

University of Wisconsin Whitewater

IFSA Foundation Study Abroad Scholarship

Instructions

Please read all sections very carefully as they contain very important information regarding how to apply for this scholarship!!

Scholarship Information:

This scholarship program has been developed to support study abroad in UW-W exchange programs, foreign language study, and study abroad participation by traditionally under-represented study abroad populations. There are three separate scholarships available, depending on the applicants qualifications.

Applicants are eligible to be awarded only one IFSA scholarship per semester.

In order to be a candidate for this scholarship, the completed scholarship (including all documents) must be received by the following deadlines:

Fall semester or year long study abroad is **April 20th**.

Spring semester study abroad is **November 1st**.

All information provided on this application is confidential and will be used only as basis for determining eligibility for this scholarship.

All Applicants MUST meet the following:

General IFSA Scholarship Requirements:

- Be a full-time UW-Whitewater undergraduate student in good academic standing (minimum 2.75 GPA)
 - Have at least Sophomore status at the time of study abroad application
 - Have met with or, intend to meet with the Study Abroad Advisor prior to the application deadline.
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- To qualify for the **Study Abroad Scholarship for Exchange and Language Study** applicants must fit into at least one of the following program categories:
 - Students who will participate in a UW-W exchange program, OR
 - Students who will study in one of the following foreign languages (classes abroad need to be in the foreign language)

Arabic	Chinese
French	German
Japanese	Spanish
 - To qualify for the **Diversity Scholarship** applicants must self-identify as either:
 - LGBT Student; or
 - Student of Color
 - To qualify for the **Access Abroad Scholarship** applicants must be either:
 - Student with a Disability; or
 - Male Student and be between the ages of 18-24; or
 - First-Generation College Student (neither parent completed a four-year degree)

Checklist:

A complete scholarship application includes the following:

- Study Abroad Personal Statement
- 2 Letters of recommendation (letters from UW-Whitewater faculty and staff only)
- An Unofficial Transcript (no more than 30 days old) will be obtained by the Center for Global Education

Please Note: applicants who have not met with the UW-W Center for Global Education are not eligible to receive a scholarship award.

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Application

Scholarship Applying For: (Please apply for only one scholarship)

____ Study Abroad Scholarship for Exchange and Language Study (see instructions)

____ Diversity Scholarship (see instructions)

____ Access Abroad Scholarship (see instructions)

ID# _____

Name _____
Last First Middle

Home Address _____
Street

City State Zip Code

Local Address _____
Street

City State Zip Code

Home/Campus Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Major _____

Minor _____

Cumulative GPA _____

Total Credits Completed _____

Expected Date of Graduation _____

Have you ever studied abroad before?

Yes No

When? _____

Where? _____

For how long? _____

Study Abroad Scholarship for Exchange and Language Study:

Are you taking at least 1/2 of your classes abroad in one of the pre-approved languages? Yes No

If yes, which language:

Arabic Chinese French

German Japanese Spanish

Study Abroad Destination _____

Study Abroad Program _____

Program Type:

UW-W Exchange Direct Enrollment Non UW-W Program

Length of Program _____

Gender:

Male Female Other

Diversity Scholarship Identification:

LGBT

Student of Color (Please see below)

Ethnic Background:

African American Latino/Hispanic Other

Asian American Native American

South East Asian Asian/Pacific Islander

Access Abroad Scholarship Identification:

Are you a first generation college student?

Yes No

Are you a student with a disability?

Yes No

Are you a male between the ages of 18-24?

Yes No

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Study Abroad Personal Statement

Study Abroad Personal Statement:

Please attach responses on a separate page.

Include a typed essay that does not exceed two pages (single-sided) in length. Type your name, student ID number, and scholarship title in the upper right hand corner. In your essay, please include your career and life goals and address all of the following topics as specifically as possible:

1. How do you anticipate that study abroad will impact: a) your academic goals? b) your long-term goals? c) your personal goals? d) and how will a IFSA Scholarship help facilitate these goals?
2. How would you use your study abroad experience in your future career?
3. Why did you select the study abroad program listed on your application?
4. Describe the unique qualities you possess (e.g. ethnic/cultural diversity, special skills or talents, unique work or life experiences, leadership achievements, or community involvement), and how study abroad will enhance these unique qualities.
5. Please indicate how receipt of an IFSA study abroad scholarship will assist you in meeting your study abroad expenses.

Have you been approved for Study abroad by the UWW-Center for Global Education?

Yes No I intend to make an appointment

I certify that the information in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I authorize the release of this information and my academic transcript to the appropriate scholarship selection committee.

Signature

Date