KANSAS ASIA SCHOLARS 2009-10 PROGRAM APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS:
Successful applicants will participate in a two-step application process.

Step One:
Submit application materials to the Center for East Asian Studies (address below) by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, November 24, 2009. Applications are available on the KAS website (www.kas.ku.edu) or at the Center for East Asian Studies, 1440 Jayhawk Blvd., Bailey Hall, Room 201. Students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

Please submit an original and one photocopy of each of the following:
Program application form (see below)
Statement of purpose (see below)
Your KU ARTS form or a KU transcript

Ask two of your instructors to forward letters of reference on your behalf using the KAS reference form below to the Center for East Asian Studies at the above address by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, November 24, 2009. Letters may also be faxed to 785-864-5034. These reference letters should address your academic ability as well as any other relevant information.

Statement of purpose:
Please write a one or two page statement explaining how participating in the Kansas/Asia Scholars program would help further your personal and academic goals. Please describe your background, including any experiences that have led to your interest in China and in becoming an elementary or secondary teacher. Please also include your thoughts on the ways that a service learning experience might benefit your personal and/or professional growth.

Return all application materials to:
Center for East Asian Studies
Bailey Hall, Room 201
1440 Jayhawk Blvd
University of Kansas
Lawrence, KS 66045-7574
(785) 864-3849

Step Two:
Students selected as finalists will be invited to come to the Center for East Asian Studies for a brief interview with KAS selection committee members shortly after the application deadline.
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Personal Data

___________________________________________
Last Name                      First Name                      Middle Name
___________________________________________

Birthdate (month-day-year) ________________________ M / F ________________
Gender                             KUID #

Current Address (when school is in session)        Permanent Address (when school is not in session)

Street ____________________________ Name of Parent/Spouse/Other

City, State, Zip ____________________________

Phone (include area code) ____________________________

Email address (registered with KU) ____________________________

Can you be reached by email when school is not in session? Yes / No

Academic Data

___________________________________________
Current Major                     School
___________________________________________

Credit hours completed by August 2009 GPA as of August 09

Which teacher education program are you in or intend to enter? (For example, History & Government Secondary [6-12] Education, or Elementary [K-6] Education)

Names of other colleges or universities attended

___________________________________________
Dates                     Degree(s) awarded

Please see next page.
Foreign language study:
Language _________ High School (years) _____ College (semester hours) _________

Community Service / Volunteer Experience: ___________________________________

Extracurricular Activities, Scholarships, Honors etc.: _____________________________

Travel or Study Abroad Experience: Countries visited, approximate dates, and study
program as applicable: _________________________________________________________

How did you hear about the KAS program? ________________________________

Which two KU instructors will provide references for you?

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Introductions

If selected as a finalist for this program, you will be asked to come for a brief interview at
the Center for East Asian Studies shortly after the application deadline.

Agreement and Release

I affirm that the information given in this application is true and correct to the best of my
knowledge. I agree to allow the Center for East Asian Studies access to academic and
financial records available through the University of Kansas.

Signature: ____________________________ Date: _______________________

Name (print): ________________________________

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KANSAS ASIA SCHOLARS PROGRAM REFERENCE FORM

DUE NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 24, 2009

To be completed by student

Note to applicant: Please indicate your name and KUID. It is your option to sign the Student Waiver Statement.

__________________________________________
Name of Applicant

KUID

Student Waiver Statement

I understand my right under the provisions of PL 93-380-.513 (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974) to inspect letters of recommendation written on my behalf. In order to encourage the authors of letters about me to write with candor, I have elected not to exercise my rights under this statute and affirm that I shall not do so in the future. I understand that this document will be used only for the purposes of evaluating my qualifications for the KAS program by the University of Kansas program administrators and/or selection committee members, and cooperating institutions, and will not be available to any other institution, organization or party.

__________________________________________
Applicant Signature

_____________________
Date

To be completed by referee

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Please indicate how long and in what capacity you have known this applicant. Describe how well you think this applicant will make use of this opportunity, taking into consideration his/her character, adaptability, stability, and academic competence in comparison with other students at similar stages in their careers. If you have knowledge of the student’s demonstrated interest in Asia, teacher education preparation, leadership potential, or any other factors that you believe may impact upon a successful study abroad and service learning experience for this student, please comment on these as specifically as possible.
Comments: (please type if possible)

Referee’s Signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Name (please type or print clearly) ___________________________ Position/Title ________________

Office Address ___________________________ Email ___________________________ Telephone ___________________________

Institution ___________________________ City, State, Zip ___________________________

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