



# External Funding Opportunities FOR STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS

**Information booklet**

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*Dear current and aspiring study abroad students,*

*This booklet offers an overview of scholarships and funds available to students who would like to study abroad and seek funding. Many of these scholarships are highly competitive, as they are open to students nationwide. However, NWC students have been successful at winning various grants and scholarships over the years.*

*You are encouraged to apply for any opportunities for which you are eligible. Should you be interested in applying, the Global Education Center staff can assist you in preparing the necessary application materials and writing a proposal. In many instances, you will need to receive approval from a study abroad representative as part of your application requirements. Please contact us at [global@nwciova.edu](mailto:global@nwciova.edu) to schedule an appointment.*

*The Global Education Center Staff*



[www.nwciova.edu/study-abroad](http://www.nwciova.edu/study-abroad)

# DESTINATION-SPECIFIC

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## **DAAD - German Academic Exchange Service**

Scholarships are offered to undergraduate and graduate students from the United States and Canada for short and long term study in Germany. Students are eligible for participation in summer study abroad, internships, senior thesis research or summer courses at German universities. Long term scholarships are available for semester or year study abroad.

**Website:** <http://www.daad.org/page/international/>

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## **Freeman-ASIA**

Freeman Awards for Study in Asia (Freeman-ASIA) provides scholarships for U.S. undergraduate students with demonstrated financial need to study abroad in East or Southeast Asia. The program's goal is to increase the number of Americans with first-hand exposure to and understanding of Asia and its peoples and cultures. Award amounts range from \$3,000 to \$7,000 depending on the length of study.

**Website:** <http://www.iie.org/en/programs/freeman-asia>

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## **Bridging Scholarships for Study in Japan**

Designed for American undergraduate students participating in study-abroad programs in Japan to assist students with the travel and living expenses they will incur while studying abroad in Japan for a semester or an academic year. Applications are accepted twice a year for Bridging Scholarships. The application deadlines are in early October and early April each year.

**Website:** <http://www.aatj.org/studyabroad/scholarship>

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**Turkish Coalition of America** - in line with its mission to engage and cultivate a new generation of young Turkish American leaders, TCA offers the TCAdvange Scholarship program for Turkish American students. A wide range of scholarships are available for American minority students for programs in Turkey.

**Website:** <http://www.tc-america.org/scholarships>

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**Fulbright Summer Institutes** – The U.S. – U.K. Fulbright Commission offers special Summer Institutes for US citizens to come to the UK for three to six week academic and cultural summer program. The Summer Institutes will cover the majority of participant costs. This includes round-trip airfare from the US to the UK, tuition and fees at the host university/institution, accommodation and meals and in some cases a small daily allowance. The deadline is early March each year.

**Website:** <http://www.fulbright.org.uk/fulbright-awards/exchanges-to-the-uk/undergraduates>

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## **LIVFund**

Learn, Intern & Volunteer in Latin America. LIVFund has been designed for anyone interested in studying, interning and volunteering in Latin America and who would like to offset program or living abroad costs. LIVFund awards 24 scholarships annually and accepts applications from candidates coming to Latin America to work, intern or volunteer independently or through an organized program for any length of time. We believe that the exchange of cultures makes the world a better place, and we have created LIVFund to help with that mission!

**Website:** <http://www.livfund.org/>

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# FEDERAL GRANTS

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

Students who receive a federal Pell Grant and are applying to or have been accepted to a study abroad program may apply for the Gilman Scholarship. Awards are \$1,500 – \$5,000 with possible Critical Need Language Supplement of \$3,000 for semester or full-year programs. The deadline is March 1 for summer and fall programs and October 1 for spring programs.

**Website:** [www.iie.org/programs/gilman/index.html](http://www.iie.org/programs/gilman/index.html)

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## [Boren Scholarships & Fellowships](#)

The National Security Education Program offers study abroad scholarships for undergraduates, graduate students and intensive language training. U.S. citizens may study in world regions critical to U.S. interests. Western European countries, Australia, New Zealand, and Canada excluded. Foreign language study is a required component of the program, and there is a required service component upon graduation. Up to \$20,000 for American students for study abroad in world regions critical to U.S. interests (excludes Western Europe, Australia, New Zealand and Canada). **Boren Fellowships** - up to \$30,000 for U.S. graduate students to add an important international and language component to their graduate education through specialization in area study, language study, or increased language proficiency. All materials must be submitted to OIP by January 31.

**Website:** [http://www.borenawards.org/boren\\_scholarship](http://www.borenawards.org/boren_scholarship)

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## [Critical Languages Scholarship](#)

Full funding for intensive language instruction of critical languages for seven to ten weeks for undergraduate and graduate students. The application deadline is in mid-November each year.

**Website:** <http://www.clscholarship.org/>

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## [Fulbright Scholar Program](#)

Established in 1946, the Fulbright program aims to increase mutual understanding between peoples of the United States and other countries. There are over 250 Fulbright programs for faculty, students, professional staff members, teachers, etc. Fulbright offices are in the United States and around the world, providing funding programs for both U.S. citizens to go abroad, and for citizens of other countries who wish to come to America. The Maine Fulbright chapter was inaugurated on June 11, 2007. The Fulbright program offers many scholarship opportunities. Please check their website for most recent information.

**Website:** <http://us.fulbrightonline.org/home.html>

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# PRIVATE SECTOR CORPORATIONS AND FOUNDATIONS

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**Foundation for Global Scholars:** \$500 to \$2,000 for one or two semesters of study, teach or intern abroad in any country. The application deadline is early April for summer programs, late June for fall programs and mid-November for spring programs.

**Website:** <http://www.foundationforglobalscholars.org/>

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**Fund for Education Abroad:** awards are intended to support students planning to participate in high-quality, rigorous education abroad programs for a summer, semester or year. Applicants must plan to study abroad for at least 4 weeks and may apply to both the General and Rainbow awards. The application deadline is in November each year.

**Website:** <http://www.fundforeducationabroad.org/>

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## **BG Scholarship**

The Brandon Goodman Scholarship is available to high school and college students. You must have a minimum 2.0 GPA to be eligible for this award. You must also submit an 250word essay about your academic goals and your contributions to your school and / or community. Please visit the sponsor's Web site for additional information.

**Website:** <http://www.bgscholarship.com/>

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## **The Sara's Wish Scholarship Fund**

- provides financial support for travel experiences for female undergraduate students who are committed to making the world a better place by fully participating in it.
- Amount: 20 awards for up to \$1000

**Website:** <http://www.saraswish.org/>

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**Global Studies Foundation Grant:** designed to support foreign language training while abroad. Grants are awarded based on academic and program merit, and outreach potential. The application deadline is in early July each year.

**Website:** <http://www.globalstudiesfoundation.org/ShowContents.cfm?CategoryID=64>

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# MEMBER-SPECIFIC

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## **Phi Kappa Phi Study Abroad Grant**

Phi Kappa Phi Study Abroad Grants are designed to help support undergraduates as they seek knowledge and experience in their academic fields by studying abroad. Fifty \$1,000 grants are awarded each year.

**Website:** [http://www.phikappaphi.org/Web/Awards/Study\\_Abroad.html](http://www.phikappaphi.org/Web/Awards/Study_Abroad.html)

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## **Rotary Foundation Scholarships**

The Ambassadorial Scholarships Program of The Rotary Foundation is the world's largest privately funded international scholarships program. Students can apply by contacting their local Rotary Club.

**Website:** <http://www.scholars4dev.com/3902/rotary-international-ambassadorial-scholarships/>

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## **Golden Key Study Abroad Scholarship**

\$1,000 awards for undergraduate, graduate and post-graduate members who are currently enrolled in a study abroad program. Golden Key members are eligible to apply.

**Website:** <https://www.goldenkey.org/scholarships-awards/overview>

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# CREATIVE GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

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## **"Define Yourself" Scholarship**

Who are you as a student? An athlete, a history ace, a star on the drums, class treasurer, a student volunteer, or something completely different? The \$500 Scholarship is an ongoing, monthly scholarship open to high school seniors, college freshmen, sophomores & juniors who plan on attending a 4 year college in the Fall of 2013.

**Website:** <https://www.goenounce.com/static/scholarship1?r=ed#.UvFlh2JdV8E>

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## **The GotChosen \$1000 Every Month Scholarship**

GotChosen is offering a recurring monthly scholarship to help college students. The GotChosen \$1000 Every Month Scholarship is easy and free to enter. A new winner is selected every month by a random drawing.

**Website:** <https://www.gotchosen.com/en/monthly-scholarship>

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## **Season 3 Lights, Camera, Action Video Scholarship Contest**

Students will have five categories to choose from to create a video and upload to our site. The video with the most votes will win a \$2500 Scholarship. This scholarship is offered through GotChosen. Open to all fields of Study, Participants must be 18 years or older. Deadlines: January 22, 2014 – April 21, 2014

**Website:** <https://www.gotchosen.com/en/video-scholarship>

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## **GO Overseas Study Abroad Scholarship**

- open to all current or aspiring study abroad students. The selection committee takes into account the creativity and analytical thinking skills that applicants display in their writing samples.
- Amount: \$1000

**Website:** <http://www.gooverseas.com/go-overseas-study-abroad-scholarship>

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# Scholarships for Underrepresented Students

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**DiversityAbroad.com Scholarships:** For African-American, Asian-American, Hispanic/Latino, Multiracial/ethnic or Native-American undergraduate students who have already applied to participate in certain study abroad programs.

**Website:** <http://www.diversityabroad.com/minority-study-abroad-scholarships>

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**Hispanic College Fund:** Various scholarships available.

**Website:** <http://www.hsf.net/>

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**Mobility International Financial Aid for International Exchange and Disability:** Advice for possibly using Supplementary Security Income or Vocational Rehabilitation Funding toward study abroad.

**Website:** <http://www.miusa.org/ncde/financialaid/>

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**Institute for International Public Policy Fellowship Program (IIPP):** A program that provides students from underrepresented minority groups with education and training experiences critical to entry and advancement in international affairs careers (fellowship includes a study abroad component).

**Website:** <http://www.uncfsp.org/cms/default.aspx?page=home.default>

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**On-Line Information** about study abroad funding for specific countries and subjects is available on:

- \* [StudyAbroadFunding.org](http://StudyAbroadFunding.org)
- \* [AllAbroad.us Scholarship Listing: Study Abroad Funding Database: A good, general database maintained by IIE](#)
- \* [University of Minnesota Scholarship & Grant search: A good, general database maintained by UMN](#)
- \* [European Scholarship Portal: Information about scholarships for study abroad in Europe](#)

Information about financial aid and scholarships can be found on [www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org).