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FISK TRUSTEES ESTABLISH GLOBAL STUDIES FUND

Nashville, Tenn., July 20, 2015 – Fisk University trustees recently established a Global Studies Fund to enable Fisk students to attend The London School of Economics and Political Science. This Study Abroad project was conceived by Trustee Hassell McClellan with the support of Trustees Frank Sims and Michael Hampton. As a result, six Fisk students are studying in London or Beijing this summer.

Kiana McClintick, Elijah Porter, and Rahmi Pruitt are in London at The London School of Economics and Political Science. Pruitt is studying macroeconomics while McClintick and Porter are pursuing studies in the theory, law, and practice of international human rights.

Brianna Herman, Arielle James, and Jianne McDonald are traveling to Beijing, China to participate in The London School of Economics and Political Science-Peking University program. There they will engage in an in-depth examination of important issues facing China (and the world) today, across a range of subjects including law, finance, economics, management, geography and politics.

President H. James Williams remarked, “The establishment of this fund by these trustees is another demonstration of the extensive support that they and our entire Board of Trustees are providing Fisk and the talented students whom we serve. We want every Fisk student to participate in a Study Abroad experience; this initiative helps to make this a reality. And, we achieve our goal of producing scholars and leaders prepared to contribute immeasurably to our global society.”

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About Fisk University:
Founded in 1866, Fisk University is Nashville’s first institution of higher education and currently ranks in the top 20% of all liberal arts institutions in the nation according to The Washington Monthly. According to the American Physical Society, Fisk is the #1 producer of underrepresented minority Master's in Physics degrees. Fisk is ranked in the top 15 institutions for awarding the Master's in Physics degree for all students, and tied for fourth place for Master's degrees awarded to women. Fisk is the fourth highest ranked institution in Tennessee and the highest ranked Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in Forbes magazine’s 2014 edition of “America’s Top Colleges.” Fisk has ranked in Princeton Review’s “Best Southeastern Colleges” publication for 22 consecutive years. U.S. News & World Report ranks Fisk in the elite Tier One liberal arts institutions. Fisk has earned 4 R&D 100 Awards, the only HBCU to do so, for work in the creation of radiation detectors developed in collaboration with several national laboratories and corporations. For more information on Fisk University, please visit www.fisk.edu.