Scholarships to Study and Intern Abroad
What is Study Abroad?
International exchange or educational programs

Academic study

Internship

Student teaching

Research/field work
Why Study Abroad?

Research shows that studying abroad helps with:

- Academic success
- Graduation
- Employment
Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program

History:
- Congressman from New York
- International Opportunity Act of 2000
- Program Inception 2001

Mission:
To broaden the U.S. student population that participates in study abroad by supporting students who would not otherwise study outside the U.S. due to financial constraints.

Impact:
The Gilman Scholarship Program has awarded over 22,000 U.S. undergraduates of high financial need to study or intern abroad, who come from more than 1,200 institutions and have studied in over 140 countries around the world.
Diversifying Study Abroad

Students

• High financial need
• Ethnicity
• First-generation
• Disabilities
• Underrepresented fields of study - STEM
Diversifying Study Abroad

Countries & Regions

- Jordan
- Middle East
- Asia
- Africa
- Latin America
- Argentina
- Thailand
- Tanzania
2015-2016 Fast Facts

**Multiplier Effect:**
- 46% Were first-generation college students
- 87% Were the first in their family to study abroad
- 15% Participated in career oriented experiences

**Encourages Study in Diverse Destinations and Languages:**
- 74% Studied in non-traditional locations
- 70% Studied a language, 50% of which were Critical Need Languages

**Demand for Scholarship:**
- 10,000+ Scholarship applications received annually
- 2,800+ Scholarships awarded each year
- 71% Would not have been able to study abroad without the scholarship
## Statistics: Regions of Destination

**Academic Year 2013-2014**

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Over 3,400 Scholarships Available

**Study Abroad & Internship Awards – Up to $5,000**
- Fall & Spring – avg. $4,000
- Summer – avg. $3,000
- Credit-bearing, career-oriented internships

**Critical Need Language Awards – Up to $8,000**
- Arabic
- Azerbaijani
- Bangla
- Chinese
- Hindi
- Indonesian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Persian
- Punjabi
- Russian
- Swahili
- Turkish
- Urdu

*Non-competitive federal hiring eligibility*
Eligibility

U.S. citizen
Undergraduate student
Federal Pell Grant
Academic Credit
No Travel Warning
(Mexican states with no travel advisory are eligible)
Minimum three weeks (21 days)
How to Apply

Online Application
{program + essays + transcript(s) + advisors}

Advisor Certifications
{Study Abroad & Financial Aid}

Apply at www.iie.org/gilman
Essay #1

Statement of Purpose

“Personal Interview”

You + Program + Goals
{academic, professional, personal}

Challenges
Essay #2

Follow-on Service Project

How will you give back by inspiring others to study abroad?

On campus or in community?

Design Plan of Action:
{audience, tools, timeline}
Critical Need Language Award

What language will you study while abroad? How will you do this? (Plan of action)

Why do you need this language?

How does this language fit your education and career goals?
Application Deadlines

Spring 2018
Early Summer 2018

- Applicant: October 3, 2017
- Advisors: October 10, 2017

*11:59pm Central Time
Check Gilman website for future dates and deadlines.
What makes a strong application?

- Selecting program that meets Gilman eligibility criteria
- Addressing essay prompts – country and program rationale
- Creating a feasible Follow-on Service Project
- Proof-reading essays
- Checking application for accuracy
UC Davis Applicants

2015 Statistics
• 34 Gilman Scholarships offered
• $127,500 total/$3750 average

2016 Statistics
• 39 Gilman Scholarships offered
• $129,000 total/$3307 average

2017 Statistics (so far)
• 49 Gilman Scholarships offered
• $184,500 total/$3765 average

UCD had 4th most Gilman Scholars in US (15-16)
## Contact Information

### Applicants by Last Name:

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