Honors College International Study Scholarship

The University Honors College’s International Study Scholarship, made possible through the generous gift of Honors College alumni, support our Scholars’ participation in study abroad programs. The maximum award amounts are $500 for summer and winter session, $1500 for a fall or spring semester and $2500 for a full academic year.

Eligibility requirements

- Applicants must be matriculated University at Buffalo students, enrolled full-time and in good standing in the Honors College.
- Applicants must have already applied for a study abroad or exchange program.
- Applicants must participate in an overseas academic program for full-time credit.
- Previous recipients of the Honors College International Study Scholarship may not re-apply.

Selection Criteria

- Preference is given to students participating in a University at Buffalo or other SUNY-sponsored program. Those enrolling in programs sponsored by other universities may also apply.
- Generally, preference is given to students participating in more extensive (duration) study abroad programs.
- Summer and winter session decisions, only, will take financial need considerations into account. Students must be Pell or TAP eligible or otherwise demonstrate significant financial need (documentation or evidence must be provided.)
- Applications from students who have never studied or traveled abroad are particularly welcome. Students are encouraged to study abroad in a country or region in which they have not already lived or studied extensively.
- Students who intend to return to UB for at least one semester following the experience will be given preference.
- Recipients must agree to assist in promoting international education and study abroad in the Honors College following their return to campus.

Application Materials

Applications are due by 4:30 p.m. on April 1st for Fall and Summer Travel and November 1st for Spring and Winter Travel. The applications must be submitted to the Honors College Office in 106 Capen Hall and must consist of the following items:

- Application Form
- Study Abroad Program Brochure
- Resume
- Essay Questions – must submit a typed response to the three essay questions, Part 4 on the application
- A list of all Honors College Experiences (dates, credits, type)
- One academic letter of recommendation (may not be obtained from Honors Council members or Honors College staff)
- Winter and Summer session applicants must attach proof of Pell/TAP eligibility. Applicants who are neither Pell nor TAP eligible must present documentation that demonstrates financial need.

Please note: All awards received by a student must be reported to the Office of Financial Aid. You will be notified if this award impacts your eligibility for other types of financial assistance. In most cases, your financial aid eligibility will remain unchanged due to the expenses associated with your research.

The Honors Council will review all applications and make the award decisions. The decisions of the Honors Council are final and not subject to appeal.
Honors College International Study Scholarship Application Form

Part 1: Personal Information

Student Name: ____________________________ Person Number: ____________________________

Email Address: ____________________________@buffalo.edu Telephone: ____________________________

Class Year (FR/SO/etc.): ________________ Expected Graduation Date: ________________

Major(s): ________________________________________________________________________ □ Accepted □ Intended

Minor(s): __________________________________________________________________________

Local Street Address: __________________________________________ City __________________ State ______ Zip ______

Cell Phone ________________________ Cumulative GPA: __________________

Previous Study Abroad, foreign travel or living experience (please describe)

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Part 2: Study Abroad Program Information

Please attach program brochure to your application.

Destination(s): ____________________________ Administering Campus: ____________________________

City, Country

Host Institution (if any): ____________________________ Have you applied for this program? □ Yes □ No

Anticipated Term: □ Academic Year ________ □ Spring 20__ □ Summer 20__ □ Fall 20__ □ Winter 20__

Budget for this Study Abroad Program (please indicate N/A for items included in Program Fee)

UB Tuition $______
Foreign Tuition $______
Program Fees $______
Housing $______
Food $______
Airfare $______
Local Transportation $______
Insurance $______
Passport/Visa $______
Other (describe) $______

TOTAL $______

Indicate Items included in Program Fee

□ UB Tuition
□ Foreign Tuition
□ Housing
□ Food
□ Airfare
□ Local Transportation
□ Insurance
□ Visa
□ Other (describe)

Indicate other scholarship awards that you’ve secured and/or applied for to offset your study abroad expenses.

Scholarship Name: __________ Amount: $________

Secured □ Applied □

Scholarship Name: __________ Amount: $________

Secured □ Applied □
Part 3: Application Certification

I certify that the information given above is correct. If I am a recipient of the Honors College International Study Scholarship, I hereby give permission for my name and the name of my program to be released as a recipient of this Scholarship. I also give permission for my contact information to be released to other students interested in studying abroad.

Signature: ___________________________  Date: __________________________

Part 4: Essay Questions

Essay Questions
(Must be TYPED)

Please answer the following three questions on a separate sheet (must be typed). Please number your responses.

1. Describe your academic and career goals and how study abroad will help you achieve them. Please explain why you have selected your study abroad program. Briefly describe any previous international experience. (suggested length 250-500 words)

2. What one aspect (i.e. cultural, historical, political, event or person) of your host country has most contributed to your desire to study there? Please explain.

3. How do you plan on promoting study abroad upon your return? List specific examples.