MAHA “MAGGIE” SAWAN FELLOWSHIP FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS

The Maha “Maggie” Sawan Fellowship for Graduate Students was established by Dr. Edwin Sawan, Professor Emeritus in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at Wichita State University. It was established in memory of his wife, Maha “Maggie” Sawan, who died in 2010, and honors her lifelong dedication to education and service to family and community. It celebrates her achievements and the respect she engendered in all who came in contact with her.

The Maha “Maggie” Sawan Fellowship for Graduate Students funds two annual fellowships, one each semester, first awarded in fall 2011. Since that time, each semester a new Sawan fellow has been named.

Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants must:
  - be graduate students enrolled full or part time at Wichita State University.
  - have an undergraduate degree from Wichita State University or have completed at least nine (9) credit hours in a graduate program at WSU.
  - have at least 2 semesters remaining in their degree program (since award is divided into two semesters)
  - have and maintain a minimum 3.5 grade point average.
- Preference will be given to international students enrolled in the College of Engineering.
- Applicants will be required to provide a written essay on one of two or three choices of topics (no less than 1 full page, no more than two full pages).

Additional Information:

A. Application Deadlines vary each semester: Fall 2015 fellowship deadline is FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2016.

B. Fellowship awards will be made without regard to financial need.

C. The fellowship is valid for two consecutive semesters and is not renewable.

D. No recipient will be excluded from consideration based on race, religion, color, national origin, gender, age, sexual orientation, marital status, status as a veteran, or disability.

E. Awards will be $6,400 each, divided between two semesters. This may be fall/spring semesters or spring/fall semesters with two fellows on campus at any given time.
Maha “Maggie” Sawan Fellowship for International Graduate Students

Personal Information

Last name: ___________________________ First: ___________________________ Middle: __________

myWSU I.D. ______________ Email Address: _________________________________

Phone: _______________ Mailing Address: ____________________________________________________________________________________

Citizenship: _______________ Country of Residency (if different): _________________________

Type of visa held (check one): F-1 student _________ J-1 ___________ Other _____________

Academic Information

Number of credit hours enrolled in this semester: ______________ Current GPA ______________

Total number of credit hours earned at WSU (Omit current semester) __________

What is your major? ___________________________________________ Grad Student ___Yes ___No

What month and year do you anticipate graduating from WSU? ____________________________

Extracurricular Activities and Honors (Note: Please only list activities/accomplishments which have taken place during the past 4 years.)

List any activities and organizations in which you are currently or have participated in over the past five years. (You may continue on a blank sheet of paper if necessary):

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List any honors or awards you have received:

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List **community projects and/or volunteer work** you have performed in the **past 3 years**, noting location and organizations. Please describe organization and work you did. (If not typing, feel free to use back side of this form.)

1. __________________________________________________________

2. __________________________________________________________

**Written Essay:** Write an essay of no more than two pages on one of the following three topics:

1. **How developing technologies can help solve our environmental challenges.**
2. **Accelerating Technological Development: Blessing or Curse?**
3. **My Generation’s Global Challenges—How I see them and my part in dealing with them.**

Your essay must accompany this application.

**References:** List two references who are staff, faculty or professionals in the community (not family or students) who can recommend you for this financial award based on character, academic scholarship and integrity.

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Please request a letter of recommendation from both of the above references to be sent directly to **International Education** at the address below (or Campus Box 122) to the attention of: Sawan Fellowship. (NOTE: The application will be considered incomplete until these letters are received, which are also **required by the application deadline**.)

I hereby certify that all information submitted on this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. By submitting this application, I authorize my college and/or university to make available to the Office of International Education, information concerning my academic and conduct records. I understand that falsification of any information on this application disqualifies me for any current or future award and that my application will not be considered if it is incomplete. If I am awarded a scholarship, I promise to notify the Office of International Education of any future enrollment or status changes that may have bearing upon this award. I authorize the University to publicly announce my name/photo as award recipient.

**Signature:** ___________________________ **Date:** _____________

Submit complete application to Tonya Baldwin **BY APRIL 1, 2016**
International Education, Garvey International Center
Or mail to: **SAWAN FELLOWSHIP**, International Education, Wichita State University, 1845 Fairmount, Wichita, KS 67260-0122