

The Freeman Foundation Community College Program

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The Freeman Foundation Application and Supporting Materials will include:

1. APPLICATION FORM (attached)

2. A 2 -3 page double-spaced STATEMENT OF PURPOSE describing the applicant's academic and career objectives, and the importance of an international experience and/or understanding to the applicant's field of study.

3. TWO CONFIDENTIAL LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION must be from college faculty who have taught the applicant and/or faculty/administrators who are familiar with the applicant's academic work (please use attached Confidential Reference Form)

4. OFFICIAL COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS from UH Community Colleges and any other colleges attended

(If you do not have a GPA at the time of application, please use the attached CURRENT GRADE CHECK FORM and obtain your current grades from the instructors at the time of application)

A personal interview will also be required of selected applicants.

Application materials and related documents must be postmarked no later than

OCTOBER 23, 2009 for JAPAN program

And should be submitted to:

Leon Richards
Executive Director for International Education
University of Hawai'i Community Colleges
c/o Honda International Center, 'Iliahi 112
Kapi'olani Community College
4303 Diamond Head Road
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96816

Attention: Freeman Foundation Community College Program

For further information about the scholarship and application materials, please contact the Honda International Center at (808) 734-9312 or by email: kiyohara@hawaii.edu.

The Freeman Foundation Community College Program

The purpose of the **Freeman Foundation Community College Program** is to promote international understanding through support for intensive second language training and international travel and study to China, Korea, Vietnam or Japan. The scholarship provides financial support for full-time University of Hawai'i Community College students who wish to incorporate intensive language training and international educational experience into their academic program.

Ten Freeman scholarships are awarded each semester. The scholarships provide students in any field of study the opportunity to participate in a **two-semester language training program**. The first semester will consist of 12 credits in an intensive, content-based second language program at Kapi'olani Community College, followed by a semester study abroad.

Eligibility and Criteria:

- Participants must be U.S. citizens.
- Awards to students in good academic standing will be made on the basis of academic merit. It is expected that students will have a minimum GPA of 3.0.
- Part-time or Full-time (9 credits or more) community college students who are at any of the UHCC campuses.
(Hawai'i, Honolulu, Kapi'olani, Kaua'i, Leeward, Maui, or Windward)
- Students must be degree-seeking and can be from any field of study.
- No prior training in the targeted second language is required.
(students may not have completed more than college level 101 in the target language)
- Consideration will be given to service to the applicant's community and other activities and experience.
- Awards will be given for an entire academic year only.
- Students may be awarded a Freeman Foundation Community College Scholarship only once.

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Application for the Freeman-JAPAN program
(Spring/Summer 2010)

A. Personal Information

(please note that some information requested below is in anticipation of the visa application)

1. Full Name (Last, First, Middle) _____

2. Birth Date _____

3. Gender _____

4. U.S. Citizen: YES / NO

5. UH ID Number _____

6. Cell Phone _____

7. Home Phone _____

8. UH E-mail _____

9. Current Mailing Address

10. Permanent Mailing Address

B. Academic Information

1. University of Hawai'i Community College Campus _____

2. Major/Field of Study _____

3. Class Standing (circle one): First year / Second Year

4. Current GPA _____ (if no GPA, then use the attached GRADE SHEET)

5. Name of Academic Advisor _____

6. Your academic history, beginning with most recent:

High School, College or University	Dates of Attendance	Degree Earned/Expected	Major/Field of Specialization

7. Previous academic honors, fellowships and awards _____

8. What is the highest level of study you have completed in the targeted second language (college level 101,102, etc)?

C. Miscellaneous Information

1. List below the names, titles and addresses of two persons from whom you have requested letters of recommendation. References should be from a college faculty/administrator, who can address your academic and professional experience, and the project proposed in this application.

Name	Title	Address	Phone

2. Please describe any interests and/or hobbies you have _____

3. Please describe any Service Learning/Community Service activities you have taken part in

4. Previous overseas travel experiences

Dates	Country	Purpose	Scholarship

5. Please list any illnesses or medical conditions (both mental and physical) that might require attention while participating in this program at Kapiolani CC and traveling and living overseas. Please write N/A (Not Applicable) if you have none. Do not leave blank.

D. Personal Statement

In addition to the information requested above, all applications must include a 2-3 page double-spaced personal statement describing your academic and career objectives and explaining the importance of learning a second language and participating in an international study abroad program to your field of study or career goals.

E. Acknowledgment

I certify that the information provided in my application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that awards are made based on the plan of study outlined in this proposal which requires a **two-semester commitment** on my part. If I am granted an award, any changes to my plan of study must be discussed with and approved by Dr. Leon Richards, Chancellor of Kapi'olani Community College.

Signature of the applicant (required)

Date

Should I be selected for this scholarship, I hereby give my consent and grant permission to the University of Hawaii and The University of Hawaii Foundation to disclose information on my academic performance and grade point average to the donor for this award.

Signature of the applicant (required)

Date

<It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all application materials, including letters of recommendation, are received prior to the deadline.>

**The Freeman Foundation Community College Program
Confidential Reference Form**

APPLICANT	Applicant's Name	Last	First	Middle		
	Name of Study Abroad Program applying for	The Freeman Foundation Community College Program (JAPAN)				
	I hereby waive my right of access to this recommendation as provided in the Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.					
Signature of Applicant		Date				
RECOMMENDER	The above student is applying for the Freeman Foundation Community College Program. Study Abroad may place unusual demands on the student, requiring a greater degree of adaptability and concentration than usual. Your honest appraisal of the student will be greatly appreciated. If the student has signed the above release, your comments will be held in confidentiality.					
	1. How long have you known the applicant, and in what context?					
	2. Please comment on the applicant's strengths and weaknesses.					
	3. Please rank the applicant on the following traits by checking the appropriate box.					
		Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Unknown
	Academic Ability					
	Adaptability					
	Articulateness					
	Ability to get along with others					
	Emotional maturity					
Linguistic ability						
Intellectual curiosity						
Persistence						
Self-reliance						
Sensitivity to others						
4. Please explain why the applicant would or would not perform well in a study abroad program. <u>Please provide examples.</u>						
5. Please comment on the applicant's personal qualities, positive and negative, that would bear on his/her ability to adapt to the unusual demands of living and studying abroad.						

	6. My overall recommendation of this applicant is (circle one):			
	Strongly Recommend	Recommend	Recommend with some reservation	Do not recommend
	Signature:			Date:
	Name (please print):			
	Title:			
	Address:			
Telephone Number:				

To the Referee:

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Please tell us how long you have known the applicant and in what capacity. Please evaluate the applicant's personal statement of purpose in terms of its academic and non-academic merits and provide a candid assessment of the student's ability to succeed in the Freeman program. Your comments should address both the strengths and the weaknesses of the applicant. If the form does not provide adequate space, you may attach additional pages.

I have have not seen the applicant's statement of purpose.

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