



This manual is meant to help you get started on finding scholarships that can be used for study abroad. Below are just a few scholarships that you might be eligible for. However, there are many different scholarship opportunities so make sure to do your own research.

This document is organized by:

- ◆ UNCG Travel Grants
- ◆ National Scholarships
- ◆ Area-specific scholarships
- ◆ Other scholarship links

**** Please note that deadlines of all scholarships listed are subject to change.**

If you need further help come by the International Program Center (IPC) or call (336)334-5404 and set up an appointment



UNCG Travel Grants

Endowment for International Programs

Study abroad is an important vehicle for furthering the UNCG mission of providing students with a global perspective. To encourage students to study abroad, the University's Endowment for International Programs annually provides up to two hundred travel awards to students heading overseas. The amount will vary depending on where a student is studying abroad and how many students are going abroad that semester (usually between \$600-\$1,200). The travel awards program is administered by the UNCG International Programs Center.

The UNCG Study Abroad Travel Grant Program: How to Apply

All UNCG students participating on UNCG sponsored programs may be eligible to receive a travel grant. This is not offered to students going on outside programs nor visiting students on our programs

- ◆ Semester or Full-Year exchanges
Students will indicate on their Exchange Application (part of their application to UNCG) whether or not they are interested in being considered for an IPC travel grant.
- ◆ Summer Programs
Limited travel grants are available to students participating on summer abroad programs. Please contact the IPC for more information.
- ◆ International Honors College
The Lloyd International Honors College offers travel grants to members who are going abroad. Please contact your advisor at LIHC to find out more about this opportunity. The Honors College is located in 205 Foust and can be reached at 336-334-5538
*Please note that a student may not receive both an IPC travel grant and a LIHC grant.



National Scholarships

Benjamin A. Gilman Scholarship

This scholarship is sponsored by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and the U.S. Department of State. The scholarship aims to create diversity in U.S. students studying abroad and to help students who might not otherwise be financially able to participate.

Eligibility: All undergraduate students (at two or four year universities) who are U.S. citizens and are currently receiving a Federal Pell Grant are welcome to apply. If you are not sure if you receive a Pell Grant, you may check your financial aid award package on UNC Genie or contact the Financial Aid office.

Award Amount: Over 2,700 awards of up to 5,000 dollars will be distributed this year for students studying or interning abroad. The award may vary depending on the length of the program and the needs of the student. Average awards are \$4,000 for fall and spring semesters and \$3,000 for summer programs.

Students who are studying a “critical need language” in a country where the language is predominantly spoken will be considered for an additional Critical Need Language Award, increasing the student’s total award package to \$8,000.

Languages identified as critical need can be found here (scroll to middle of page):

<http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program/About-the-Program>

Deadlines: Although the posted deadlines are below, the Gilman Scholarship Program recommends that students turn in applications at least 1 week before the deadline due to the high volume of traffic on the website around application deadlines.

For students planning to study abroad in:

Spring: October 6th

Fall and Full Year: March 1st

Summer: October 6th and March 1st*

*There are two application cycles for summer. Students may apply to whichever cycle best suits their timing needs.

Essays: There are two essays required as a part of the application process. The essays are the best way to make yourself stand out and highlight you as a great candidate. Be sure to research the objectives of the Gilman Scholarship Program and demonstrate how you exemplify this mission. Check out these links for information on how to write a great essay:

<http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program/Application-Process/Essays>

<http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program/Application-Process/Tips>

It's always a good idea to have someone proofread your essay. UNCG has a great writing center and can help you with any writing concerns. Visit this link to make an appointment: <http://writingcenter.uncg.edu/>

For more information: <http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program>

Boren Scholarship

Boren Scholarships are funded by the National Security Education Program to provide financial assistance for U.S. undergraduate students who want to study less common languages in regions critical to U.S. interest.

Eligibility: Boren Scholarships are awarded with preference for countries, languages, and fields of study critical to U.S. national security. Preference is also given to students who will study abroad for longer periods of time (6 months or longer), and who are highly motivated by the opportunity to work in the federal government. The countries of Western Europe, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand are excluded. Students must also agree to the NSEP service requirement if they accept a Boren Scholarship:

(https://www.borenawards.org/boren_scholars_service.html)

To learn more about what makes a strong applicant click here:

https://www.borenawards.org/boren_scholarship/competitive_application.html

Maximum Award Amount:

Summer: \$8,000 (8 weeks minimum)

Semester: \$10,000

Full Year: \$20,000

Deadline: The application is due by February 9th

For more information: <https://www.borenawards.org/>



Area Specific Scholarships

The National Italian American Foundation Association

The National Italian American Foundation (NAIF) annually awards scholarships to outstanding study abroad students. Scholarships are only available to cover tuition and university-provided room and board.

Eligibility: Applicants must be “Italian American” (at least one ancestor emigrated from Italy) and students or their parents must be a member of NAIF. They must be enrolled in a U.S. higher education institution and be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident alien. Students must have a GPA of at least 3.5.

Award Amount: \$2,000-\$12,000

Deadline: March 1st

Scholarships are awarded in the summer to use during the following academic year.

For more information: <http://www.niaf.org/programs/scholarships/>

Turkish Coalition of America

The Turkish Coalition of America (TCA) provides up to 100 scholarships each year.

Eligibility: Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents and of African, Armenian, Bosnian, Filipino, Hispanic/Latino, Macedonian or Native American descent. Students must be enrolled full-time and in good standing at their university. Applicants must be accepted into a language or study abroad program in Turkey, the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, or Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Award Amount: \$500-\$2,000

Deadline: There are no deadlines. Scholarships are awarded on a rolling basis.

For more information: <http://www.tc-america.org/scholarships/>



BUTEX: British University Transatlantic Exchanges

Each year BUTEX awards sixteen scholarships to students studying abroad for either a semester or for a whole academic year.

Eligibility: To be eligible students must be studying at a BUTEX member institution for a minimum of one semester. Your home university must also be affiliated with Butex.*

*UNCG is a BUTEX affiliate.

Award Amount: Each scholarship recipient is awarded £500 and will be distributed once students have arrived and registered at their host university.

Deadline: The application deadline is June 15th

In order to apply, students may submit a picture or poster advertising study abroad or answer an essay question.

For more information:

<http://www.butex.ac.uk/scholarships/how-to-apply/>

The Swedish Woman's Education Association (SWEA) Scholarship

The SWEA Scholarship supports a person or an organization with ties to North Carolina in their studies or efforts to advance/share knowledge of Swedish culture, traditions, language, history, or society. However, outstanding scholars in any field of study are invited to apply, as the scholarship is more broadly intended to foster worthwhile exchanges between Sweden and North Carolina.

Eligibility: An applicant must have connections with North Carolina and Sweden, have concrete plans on how to use the scholarship, and commit to providing a report on how the scholarship was used (for example, writing an article, or giving a presentation). Women and men are encouraged to apply.

Award Amount: Scholarships are available in amounts of up to \$1,000.

Deadline: Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. The first round is February-May and the second round is August- November. Scholarships will be awarded at the end of May and the end of November.

For more information: <http://northcarolina.swea.org/in-english-2/>

Association of Teachers of Japanese: The Bridging Scholarship

The Bridging Project offers around 100 scholarships each year to American undergraduate students participating in study-abroad programs in Japan.

Eligibility: Applicants must be undergraduate students and U.S. citizens. Students can be majoring in any field of study and Japanese language study is not a prerequisite.

Award Amount: Scholarship recipients will receive awards of \$2,500 for a semester program and \$4,000 for a full year.

Deadline: Application deadlines will vary by year and semester. For students applying to fall 2016 the deadline will be April 8, 2016.

For more information: <http://www.aatj.org/studyabroad/japan-bridging-scholarships>

Fund for Education Abroad (FEA)

The Fund for Education Abroad (FEA) was designed by education abroad professionals in order to assist students in funding their study abroad experience.

Eligibility: Applicants must be U.S citizens and a current undergraduate student. The student's study abroad program must be at least 4 weeks long. FEA encourages students that have been traditionally underrepresented in study abroad programs to apply. Preference is also given to students who are participating in academically rigorous programs that have a language component.

Award Amount: Awards are given for up to \$10,000 for a full year, \$5,000 for a semester and \$1,250 for a summer.

Deadlines: Application deadline for summer 2016, fall 2016, and spring 2017 is January 18th, 2016.

For more information: <http://fundforeducationabroad.org/applicants/>



Global Studies Foundation Grants

This grant is designed to help American students supplement their finances for their study abroad experience. This foundation is specifically interested in providing funding for students who are studying strategically important countries and languages (defined by the U.S. Departments of State and Defense). Students will be asked to share their experience through multiple media formats and with different audiences when they return.

Eligibility: Applicants must be U.S. citizens who are in good standing at an accredited secondary or post-secondary institution.

Award Amount: \$1,000

Deadline: July 1st

For more information:

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

STA Travel Scholarships

STA provides scholarships through their donation program to students who are going abroad.

Eligibility: Applicants must be U.S. Citizens and enrolled in a North American college. In addition, students must be majoring in one of these areas (minors not eligible):

- Photography
- Film
- Art
- Travel and Tourism
- Foreign Language

Award Amount: All scholarships awarded are in increments of \$2,500.

For more information: <http://www.statravel.com/scholarships.htm>



Foundation for Global Scholars

The Foundation for Global Scholars (FGS) is a nonprofit organization that seeks to inspire students to think globally and develop leadership skills and cultural competence.

Eligibility: Applicants must be U.S. citizens enrolled in an undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree program. Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 and be studying in their host country for at least 4 weeks/28 days. The Foundation for Global Scholars designates 60% of its funds for students who are unrepresented in study abroad.

Award Amount: \$2,000

Deadlines: FGS has three different application cycles throughout the year.

Summer (programs beginning from April 1st-August 15th): Apply from February 23rd - April 3rd
Fall (programs beginning August 16th-December 31st): Apply from June 4th – July 13th
Spring: (programs beginning January 1st-June 30th): Apply from (October 12th-November 20th)

For more information: <https://www.fgscholars.org/grit/apply/>

Kymonax James J. Davis Memorial Scholarship

The Kymonax mission is to facilitate prosperous and proficient transfer of knowledge between people and organizations. James Davis was a dear friend to Kymonax founder Stephen Perry and this scholarship was created in his honor.

Eligibility: Applicants should be U.S. citizens or permanent residents and enrolled as an undergraduate student. Applicants must be studying on a program that is at least 8 weeks long and the program cannot end on or before the scheduled award date. Preference will be given to: students studying in a country where English is not the dominate language, students with a strong financial need, and Engineering, Math and Science majors. However, all U.S. students are encouraged to apply.

Award Amount: \$1,000

Deadline: varies

For more information: <http://www.kymanox.com/scholarship.html>

Other Scholarship and Helpful Links

www.goabroad.com

www.studyabroad.com

www.studyabroadfunding.org : This search engine allows the user to specify field of study, country of study and make a detailed search to find related scholarships.

www.fastweb.com : This web site is a searchable database of over 400,000 scholarships of all types. You will need to fill out a personal profile in order to search the database. This web site also offers tips for successful scholarship applications.

www.collegeboard.com

<http://www.diversityabroad.com> : This website connects talented and diverse underrepresented students and graduates to international education and career opportunities. The website offers information on planning trips abroad as well as locating funding and other resources.

<https://studyabroad.state.gov/us-government-resources/programs/programs-us-undergraduate-and-graduate-students> : This website is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and provides information about government resources for study abroad students.



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