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The conference will be held at the Kellogg Center at Michigan State University, April 6-9, 2000. Sponsored by the university's African Studies Center, Asian Studies Center, Center for European & Russian Studies, Latin American and Caribbean Studies Center, Center for the Advanced Study of International Development and James Madison College, this conference is designed to provide a multi-disciplinary examination of the impact of global restructuring in an environment of democratization and liberalization. Comparative analysis is particularly encouraged, but single country investigations are welcome as well. Partial support for local housing and meal costs is available to participants. Publication of the conference Proceedings is envisioned.

Proposals consisting of cover letter, paper abstract, and curriculum vitae should be sent by August 1, 1999 to: Professor Norman A. Graham, CERS, 205 International Center, Michigan State University, E. Lansing, MI 48824-1035; Telephone: 517-355-3277; Fax: 517-432-4845; e-mail: grahamn@msu.edu.

**INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES ON REGIONAL AND GLOBAL ISSUES**  
Graduate Conference and Career Workshop  
April 14-15, 2000  
Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia

Master's and Doctoral students/candidates in the Humanities, Social Sciences, and Business Studies are invited to submit abstracts of papers addressing aspects of the following themes: Culture and Area Studies, Globalization and Trade, Conflict and Cooperation, Environment and Development, Transnational Issues, Global/Regional/National/Sub-national Actors. Participation is limited to students in degree granting programs. Abstracts should be no longer than 300 words, accompanied by a one-page resume including name, address, phone number, e-mail and institutional affiliation. Abstract submissions must be postmarked by November 30, 1999. Send submissions to:  
Graduate Conference, Old Dominion University, Graduate Programs in International Studies, 621 Batten Arts and Letters Building, Norfolk, VA 23529. For additional information visit website at [www.odu.edu/~gpis/](http://www.odu.edu/~gpis/) or contact Cecilia Ramirez: 757-683-5700 (T) 757-683-5701 (F) [cramirez@odu.edu](mailto:cramirez@odu.edu)

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## Funding Opportunities

IREX has posted information regarding forthcoming Grant Opportunities.

### *Individual Advanced Research Opportunities*

Application Deadline: November 1, 1999

Grants of one to twelve months to predoctoral and postdoctoral scholars for research at institutions in Central and Eastern Europe and Eurasia. American scholars in policy research and development, and cross-disciplinary studies are strongly urged to apply. More information at <http://www.irex.org/programs/iaro/index.htm>.

### *Short-Term Travel Grants*

Application Deadlines: February 1, 2000 and June 1, 2000

Grants for scholarly projects focusing on Central and Eastern Europe, Eurasia, and limited opportunities for Mongolia. Support is available for brief visits (about two weeks) for individuals who do not require administrative assistance from IREX. American scholars in policy research and development, and cross-disciplinary studies are strongly urged to apply. More information at <http://www.irex.org/programs/stg/index.htm>.

Please contact IREX at [irex@irex.org](mailto:irex@irex.org) for applications and further information on these programs. Some application forms can be downloaded directly from the IREX web site at <http://www.irex.org>.

### *NRC Travel Grants Program*

With the support of the U.S. Department of State's Research and Training Program for Eastern Europe and the Newly Independent States of the Former Soviet Union (Title VIII Program), the National Research Council (NRC) will support scholars to travel to Central Europe and the Former Soviet Union for periods of two to six weeks to conduct research related to "Governance in Post-Communist Societies." The three sub-themes are: "Science and Democratization," "Organized Crime, Terrorism, and Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction," and "Technology and Industrial Economics."

Deadline: December 3, 1999

Application information: applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Applicants also must be affiliated

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with American universities or research institutions. The program will be open to scholars at the post-doctoral level and to advanced graduate students if the travel and research are directly relevant to their dissertation topic.

For more information on this new program, please contact Stephen Deets at 202-334-2658 or [sdeets@nas.edu](mailto:sdeets@nas.edu). Information is also posted on the web at <http://www4.nas.edu/oia/oiahome.nsf>



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