The Kearney International Center is pleased to announce the
Mark M. Welter World Citizen Award

Through the generosity of Dr. Mark Welter, twenty $500 awards (one per institution) will be
given to Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) students who exemplify an
understanding of the interconnected nature of the world, its nations and all people; who are in
good academic standing; and who demonstrate financial need.

The purpose of the Mark M. Welter World Citizen Award is to provide an annual tribute to
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities students who most exemplify the thoughts, words and
actions demanded by a 21st century world citizen. The student recipient will have graduated
from high school prior to entering Minnesota State Colleges and Universities. The funds are to be
used for current educational purposes, and the student must be enrolled at a MnSCU school.

Ideally, the student selected will share some or all of the following beliefs/commitments:

1. All people are of a common species who share a common adventure in a common home.
2. The world shares common problems (i.e. pollution, terrorism, challenges) but views them
   through differing cultural and religious value perspectives.
3. All citizens of planet Earth mutually share an interconnected, fragile biosphere.
4. All people- all cultures, all creeds, all colors, and all countries- have been “depositors and
   with-drawers at the world bank of knowledge.”
5. Our world is increasingly, inexorably, and undeniably interdependent.
6. No one nation, people, region, or creed can unilaterally deal with contemporary
   challenges of pollution, population, poverty, pandemics, and peace.

To apply:

Complete the application and required supporting documents as outlined on the Criteria Form,
and email all documents/attachments together in a single email to mariam.qureshi@mnsu.edu by
11:59pm on Wednesday, October 1st. Incomplete, late or hand-delivered submissions will not be
considered. The award nominee decision for Minnesota State Mankato will be made on Monday,
October 6th.