Davis Projects for Peace
$10,000 Grants for Undergraduate Students
Deadline: January 27, 2010

The Davis Projects for Peace program will award $1,000,000 in grants for Projects for Peace to be carried out in the summer of 2010. Grants of $10,000 each will be awarded to 100 projects from among the over 90 American colleges and universities currently affiliated with the Davis UWC Scholars Program. www.davisprojectsforpeace.org

The University of Virginia will select one project (and one alternate) for submission to the Davis Projects for Peace Program, which will in turn select the 100 winning project proposals from across the nation. Students whose proposals are selected will receive the $10,000 award in the spring of 2010 and must complete the project during the summer of 2010 and write a final report for the Davis Program by September 17, 2010.

Students must submit their project proposals electronically to the U.Va. Center for Undergraduate Excellence (e-mailed as Word attachments to: undergraduate-excellence@virginia.edu) by 12:00 noon on January 27, 2010. Students may submit individual or group project proposals. Students should not propose projects that would take place in countries subject to travel warnings issued by the U.S. Department of State (http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/tw/tw_1764.html). A committee of U.Va. faculty will review all submitted proposals and decide which proposals to submit to the Davis Projects for Peace program.

To Submit a Proposal

1) Prepare a cover letter to the internal U.Va. Selection Committee that includes a description of relevant experience or qualifications for this project. This description may include research experiences, independent travel experience, applicable coursework, or other pertinent information.

2) Prepare a written statement describing the project (who, what, where, how), including expected outcomes and prospects for future impact (not to exceed two pages); this should include pre-approval of all involved parties and organizations involved in the project. This statement will be submitted (along with the budget proposal) to the Davis Foundation by the University Selection Committee if your project is selected as the finalist or alternate.

3) Prepare a proposed project budget (one page). Please note all other sources of funding applied for or received.

4) The three-page proposal/budget document and the cover letter to the U.Va. committee should be submitted electronically in Word format along with a résumé and and the names of two references (including at least one faculty member) to undergraduate-excellence@virginia.edu, at the Center for Undergraduate Excellence, by 12:00 noon on Tuesday, January 20, 2009. Recommendation forms are available for download from www.virginia.edu/cue and should be submitted directly by the recommender.

Please note: Any procedural questions should be directed to the Center for Undergraduate Excellence only; communication between students writing proposals and the Davis UWC Scholars office is strictly prohibited by the Davis Projects for Peace program.

Please visit the Davis Projects for Peace website for additional proposal information and examples of the 100 funded proposals from 2009 (including a winning project a student team at the University of Virginia).

Davis Projects for Peace Q & A: http://www.davisprojectsforpeace.org/qanda.php
Examples of the previous Projects for Peace: http://www.davisprojectsforpeace.org/projects.php?type=PFP