

∞ ZEMBROD AWARD ∞

The Department of Hispanic Studies offers the Zembrod Award every year to two students who will have achieved at least junior status, i.e., completed 60 cr. hrs., at the time the award is granted (Spring 2017), meaning those completing 60 credit hours at the end of Fall 2016 may apply as well if they meet the criteria listed below. The award, of up to \$750 each, is to facilitate study abroad experiences in a Spanish-speaking country with a UK-approved provider. A committee of Spanish professors will rank order student applications and offer the award to the two highest ranked students.

Eligibility criteria for the Zembrod Award are the following:

- ✚ Candidates must have a 3.0 cumulative GPA and at least a 3.0 GPA in Spanish.
- ✚ Candidates must have officially declared on of the following programs of study (a) Spanish major (b) Spanish minor c) FLIE (Foreign Language and International Economics) majors with a focus in Spanish d) International Studies majors focused on Spain or Latin America.
- ✚ Candidates must have completed at least 6 hours of Spanish at the 300 level or above by the conclusion of Fall 2016.
- ✚ Candidates must have completed 60 credit hours upon receipt of the award.
- ✚ Candidates must NOT have received the Zembrod Award previously.
- ✚ If granted the award, applicants must submit electronic documentation (scanned copy of plane ticket receipt or of program fee payment, etc.) verifying that the funds were used as outlined in the application essay to Brent Sebastian (brent.sebastian@uky.edu) BEFORE departure.

Applications materials should be merged into one electronic PDF document, with the first and last name as the file name, and sent to HispanicStudies@uky.edu by **Monday, November 21, 2016** by 4:30pm and must include:

1) A cover sheet with the following information. Applications with missing information will not be considered:

- ✚ Name and student number
- ✚ Cumulative GPA and GPA in Spanish
- ✚ Academic rank (Junior, Senior) with hours completed by the close of Fall 2016, assuming passing grades
- ✚ List of SPA 300+ courses completed and in progress during Fall 2016
- ✚ Phone number
- ✚ Mailing address
- ✚ E-mail address

2) Unofficial transcript

3) A two-three page essay **in Spanish** that outlines the student's previous experiences using or studying Spanish, plans for using the Zembrod award, and how the award will enrich the student's studies and/or future career aspirations.

Applications are ranked based on the following rating criteria and the awards will be offered in descending order:

- ✚ Level of academic achievement as gauged by cumulative GPA and Spanish GPA.
- ✚ Quality of 2-page written proposal **in Spanish**.
- ✚ Perceived degree of usefulness and need for award to achieve personal, academic, and professional goals.