THE PETER RUSHTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established in memory of the life and work of Dr. Peter Rushton. Dr. Rushton received his Ph.D. in Chinese Language and Literature from Stanford University prior to becoming a lecturer in Chinese language at UC Santa Cruz in 1984. He was an active scholar, dedicated teacher, and champion of students interested in Chinese language and culture. He died unexpectedly at the age of 50 in 2000.

The aim of the scholarship is to help worthy students to study Chinese in an academic setting. Scholarships are awarded between $500.00 and $1,200.00.

1.) All UCSC students who have attained junior status and are completing at least two years of Chinese language study are eligible to apply. Consideration for a scholarship award will be based on applicants’ consistent level of excellent performance in all Chinese language courses.

2.) Since the Peter Rushton Memorial Scholarship comes primarily from a UCSC generated fund, priority for scholarship consideration will be given to students who have completed their two years of Chinese study at UCSC. If there are no such applicants in a given year, transfer students who qualify will be considered.

3.) Applicants’ oral proficiency level should be sufficient to allow for successful communication in daily life situations.

4.) Grantees must enroll in at least two or three courses at an accredited college or university in China, Hong Kong or Taiwan, either through the UC’s EAP or independently.

5.) Before leaving the US, students must consult with a UCSC Chinese language faculty member to discuss the courses which they plan to complete overseas.

6.) The application form for the scholarship will consist of:
   A. Student’s name (in English and in Chinese).
   B. Permanent address and phone number.
   C. Reasons for applying for the award (in English and Chinese).
   D. The institution at which the student plans to study and the proposed course of study, both to be approved by a Chinese language instructor prior to departure.
   E. A one-page essay in Chinese detailing the applicant’s background, explaining the plan for study in China, career objectives, general interests and other relevant biographical information.

7.) The deadline for submitting an application at the Languages and Applied Linguistics Office, 217 Cowell, will be Monday, April 18, 2016. The announcement of award(s) will be made on Monday, April 25, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONSULT EITHER TING-TING WU OR DAVID KEENAN, LECTURERS IN CHINESE.