The Luce Scholars Program, for nearly 40 years, has normally sent approximately 15-18 young Americans (under the age of 30) to countries in Asia for a year-long work/culture experience. Note that in spite of its name, the Luce Scholars program is experiential rather than academic in nature. The program is intended for young leaders who have not had significant exposure to Asian culture or Asian studies to have an immersion experience in Asia. Those who already have significant experience in Asia or Asian studies are not eligible; for further explanation of significant experience, please see the frequently asked questions on the Luce Scholars website [http://www.hluce.org/lsquestions.aspx](http://www.hluce.org/lsquestions.aspx)

The purpose of the program is to expose outstanding young Americans, all of whom have shown leadership potential in their respective professions, to Asia and Asia's importance in the international community. Today, the Luce Scholars Program is generally considered one of the most prestigious fellowship/internship programs available. Students can only be nominated through their institution and Tufts is one of only 75 U.S. institutions eligible to nominate.

You will note that the deadline for applications is early: October 1. Given all that occurs at the beginning of the academic year, students might neglect to note the deadline and thus be unable to pull together the materials necessary to apply for this program. Hence, this notice, now.

Eligibility:
1. Nominees must be U.S. citizens who have not reached their 30th birthday by the time they depart for Asia (that is, late August, 2014).
2. Nominees must be in physical health that will not restrict them from working in a foreign environment.
3. While individuals who already have significant experience in Asia or Asian studies are not eligible, nominees may have taken Asian language or Asia-focused courses on a U.S. campus (without majoring in Asian Studies). They may have spent up to a total of eight weeks, or have participated in a university-organized summer program, in one or more countries where Luce Scholars are placed.

To Apply:
1. The selection committee will pre-screen draft applications and choose up to three students to nominate. The selection committee may suggest revisions to the application for those individuals nominated.
2. Draft applications are due by 5:00pm Tuesday, October 1. They should be typed, and should be submitted in hard copy to Mary Dulatre in the Cabot building, room 403. mary.dulatre@tufts.edu

The draft application should be submitted in hard copy and should include:
- Luce Scholars Program Application;
- Personal Statement;
- Academic transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate coursework (unofficial transcripts may be submitted for the draft; official will be required for the nominees); and
- A list of four individuals from whom you will seek letters of recommendation if nominated.
4. If nominated, students will need to submit:
   - Revised items "2a" and "2b" above (revision to be based on suggestions of the selection committee);
   - Four letters of recommendation;
   - Two recent passport-sized color photographs; and
   - The Contact Information Form.
5. Luce Foundation Website: Please do visit the Luce Foundation website for further information on the Luce Scholars Program: [http://www.hluce.org/lsprogram.aspx](http://www.hluce.org/lsprogram.aspx).