



MarymountManhattan
a college of the liberal arts

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS FOR STUDY ABROAD

There are many opportunities for funding study abroad, but you will have to start your search very early, and be creative and persistent. Many scholarships have a certain requirements, or must be used at specific schools or for specific programs, so be careful to read the “Requirements” section of each scholarship carefully.

The deadlines for submitting scholarship applications usually occur far in advance of the time you will go abroad. Some scholarships have only one deadline a year, but others have more than one, allowing greater flexibility to coordinate applications with the time of year you want to study abroad.

Some scholarships are connected to your cultural or racial heritage e.g., Italian-American, Native American, Hispanic-American, African-American, etc. On a search engine, type in words such as—*Your heritage* American Scholarships—and see what happens. There are many cultural organizations supporting students of various backgrounds.

Explore the possibility that your place of worship, your parents’ club, or their employer(s) may offer scholarships. Ask everyone about scholarships—your family, your friends, your friends’ older siblings who went to college, anyone who may be of help to you!

Here is a short list of some of the places you can search for scholarships. But this is only the beginning—keep looking!!

[IIE Passport Study Abroad Funding](#)

This is a Web site that offers information about many scholarship opportunities. It allows you to search by country or subject to find study abroad funding information.

[Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program](#)

The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program offers grants for U.S. citizen undergraduate students of limited financial means to pursue academic studies abroad.

The program aims to encourage students to choose nontraditional study abroad destinations, especially those outside of Western Europe and Australia. The Gilman Scholarship aims to support students who have been traditionally underrepresented in study abroad, including but not limited to, students with high financial need, community college students, students in underrepresented fields such as the sciences and engineering, students with diverse ethnic backgrounds, students with disabilities, and students of nontraditional age.

Bridging Scholarships for Study in Japan

The Association of Teachers of Japanese (ATJ) Bridging Project offers scholarships to American students participating in study abroad programs in Japan. Funding from private foundations and major U.S. corporations has made it possible for ATJ to award 100 scholarships annually to assist students with the travel and living expenses they will incur while studying abroad in Japan.

Undergraduate students majoring in any field of study are eligible to apply for these scholarships. Japanese language study is not a prerequisite. Applicants must be U.S. citizens and be enrolled in a college or university in the United States.

Boren Scholarship and Fellowship

You are eligible for a Boren Scholarship or Fellowship if you are an undergraduate or graduate student who is a citizen of the United States at the time you submit your application; and a matriculated student in a degree program at an accredited U.S. college or university located in the U.S.

With a Boren Scholarship or Fellowship, you can study in and about areas of the world critical to U.S. national security where most U.S. students do not study—such as Africa, Asia, Eastern and Central Europe, Latin American and the Caribbean, and the Middle East. The grants do not fund study in Western Europe, Australia, Canada, or New Zealand. These scholarships are aimed at students who are interested in language training and working for the U.S. government upon graduation.

Studio Art Centers International (SACI) Florence

SACI is an art school in Florence, Italy that offers a wide variety of scholarships for study at SACI. Please see the school's Web site.

Worldstudio Foundation

Applicants must be pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in the fine or commercial arts, design, or architecture. Though not a requirement, minority status is a significant factor considered in jury decisions.

Leopold Schepp Foundation

The Foundation grants approximately 200 awards each year to undergraduate and graduate students. Awards are based on demonstrated financial need and may be used for study abroad.

National Italian American Foundation

The National Italian American Foundation offers scholarships to U.S. citizens who are of Italian-American heritage—area of study is open.

Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD) German Academic Exchange Service

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), the German national agency for the support of international academic cooperation, offers scholarships to undergraduates to enable them to study at a German university. The scholarships are for college sophomores and juniors and are for 4-10 months in duration.

Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program for Young Professionals

This scholarship program has a strong focus on cultural experience and is designed to give participants an understanding of life, education, and professional training in Germany. It is intended primarily for young adults (ages 18-24) in business, technical, vocational, and agricultural fields. Seventy-five Americans and one hundred Germans participate in the program each year. For American participants, the twelve-month program begins in late July, and consists of two months of intensive German, four months of classroom instruction at a German university or college of applied sciences, and a five-month internship.

Finland Foundation

Scholarships are awarded to undergraduate students, sophomore or higher. Students studying subjects related to Finnish culture receive special consideration. Individual scholarships in the past have generally been in the \$500 to \$3,000 range.

SIT Study Abroad

SIT Study Abroad, a program of World Learning, located in Brattleboro, Vermont, offers study abroad programs in nearly 50 countries. A student who is enrolled in one of SIT Study Abroad's programs may apply for a scholarship.

Council on International Educational Exchange

The Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE) is a nonprofit organization that administers study abroad programs in 40 countries. A student who is enrolled in one of CIEE's programs may apply for a scholarship.