, and that the World Leisure International Scholarship Program Committee will not consider incomplete applications. I declare that all of the information contained in this application and the supplemental documentation are true and accurate.

Signature of Scholarship Applicant

Date

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