



Office of Study Abroad Scholarships

ELIGIBILITY

MSU undergraduate students applying to any credit-bearing study abroad program are eligible for Office of Study Abroad (OSA) Scholarships.

MSU graduate students applying to join a credit-bearing group program abroad are also eligible; however, graduate students pursuing individual or independent research abroad are not. A special award is reserved for MSU medical students doing independent study abroad.

Some scholarships are based exclusively on academic performance; others are based on a combination of academic performance and financial need. Some scholarships have additional requirements—see details on the next page.

You need only submit one application in order to be considered for all the OSA scholarships for which you are eligible. You may receive more than one award.

All awards are very competitive! Between 30% and 40% of applicants will receive an award.

To be considered, submit your scholarship application before the deadline corresponding to your program. You must submit a separate scholarship application for each program to which you apply.

Spring Break	January 15*
Summer, Fall Semester or Academic-Year	March 1*
Freshman Seminars Abroad	June 9*
Winter Break and Spring Semester	October 15*

If the deadline falls on a weekend, applications must be submitted the working day **after the deadline.*

If you withdraw from a program, for any reason (voluntary or involuntary), any award you may have won will be revoked. If your award is revoked after funds have been disbursed to you, you will be billed for the award amount through your MSU student account.

AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIPS

Awards based on ACADEMIC MERIT ONLY

If you have an overall GPA of 3.5 or better, you may be eligible for the following merit-only scholarships. Merit-only awards are among OSA's most competitive; most awardees have a GPA of 3.7 or above. However, a high GPA does not guarantee an award. The quality of the required essay is crucial. Your application for merit-only awards must include a 600-word essay describing how study abroad will help you reach your academic and personal goals. Your essay will be scored on both its content and the quality of writing. (Important: Do not exceed the 600-word limit.) No FAFSA is needed for these awards.

Charles and Marjorie Gliozzo Merit Scholarship

Office of Study Abroad Academic Excellence Awards

Awards based on FINANCIAL NEED and ACADEMIC MERIT

If you have an overall GPA of 2.5 or better and a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on file with the MSU Office of Financial Aid* you may be eligible for one or more of the following. No essay is required for these awards.

MSU Federal Credit Union Scholarships (MSUFCU)

- MSUFCU's generosity makes these the largest awards available from OSA.



Forest Akers Scholarship

- For students with high financial need, but not eligible for Pell grants.

MSU Alumni Association Scholarship

Eleanor and Charles Greenleaf, Sr. Scholarship

Office of Study Abroad Need and Merit Awards



Georges Jules Joyaux Memorial Fund Scholarships

- For undergraduates spending at least four (4) weeks in a French-speaking country. First-time participants in study abroad, juniors and seniors preferred.

Brigitte and Thomas Huff Scholarship

- For study in Germany. Permanent residents of Kalamazoo County preferred.

Australia-Pacific Council Scholarship

- For majors in the arts, literature, humanities, social sciences or natural sciences studying in Australia.

The Land Down Under Scholarship

- For business majors going to Australia.

Kellogg Foundation Scholarship

- For majors in Agriculture and Natural Resources and the Eli Broad College of Business.

The Carol Welch Endowed Scholarship

- For Michigan residents and residents of Brooklyn preferred.

Medical Study Abroad Scholarship

- For College of Human Medicine or College of Osteopathic Medicine students.

Office of Study Abroad (OSA) Freshman Seminar Abroad Scholarship

- For participants in the Freshman Seminars Abroad.

Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education (APUE) Freshman Seminar Abroad Scholarship

- For participants in the Freshman Seminars Abroad.

* It takes several weeks for the U.S. Government and the MSU Office of Financial Aid to process a FAFSA after it's submitted. To confirm you have a current FAFSA, call the MSU Office of Financial Aid at 353-5940.

AWARD AMOUNTS

Spring break programs:	\$250
Freshman Seminar programs:	\$250
Summer or winter break programs (2 – 12 weeks):	\$750 (\$1,000 MSUFCU)
Semester programs (13 – 20 weeks):	\$1,250 (\$1,500 MSUFCU)
Academic year programs (more than 20 weeks):	\$1,750 (\$2,000 MSUFCU)

OSA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Complete and return this form to the Office of Study Abroad by the appropriate deadline. Remember to attach your one-page essay (for merit-only scholarships) and your Application for Study Abroad (if you have not already applied to a program).

Name _____

PID _____

Current overall GPA* _____

*If you have less than one year of full-time study at MSU, please name your previous school or institution and GPA: _____

Name and location of the study abroad program in which you plan to participate:

Semester and year of participation:

- Freshman Seminar 20____ Fall Semester 20____ Winter Break 20____ - ____
 Spring Semester 20____ Spring Break 20____ Summer 20____
 Academic Year 20____ - ____

Michigan County of permanent residence (if applicable) _____

ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS and RELEASE OF INFORMATION

If offered a scholarship through the Office of Study Abroad (OSA) at Michigan State University, I understand I may be required to participate in activities before or after my experience abroad as a condition of my award(s). I agree to repay the full amount of my scholarship award(s) if I fail to fulfill scholarship conditions.

I authorize:

- OSA to publish my name and/or photo and give OSA, and all persons or entities acting pursuant to OSA's permission or authority, all rights to use my name and/or photo. I understand that my name and/or photo may be used for educational, advertising, and promotional purposes in all conventional and electronic media, and any future media. I also authorize the use of any printed material in connection therewith.
- The Office of Financial Aid to release my financial aid data to OSA in order to be considered for a scholarship based on financial need.
- The release of GPA from all colleges and universities attended prior to admission to MSU in order to be considered for a scholarship based on merit, or on merit and need.

Signature _____ Date _____

Return this completed scholarship form with your one-page essay (for merit-only scholarships) to:

MSU Office of Study Abroad
109 International Center
East Lansing MI 48824-1035

For more information, visit: <http://studyabroad.msu.edu>