



August 2011

To: International Studies Graduating Majors  
From: Marina Balina, Director, International Studies Program  
Re: **STUDENT AWARDS**

There are three academic awards administered by the International Studies Program for which International Studies graduating majors are eligible to apply. The Technos Award can also be given to minors in International Studies or majors/minors in related programs. The awards are:

1. *Technos Award*. This is an international prize that **recognizes the student who has contributed greatly to broaden international/global awareness and understanding in general, and on our campus in particular, and has excelled academically.**

Eligibility: Any graduating major or minor in International Studies or related programs (i.e., International Business, the languages).

Award: A certificate and gift that are inspired by traditional Japanese art and culture. This award is a very distinct honor.

2. *Pedro E. and Rufina A. Oliveros Memorial Award*: The criteria for selection of this award include: **academic achievement, active co-curricular participation in international related activities, and demonstrated financial need in college (e.g., need based financial aid).**

Eligibility: International Studies graduating major

Award: Certificate and cash prize; honor and prestige

3. *International Studies Outstanding Senior Award*: This award recognizes a graduating senior who has excelled both inside and outside the classroom. The recipient will be **outstanding academically, perhaps has engaged in research honors, and has been involved in departmental activities. An outstanding senior will also have been actively involved in other organizations with an international focus (e.g., service, volunteer, or social) either on or off campus.**

Eligibility: International Studies graduating major

Award: Certificate and prize; honor and prestige

The application process for all three awards is:

- Submit an application essay of no more than three single-spaced pages to the International Studies Office (Regina Linsalata, CLA 150) by ~~4:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 22, 2011.~~\* Include in the essay a description of any and all involvement, participation or experience that you have had with international activities and/or programs on or off campus during your career at IWU **and your personal contributions to these endeavors.** You may want to talk specifically about such things as: study abroad experience, on- and off-campus events, relevant organizations, and internships or jobs that involve international relations, etc. You should also describe your Senior Seminar project or other relevant research.
- Include a cover page with: name, major and/or minor, double major, GPA, campus address, email address, phone number.
- Include a copy of your resume. **In your essay, please be sure to elaborate on important activities listed on your resume, especially those that show how you have contributed to international awareness and understanding.**
- Include the name and number of one IWU faculty member who can provide a reference.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [mbalina@iwu.edu](mailto:mbalina@iwu.edu) or at 556-3375.



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International Studies Program - *T E C H N O S A W A R D*

Any graduating senior major or minor in International Studies or related programs (i.e., International Business, the languages) is eligible to apply for the Technos Award. The Technos Award is an international prize that **recognizes the student who has contributed greatly to broaden international/global awareness and understanding in general, and on our campus in particular, and has excelled academically.** The award does not come with any monetary reward; it consists of a certificate, and a package of gifts that is inspired by traditional Japanese art and culture; certainly, it is a very distinct honor. The recipient of this award will be recognized at Honors Day Convocation.

This will be the 18<sup>th</sup> year that the Technos Award, given by the Tanaka Ikueikai Educational Trust in Japan, will be awarded at IWU. The Trust was founded by Dr. Kenji Tanaka who created it in the spirit of improving international relations all around the world. Dr. Tanaka wishes to promote those very ideals and award those students who, through their work and actions, strive to ensure an atmosphere of global understanding.

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1. **Cover page:** Please include your name, major or minor, double major, GPA, campus address, email address, and phone number.
2. **Essay:** Include a description of your involvement, participation or experience that you have had with as many different international activities/programs on campus or elsewhere during your career at IWU. Describe your personal contributions to these endeavors. You may want to include such things as: study abroad experience, on campus events, off campus events, internships or jobs that involve international relations, etc. You should also describe your Senior Seminar project or other relevant research activities.
3. **Résumé:** Please include a copy of yours.
4. **Elaborate on important activities listed on your résumé especially those that show how you have contributed to international awareness and understanding.**
5. **Reference:** Include the name and contact number of one IWU faculty member who can provide a reference.

If you have questions, feel free to contact us at x3375 or by email at [mbalina@iwu.edu](mailto:mbalina@iwu.edu). Good luck!

Marina Balina, Director  
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\*Due date for 2012 will be announced  
in January 2012.