



CENTER FOR
**Russia, East Europe,
& Central Asia**
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

CREECA Graduate Student Research Travel Awards

Application deadline: **March 3, 2017**

The Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia (CREECA) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison invites applications from qualified graduate and professional school students for Graduate Student Summer Fieldwork Awards of up to \$4,000. Research in any of CREECA's regions of inquiry (Russia, Eastern/Central Europe, and/or Central Asia/Eurasia) and in any disciplinary field is eligible for funding. However, with additional funding from the Carnegie Corporation of New York for summer 2017, applications to support projects involving travel to the Russian Federation for conducting social science research are especially encouraged. The award amount must be justified by a budget; partial awards may be possible, taking into account students' other sources of funding and the number and quality of applications received. Finalists will be selected and notified by the CREECA Administrative Council by late March 2017.

All applicants must be masters, doctoral or professional school students in good standing at the University of Wisconsin-Madison during the 2016-2017 academic year. The competition is open to U.S. citizens and international students.

Eligibility and Award Details:

Research must be related to Russia, Eastern/Central Europe, and/or Central Asia/Eurasia.

These awards of up to \$4,000 should be used in support of 6-8 weeks of summer fieldwork conducted outside the United States in summer 2017. Time abroad outside the summer months and research projects shorter than 6 weeks will be considered, but applicants should address such circumstances in their application statement.

Students whose research travel is *fully* funded through other sources (e.g. a fellowship, grant, or department funds) are not eligible to apply for CREECA funds.

Applicants receiving *partial* travel support from another source, such as their home departments, campus grants, or external grants, must indicate the anticipated amount of other awards.

Awardees will be selected on the basis of academic merit, feasibility of the proposed project and budget, and the projected impact of the applicant's research on the field. Prior recipients of CREECA Graduate Student Research Travel Awards are eligible to apply, but priority will be given to applicants who have not received this award in past summers.

CREECA will work with awardees to purchase international flights through the [Concur system](#) (per University of Wisconsin policy). The balance of the award will be made to awardees as an e-reimbursement for per diem expenses.

To apply:

1) Complete all fields in the form below/ on the online application form:

<http://go.wisc.edu/181yp4>

2) Upload to the application site a completed budget. A template is available [here](#).

3) Applicants should arrange for one letter of recommendation to be sent from an advisor. It is the applicant's responsibility to request letters of recommendation. Letters of recommendation should be addressed to "CREECA Summer Fieldwork Award Review Committee" and should be on letterhead and signed. Letters should be in PDF and sent as email attachments directly from the recommender to russiaproject@creeca.wisc.edu. Please use "CREECA Summer Fieldwork Award" as the subject line.