About the Scholarship

A Gilman Scholarship enables American students to gain proficiency in diverse languages and cultures, skills that are critically important to their academic and career development. The U.S. Department of State’s Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship is a grant program that enables students of limited financial means to study or intern abroad, thereby gaining skills critical to our national security and economic prosperity. The Institute of International Education has administered the program since its inception in 2001.

Eligibility

- Be a citizen of the United States;
- Be an undergraduate student in good standing
- Be receiving a Federal Pell Grant
- Be in the process of applying to, or accepted for, a study abroad or internship program of at least two weeks for community college students and three weeks for students from four-year institutions,
- Apply for credit-bearing study abroad programs in a country with an overall Travel Advisory Level 1 or 2, according to the U.S. Department of State’s Travel Advisory System.

Application

- Online application
- Two essays
  - Statement of Purpose
    - Why do you wish to study or intern abroad and what factors led you to this decision? What do you hope to gain from and what do you anticipate will be the impact of your experience abroad?
    - Describe your study or intern abroad program. What factors led you to select this program and length of study?
    - Why have you chosen your country of study? What factors led you to select this country?
    - How will this study or intern abroad program and the coursework you take abroad impact your academic and future professional goals?
    - Are there any distinctive components to this program, beyond coursework, that will impact your overall learning experience abroad? (i.e. home-stays, internships, field research, volunteer activities, extra-curricular activities, etc.)
    - What challenges, if any, did you face in your decision to study or intern abroad? How did you meet these challenges and what impact do you foresee them having on your experience abroad? These could include, but are not limited to, being a parent, being a non-traditional student, having a learning or physical disability, being in a field of study for which it is difficult to incorporate study abroad, etc.
  - Follow-Up Service Project
Briefly outline your proposed project to promote the Gilman Scholarship and international education. How will this project impact your home university or home community? What are your project goals?

What is your target population and how will your project impact this group?

How will you integrate the impact of your experiences abroad into your project?

What, if any, campus departments, student organizations, and/or community organizations will you collaborate with in promoting the Gilman Scholarship and international education? Have you already made contact with these groups?
Fund for Education Abroad -- https://fundforeducationabroad.org/eligibility/

The Fund for Education Abroad (FEA) invests in promising students with financial need who wish to study abroad. U.S. citizen or permanent resident. Currently enrolled as an undergraduate at a college or university in the U.S. (graduate students are not eligible).

Study abroad program must be eligible for credit at the student’s home institution

Study abroad program must be at least 4 weeks (28 days) in country/countries

Application components

- Online application form
- Unofficial transcript
- Financial Aid Form (to be filled out by financial aid office, returned to student, and uploaded by student applicant)
- Recommendation letter (only 1, submitted by a professor or advisor)
- It is the responsibility of each applicant to ensure FEA receives all application components by the deadline of January 7th, 2019 at 12pm (noon) EST.

Potential applicants who meet our eligibility requirements may participate on any international education program that meets their academic objectives. Scholarships range from $1,250 – $10,000 and can be applied for programs that run between May, 2019 and April, 2020.

Eligibility Requirements

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SUNY Diversity Honors Abroad Scholarship --
https://international.newpaltz.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgram&Program_ID=1

About the scholarship

The Diversity Abroad Honors Scholarship Program (DAHSP) recognizes the valuable benefit that SUNY’s international education programs provide. Through this program, ODEI hopes to offset the costs of participating in an approved credit-bearing overseas academic program by providing up to $2000 to be used toward the approved program. An additional scholarship in the amount of $1000 funded by the Center for International Programs at SUNY New Paltz will be available during this application cycle. There will be two scholarships awarded for this cycle, one for $2000 and one for $1000.

Eligibility

- Students must be applying to participate in an approved credit-bearing SUNY study abroad program, preference given to students participating in a SUNY New Paltz study abroad program.
- Students must be enrolled in a degree program with a declared major at a sponsoring SUNY campus.
- Rising sophomores, juniors and seniors are eligible to compete for travel awards.
- Minimum GPA requirement: 3.0
- Students must demonstrate financial need by submitting their most recent Financial Aid Award Letter.
- Candidates must be United States citizens or permanent resident aliens and New York State residents.

Application

- A completed application form, signed and submitted to ODEI by the SUNY New Paltz Center for International Programs
- A personal essay (1-2 pages) outlining what the candidate hopes to achieve through study abroad, such as cultural/language immersion, research, mentorship, travel, etc.
- One recommendation (i.e.: Department Chair, Faculty Advisor, Program or Research Coordinator) - Recommendation form/questionnaire and accompanying letter on institutional letterhead. Students must request this recommendation separately from any recommendations requested for the study abroad program application. In other words, the study abroad program recommendation cannot be used for this scholarship.
- Applicant Questionnaire
- Financial Aid Award Letter