PAUL W. BORGESON STUDY-ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: March 15, 2019
Award is for academic year 2019-2020
(Summer 2019, Fall 2019- Spring 2020)

Paul W. Borgeson (1946-1999) was a professor of Latin American literature, poetry in particular, in the Department of Spanish, Italian & Portuguese of the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, from 1981 until his untimely death in May 1999. He received his doctorate from Vanderbilt University and subsequently published scholarly books and articles on the poets of Nicaragua, Venezuela, Peru and Mexico.

Paul was a Fulbright Lecturer in Caracas, Venezuela, and in Lima, Peru, and he conducted onsite research in Ecuador, Peru, Mexico, Venezuela and El Salvador.

Paul was a superb teacher and advisor. His name appeared frequently on the “Excellent Teachers’ List,” and in 1989 the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences selected him as the “Advisor of the Year”. He was also a poet who used the pseudonym Pablo Borges. A few of his close friends published his collected poems, Prosas versadas, in the very month of his death. (Copies are available but a voluntary contribution to the “Borgeson Scholarship/Spanish Department” is suggested.)

Paul’s family, his wife, Mary, and his children, Jennifer and David, endowed this scholarship in Paul’s memory to honor his career and to encourage like-minded undergraduates to study in the countries of Central and South America.

If you wish to be considered for the Paul W. Borgeson Scholarship, please complete the attached application form and append a personal statement of no more than 300 words.

NAME_______________________________________UIN_____________________

CAMPUS ADDRESS: ______________________________________________________

CAMPUS PHONE: ________________________________________________________

EMAIL_______________________________________________________________

STUDY ABROAD DESTINATION ___________________________________________

PROGRAM ____________________________________________________________

MAJOR_______________________________
MINOR

CLASS: (circle one) 1st year sophomore junior senior

GPA________based on_______number of hours

SPANISH AND/OR PORTUGUESE COURSES COMPLETED (WITH SEMESTER, INSTRUCTOR & GRADE) Attach a photocopy of your most recent official transcript.

SPANISH AND/OR PORTUGUESE COURSES IN PROGRESS

PERSONAL STATEMENT

You might choose to explain to the selection committee: why you selected this particular study-abroad program and country; how you see your study abroad experience contributing to your future plans; the financial arrangements you have made to pay for your study-abroad experience; what extracurricular activities and interests you have, in particular, those related to Spanish and/or Portuguese; e.g. those of an Hispanic literary, social, cultural and/or community-oriented nature.
SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION BY 3/15/2019 TO:
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