

ART AND MARY SAASTAD NORWEGIAN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION **2009-2010 APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Application Deadline: February 9, 2009

Calendar

January 2009 – Application materials available at <http://www.und.edu/dept/lang/norwegian.html>

February 9, 2009 – Application deadline

March 2009 – Application processing

April 2009 – Award winners selected and notified

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for an Art and Mary Saastad Norwegian Scholarship, applicant must:

- Be a worthy Norwegian language and literature student
- Be a declared Norwegian major or minor
- Be enrolled in Norwegian courses for the academic year of the scholarship OR
- Be enrolled in a study abroad program in Norway for an academic year, semester, or summer
- Can also be used to fund travel to SASS conferences or other Norwegian scholarly activities

Selection Criteria

- Demonstrated academic accomplishment
- Demonstrated dedication
- Demonstrated promise in the field of study
- An outstanding student may receive the award more than once

Application Pack

All required forms and documents must be delivered to the Languages Department Office (Merrifield Hall, Room 320, Stop 8198) and postmarked by the deadline.

- Student Application—consists of completed application form and essays
- Two Letters of Recommendation—completed by someone knowledgeable of applicants academic or service background
- Transcript—available for purchase from the Registrar's Office. If applicant signs the FERPA Release form included in this application, this signed form will authorize the Registrar's Office to release the academic record to the Languages Department at no cost to the applicant.

Amount and Duration of the Award

- Variable, depending on the number of eligible applications. In 2008, the awards totaled \$6000.
- Recipients receive half of the award at the beginning of each semester.
- The award is renewable. A student may receive a maximum of eight semesters of funding for undergraduate work leading to a first bachelor's degree.
- Renewal criteria:
 - Complete 12 credit hours each semester
 - Good academic standing (as defined by UND and major department/college)
 - Declare a major or minor in Norwegian
- If you are awarded a scholarship for foreign travel, a portion of the money (about 25%) will be given to you only after you have returned from abroad and submitted your final report. If you change your travel plans, your award will be subject to review.
- Before you complete your materials, please discuss your plans with a member of the faculty. This is especially important for those who will be taking classes while abroad.

FERPA Release Form

I, _____ the undersigned, authorize the
(Please print full name)
University of North Dakota Registrar's Office to release my academic record/transcript upon
request by the University of North Dakota Languages Department.

I acknowledge by my signature that I understand although I am not required to release my
records, I am giving my consent to release the information. I understand that this release remains
in effect until March 15, 2009.

Signature of Student

Date

Student ID #