

Scranton Listed Among the Nation's Top Producers of Fulbright Scholars

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The University of Scranton was recognized among the nation's "top producers" of Fulbright fellowships for American students for the 2007/2008 academic year by The Chronicle of Higher Education. The Oct. 24 issue lists just 111 colleges in four categories based on their institution type and size.

The University of Scranton was among the 22 universities in the nation listed as top producers in the "Masters Institutions" category. Scranton, with three Fulbright scholars, and Villanova University, with two, were the only two Pennsylvania universities listed in that category.

"It is notable that only one master's level institution in the country received more Fulbright awards than Scranton," said Susan Trussler, Ph.D., The University of Scranton's Fulbright advisor and associate professor of economics/finance. "In addition to the students awarded Fulbright scholarships, two other students were named as alternates."

Scranton is one of 10 Jesuit universities to be cited on the four lists.

This is the fourth consecutive year that The University of Scranton Fulbright success has been recognized in The Chronicle of Higher Education's rankings.

Three members of The University of Scranton's class of 2008 were awarded Fulbright Fellowships and a fourth was awarded a French Government Teaching Assistantship in the same competition as the Fulbright awards. (The French Government Teaching Assistantship was not included in the Chronicle's rankings.) The four are among the 121 Scranton students who have received grants in the competitions administered by the Institute of International Education (Fulbright) and International Rotary since 1972.

According to Dr. Trussler, seven University of Scranton students have applied for Fulbright fellowships for the 2008/2009 academic year. The Fulbright awards will be announced in May or June of 2009.

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