FAQS - PRESIDENT'S GRANT FOR INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

1. What is meant by a Faculty Mentor?

The faculty mentor is someone who is willing to work with you and has connections to help set up the project if you are not already connected with a reputable group. The faculty member should be knowledgeable about your project and can help you with things, and can be from any department on faculty on campus. The main point is that we don't want students flying off somewhere with no real plans or connections for the new place. If you have something lined up with a reputable organization, your faculty member might not need to do much other than say that; but if not you need someone to help you plan and organize and carry out your project.

The faculty statement of support need to be written by that person; it is partially a reference letter and partially an indication that you and the faculty partner have set up a good project and you know what you will be doing.

2. What is the risk management assessment?

The risk management assessment is an assessment done by you and the proper university people to make sure you are aware of any potential issues: is the place you want to go to safe, is travel there approved by Canadian government, do you need a visa, what vaccines if any do you need ahead of time, etc. To get this assessment set up, you should email Toby Clark at clarkt@uleth.ca, who will tell you exactly what you need to do! See also

http://www.uleth.ca/risk-and-safety-services/policy-student-safety-abroad http://www.uleth.ca/risk-and-safety-services/orientation-line-learning.

3. Budget Items:

You need to give an itemized budget. You can include things like travel expense, living expenses if not covered by another group, necessary vaccines, etc. Add a note about any expenses that you have funding for from other sources, for example if you are going with an organization that will be paying your living expenses.

4. Final Report/Presentation

Final report/presentation: this is something you would do when you come back. We'd ask you to write a short report on what you did and how it went. There might also be something like an interview with the University Advancement people, who would write a story about you for the web pages, for example, or to share with future applicants for this award to show them what is possible.