DUS International Programs

Study Abroad Incentive Scholarship Application

Scholarship Application Deadlines for:

- Spring Semester and Winter/Spring break programs: November 1
- Fall Semester, Summer Term and Academic Year programs: March 1

Complete applications must be received by the Division of Undergraduate Studies in AD 101 no later than 4:00 PM* on the deadline date. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.
*If the deadline falls on a weekend, students may submit applications until 10:00 AM on the following Monday.

General Criteria for Scholarships:

This scholarship is to support study, research, or internship in SDSU-approved programs/course(s) abroad. Applications will be accepted from Liberal Studies majors, Interdisciplinary Studies majors, and students in the Compact Scholars Program or University Honors Program who are enrolled full-time in a degree-seeking program at San Diego State University. Applicants must be in good academic and disciplinary standing at the time of application and maintain their good standing to receive award money. Previous DUS Study Abroad Incentive Scholarship recipients are not eligible.

Students are strongly encouraged to also apply for the Associated Students Study Abroad Scholarship through the Scholarship Search Site (select “All Majors” and “Undergrad”):
www.sdsu.edu/scholarshipsearch

This is a competitive scholarship application process, and not all applicants will receive funding. The DUS International Scholarship Committee will rate applications based on the following selection criteria (in no particular order):

1. the relevance of the chosen study abroad program to the applicant’s academic program, career goals, and/or community service activities
2. the applicant’s ability and commitment to be an effective ambassador abroad and integrate with the host community
3. the applicant’s level of involvement on campus, in the program of study, or in the community
4. the overall quality of the applicant’s response to the essay questions

The DUS International Scholarship Committee may also consider the following criteria in determining the award amount: the applicant’s financial need, the length and quality of the applicant’s study abroad program, and the applicant’s cumulative grade point average.

Students may apply for study abroad scholarships even if they have not yet been accepted into their chosen study abroad program, but award money will not be released without proof of acceptance to an authorized study abroad program. For questions, please contact Chris Kjonaas at (619) 594-2200 or ckjonaas@mail.sdsu.edu

Awards

Scholarships are awarded twice annually. Individual awards typically range from $500-$2,000 and are announced within one month of the deadline. Actual disbursement of scholarship funds occurs according to the disbursement timetables of the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships, typically after the award semester begins. Plan ahead for costs that you will need to cover up-front, such as airfare, deposits, and program fees.
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Personal Information

Name: ___________________________________  Red ID: _______________________
  First  MI  Last

E-mail Address: ____________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ___________________________________________________________
  ______________________________________________________

Permanent Phone: __________________________  Cell Phone: ____________________

Which Division of Undergraduate Studies program are you part of? (check all that apply)
  □ Liberal Studies Major  □ Compact Scholars Program
    □ University Honors Program  □ Interdisciplinary Studies Major

Do you receive Financial Aid?  □ Yes  □ No

List any grants / scholarships received for this academic year:

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Have you ever received a study abroad scholarship funded through the University Honors Program or
the Division of Undergraduate Studies (DUS)?  □ Yes  □ No

Have you applied for the Associated Students Study Abroad Scholarship?  □ Yes  □ No
Application available at www.sdsu.edu/scholarshipsearch (select “all majors” and “undergrad”)

Academic Information

Current class standing:  □ Freshman  □ Sophomore  □ Junior  □ Senior

Cumulative GPA: __________  Anticipated month and year of graduation: __________

Major: __________________________  Minor: __________________________

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Study Abroad Program Information

Program Name: __________________________________________________________
Location (city/country): ___________________________________________________
Program Provider (if applicable): _____________________________________________
Host Institution Abroad (if applicable): _______________________________________
Dates of program:  from ______________________ to ___________________________
How many units will you take while abroad? ___________________________________
List the courses you anticipate taking abroad (if known):

Itemized Program Budget

  Tuition and fees: __________
  Food and housing: __________
  Round-trip airfare to Host Country: __________
  Educational materials: __________
  Incidents*: __________
  **Total:** __________

* For incidents, include associated costs like passport and visa costs, required immunizations, required local travel, and personal expenses required for day-to-day living in the host country. Do not include the cost of vacation travel or optional program excursions.

How will you fund your international experience? Be as specific as you can.


Essay Questions
Please attach your typed responses to the following essay questions:

1. Why did you choose this study abroad program, and how is it relevant to your academic program, career goals, and/or community service activities? (Minimum 250 words)

2. How do you plan to become involved in the local community and culture while you are abroad and what characteristics do you have that will help you be an effective ambassador for the United States and the SDSU community abroad? What have you done in preparation to maximize your integration into the host community? (Minimum 250 words)

3. Please describe your involvement on campus, in your program of study, or in the community, and explain how this involvement has enhanced your abilities to inspire and relate to others? (Minimum 250 words)

Honors Supplemental Section
Please answer the following questions if you are a member of the University Honors Program.
Which Honors courses you have completed or are you currently taking?

What Honors events and meetings have you attended in the past year?

Agreement
I certify that the information submitted as part of this application is true and complete. I understand that the release of any funds awarded is contingent upon proof of acceptance to an authorized study abroad program. If I am awarded scholarship funds, I agree to use these funds only to attend the program indicated above.

Signature
Date
The following are expectations for scholarship recipients (please keep a copy of this form for your records):

- Completion, prior to departure, of an Academic Approval Form and other documentation necessary for full SDSU approval of my study abroad program (for more information, please see the DUS International Coordinator)

- Coordination, prior to departure, with the Education Abroad Office (International Student Center) to ensure you satisfy requirements for a mandatory pre-departure orientation

- Submission of (5+) pictures from your trip abroad to Chris Kjonaas in DUS within one month of your return, if available

- Participation in at least one event designed to encourage other students to study abroad, including brief (10-20 minute) presentations at University Honors Program, Liberal Studies, or Compact Scholars Program events and participation in the International Photo Contest once you return

I understand the expectations listed above and authorize the release of my personal information, including my contributions to the DUS study abroad blog site and pictures, for the purposes of publicity and recognition. I agree to permit SDSU to post my photos and quotes on the DUS and/or ISC website and to use them in study abroad publicity materials: I hereby consent to any recording of myself on videotape, film, audio tape, paper, digital medium, or otherwise, by SDSU, its agents, servants, or employees. I authorize the use of such recordings for any proper and legitimate educational or commercial purposes by the university, either on or off campus. I acknowledge your ownership of the program and further agree that you may use my name, likeness and biography for the purpose of promoting the program. I warrant and represent that all material furnished by me is my own or for which I have full authority for such purposes.

Print Name

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Signature

Today’s Date