

2018 2019 INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARS

Elizabeth & Wynn Kearney
Center for International Student Services

The Gladys B Olson International Student Endowment

2018-19



The Gladys B Olson Scholar
Parisha Rajbhandari
Kathmandu, Nepal
Dance Major

"I am honored to receive the scholarship. It has motivated me to keep working hard and encouraged me to grab more opportunities. The scholarship helps to focus on my academics and gives me the courage to take greater risks towards my career."



The Carole & Dwain Petersen Scholar
Timnit Yikealo
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Psychology Major

"It is with a great pleasure that I acknowledge the assistance I have received by being given the chance to be the recipient of this scholarship. This will help me focus on my studies as I will have more free time off work. I will also be able to engage in different on-campus activities."



The Elizabeth Kearney Scholar
Abdelrahman Elkenawy
Elnaqidi, Egypt
Computer Engineering Major

"This scholarship means a reward for the past, and support for my passion for science."

The Louise Steele Syverson & Linda Steele Scholar



Hanim Mohammed
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Nursing Major

"I am humbled to be an Endowment scholar. This scholarship is a stepping stone into my career. It motivates me to strive to make my dreams come true and is an immense source of encouragement. Thanks to the Endowment Committee for their generous support of me and my fellow recipients."

The Kuhn H Lee Scholar
Nathan Lee
Busan, South Korea
Accounting Major



"There are times that I doubt the dreams that I have; however, this scholarship is a proof that they are right and worth chasing after. My sincere appreciation goes to Dr. Kuhn Lee who has generously invested his time and resources in the future generation."



The Viola Holbrook Scholar
Divin-Emmanuel Bebela
Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo
Mechanical Engineering Major

"Thanks to the scholarship committee for demonstrating faith in me and recognizing my work. I will forever be grateful for this scholarship. I thank the donors who believe that excellence is a globally-shared quality and have put together financial means to support international students demonstrating a high commitment to excellence."



The William Olszewski Scholar
Mio Yoshizaki
Kobe, Japan.
Dance Major

"I am honored to be one of the recipients of this scholarship. My life has always been with dancing, and I am very thankful to have people financially supporting international artists like me. This wonderful opportunity allows me to learn dance and cultures in a diverse community."



The Florence Sponberg Scholar
Hanix Daniel
Portsmouth, Dominica
Biochemistry Major

"Thankfully, I was selected as the recipient of the Florence Sponberg scholarship at a time when financial challenges arose unexpectedly. Because of this generous investment in my education, I continue to experience mental and emotional calmness that will assist me in focusing on my studies during the 2018-19 academic year."

The Beatrice & Joseph Moosally Scholar



Petra Camus
Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
Corporate Finance Major

"I want to take this opportunity to give my gratitude for the Gladys B. Olson International Endowment and I'm honored to be the Beatrice and Joseph Moosally Scholar. This award means much to me because it shows that hard work pays off and motivates me to go further with my education."

The Waldo & Jean Jaax Scholar
Maryam Betre
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Mechanical Engineering Major



"This scholarship means the path for my education and future success. It would have been difficult for me to cover my tuition for the next semester if I hadn't gotten this scholarship. It allows me to focus on my education rather than finances. I am very thankful for this huge opportunity!!!"



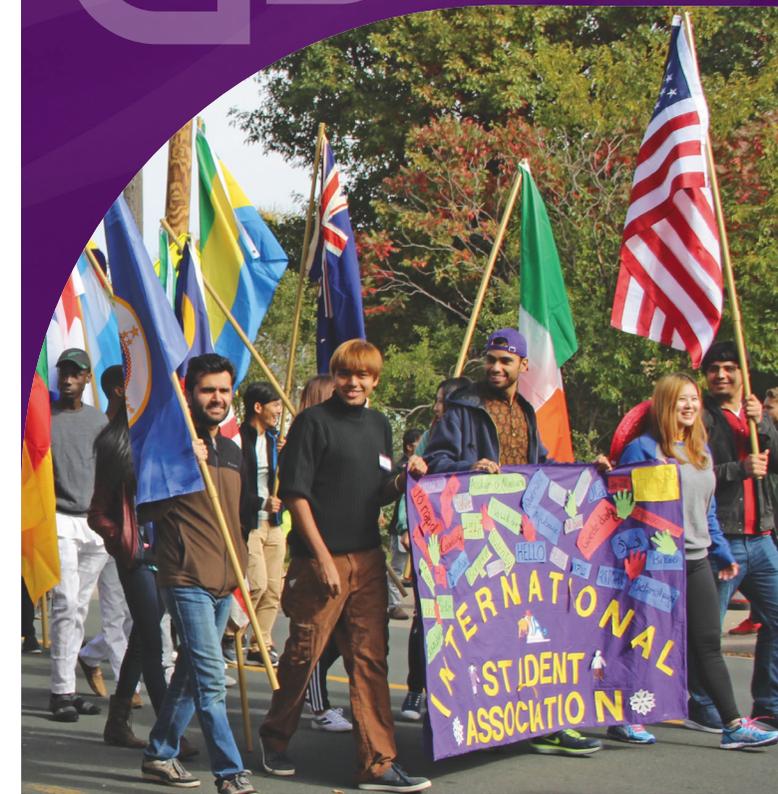
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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



As evidenced by the number of scholarship applications tendered for the 2018-2019 academic year, the Gladys B. Olson International Student Endowment continues to be a high profile entity in

the international student community at Minnesota State University. The fact that 92 countries are represented by the international student community at MNSU is an indicator of the crowning achievement various foreign student recruitment efforts at MNSU has accomplished.

Those of us actively engaged in the Gladys B. Olson International Student Endowment are proud to be a part of this legacy and with our Fund having now reached in excess of \$1.3M, we can offer significant scholarships to deserving students. Currently, we are offering in the realm of ten scholarships annually in the amount of \$3.5K, but would like to increase the number of recipients by a factor of two or three and would ask you to consider giving a contribution to our effort. No amount is too small, but we would ask you to consider giving amounts commensurate with your means.

We firmly believe that our efforts in raising money for this effort and awarding scholarships to deserving international students contributes to the global diversity here in Mankato and to the harmony of mankind in a larger sense.

To donate, please visit: <https://mnsu.quadweb.site/giving/give-a-gift-to-mnsu-mankato> and designate your funds to the Gladys B. Olson International Student Endowment.

Best,

Chuck

Chuck Syverson
Chair, Gladys B. Olson
International Student
Endowment

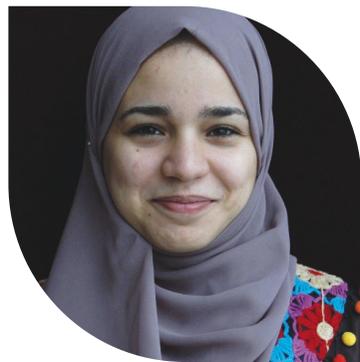


IN BRIEF

- The Kearney Center for International Student Services team is led by Jacy Fry. The KC Assistant Directors are Ishrat Kamal-Ahmed overseeing Immigration & Compliance, Stephanie Gonzalez handling Retention Programming & Orientation, and Hamdi Elnuzahi responsible for Government Sponsored Programs. Beth Lohrenz handles International Recruitment & Retention, Daniel Schwartz is the International Student & Exchange Advisor, Alissa Morson is the Programming & Retention Advisor. Pam Burke is the new Document Processor, Victoria Quader is the new Kearney Center Coordinator and the Office Manager is Pat Lueck. Four dedicated Graduate Assistants: Mustafa Tageldin, Ali Abbas Niitsu, Erika Duley, and Leke Hoxha help support the Kearney Center good work along with many volunteers and interns.
- The International Student Crisis Fund, a generous effort by the Gladys B. Olson International Student Endowment Committee, has assisted seven students in crisis with \$5,700 in support since its inception. The Kearney Center connects students to the committee for consideration.
- Open Doors reported that, in Minnesota, international students contributed over 455 million dollars and over 4,460 direct and indirect jobs to the Minnesota economy in the 2016-2017 academic year.

2018-19 GLADYS B OLSON INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

Anne Dahlman, Chuck & Jo Syverson, Carole & Dwain Petersen, Diane Berge, Elizabeth Lohrenz, Ellen Mrja, Jacy Fry, Jim Malcolm, Erica Johnson, Margaret Preska, Karen & Denny Sandersfeld, Laura Peterson, Beatrice & Joseph Moosally, Michael Sponberg, Pat Lueck, Penny Herickhoff, Sandra Hyde & Creighton Wersal, Tom Gjersvig, William Olszewski, Janet Wu (Member-at-Large)



ENDOWMENT SUSTAINERS

Future Annuities/Bequests/Trusts
George & Nadine Sugden
William Olszewski~

\$50,000+
Waldo & Jean Jaax*
Wynn & Ginnette
Kearney Foundation
William Olszewski
JoAnn & Charles Syverson
Mary C. Taggart*
Gladys B. Olson*

\$35,000 - \$49,999
Francois & Jill Hamze
Dwain & Carole Petersen
Florence & Raymond Sponberg*

\$25,000 - \$34,999
R. Wynn & Elizabeth Kearney*
Beatrice & Joseph Moosally

\$10,000 - \$24,999
Melvin Alms
Kuhn & Bang Lee
Daniel* & Margaret Preska
Jane A. Roberts*
Creighton Wersal & Sandra Hyde

\$5,000 - \$9,999
Viola & Donald Holbrook*
John Just
Jane & Mike Kearney
Iris Nigg Lundin & Vernard* Lundin
Ellen Mrja & Stephen Moline
Clarence & Margaret Perisho*
Raymond H. & Florence L. Sponberg Foundation
directed by Michael Sponberg

\$3,000 - \$4,999
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Laurena A. Beadle*
Dale & Donna Hanke*
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Joseph & Meredith Abdo
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Elizabeth Lawrence-Ross

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Thelma Lou & William Schroeder*
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Wells Fargo Bank - Mankato

\$1 - \$499

609 Donors

* Signifies Deceased
~ Lifetime giving based on
cash, stock & gift-in-kind.

2018 SPRING POPULATION STATISTICS

Afghanistan	*	Iran	*	Rep Korea	126
Aruba	*	Iraq	*	Romania	*
Australia	*	Ireland	*	Russian Federation	*
Bahamas	13	Israel	*	Rwanda	*
Bahrain	*	Italy	*	Saudi Arabia	103
Bangladesh	58	Ivory Coast	94	Serbia	*
Bolivia	*	Jamaica	*	Slovakia	*
Brazil	5	Japan	52	South Africa	*
Burkina Faso	*	Jordan	5	Spain	*
Burma	*	Kenya	22	Sri Lanka	36
Cameroon	7	Kosovo	*	Sudan	*
Canada	7	Kuwait	52	Sweden	7
China	29	Latvia	*	Syria	*
Colombia	17	Lebanon	*	Taiwan	*
Dem Congo	22	Liberia	*	Tajikistan	*
Dominica	*	Malaysia	*	Tanzania	7
Ecuador	*	Mali	*	Thailand	6
Egypt	17	Mauritania	*	Togo	*
Ethiopia	82	Mexico	5	Tunisia	*
Fiji	*	Moldova	*	Turkey	*
Finland	*	Mongolia	*	Turkmenistan	*
France	*	Montenegro	*	Uganda	9
Gambia	10	Morocco	*	Ukraine	*
Germany	15	Namibia	*	United Arab Emirates	*
Guatemala	*	Nepal	155	United Kingdom	*
Ghana	26	Netherlands	14	Uzbekistan	*
Guinea	*	Niger	*	Venezuela	5
Hondorus	*	Nigeria	86	Vietnam	20
Hong Kong	*	Pakistan	27	Yemen	*
Iceland	*	Philippines	*	Zambia	*
India	63	Poland	*	Zimbabwe	7
Indonesia	*	Qatar	*		

*Less than 5

1333 ENROLLED STUDENTS FROM 95 COUNTRIES

1045 Undergraduates • 187 Graduates • 101 Non-Degree Seeking