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CASID & GenCen Undergraduate and Graduate FLAS Fellowship Faculty Reference Request

2018-2019 Academic Year and 2018 Summer Intensive Language Fellowships in
Foreign Language and International Development Studies at Michigan State University

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This is a request for a confidential reference letter for a student applying for a fellowship in foreign language and international development studies at the Center for Advanced Study of International Development (CASID) and the Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen) at Michigan State University, under the Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship Program of the U.S. Department of Education (US/ED). CASID & GenCen FLAS funds are available to support undergraduate and graduate students interested in international development issues related (but not limited) to the following thematic foci: Global Food, Agriculture, and Environment; Livelihood Strategies, Economics, and Governance; Education and Health Disparities; Violence, Conflict, and Conflict Resolution; and Identities, Representations, and Human Rights.

Please provide a letter of reference addressing the following issues: (1) the capacity in which you have known the student and for how long; (2) statement of how the student ranks in intellectual abilities and potential compared to other students you have taught; (3) *for undergraduate*—evaluation of the student's commitment to the study of international development issues; *for graduate*—evaluation of the student's potential for graduate study and his/her commitment to the field of international development; (4) description of how the study of the foreign language will contribute to the student's plan of study and career goals; and (5) any other information you consider relevant. We appreciate your assistance.

DUE DATE: Friday, February 9, 2018

RETURN DIRECTLY TO: Jennifer Brewer, CASID International Program Coordinator, via email at casid@isp.msu.edu or using the address below:

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