# External Study Abroad Scholarships

The Global Education Office at Saint Mary's College offers information on external resources and helps students apply for external study abroad scholarships. Many scholarships give preference to students with diverse backgrounds; it is one of the selection factors that most scholarship programs would consider.

### Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship

The Gilman Scholarship (up to \$5000) enables students who have limited financial means to participate in study abroad opportunities worldwide. To be eligible, students must be receiving a Federal Pell Grant at the time of application. The Scholarship focuses on underrepresented students, locations, and fields. Qualified students may also apply for the Gilman Critical Language Supplement Scholarship (\$3000).

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**The Gilman International Scholarship Program** aims to support a diverse range of students who have been traditionally underrepresented in education abroad, including but not limited to:

- Students with high financial need;
- Students from diverse ethnic backgrounds;
- Students going to non-traditional countries, especially those outside Western Europe,
  Australia, and New Zealand;
- Students with disabilities;
- First generation college students; and
- Students in underrepresented fields of study, especially the STEM fields (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).

Please visit the website for information about deadlines.

#### **Boren - National Security Education Program**

The Boren Scholarship is sponsored by the U.S. State Department. It is for U.S. undergraduate students to study abroad in areas of the world that are critical to U.S. interests and underrepresented in study abroad. It offers up to \$10,000 for a semester study and \$20,000 for a year. Applicants need to identify an appropriate study abroad program and make a compelling case for national security. One year NSEP Service after graduation is required.

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### **Institute for International Education**

In addition to the Gilman Scholarships and the Boren Scholarships, the Institute for International Education (IIE) offers resources for a variety of other scholarship programs. Search for scholarships at this site.

The Fund for Education Abroad was established in 2010 to expand access to study abroad. Applicants from groups underrepresented in study abroad and those destined for non-traditional locations are given preference in an effort to make the demographics of U.S. undergraduates studying abroad reflect the rich diversity of the U.S. population. Funding amount: up to \$10,000 (Academic Year); \$5000 (fall/spring semester), \$1250 minimum (summer). Preferences:

- Non-traditional destination
- Student demonstrates financial need
- FEA strongly encourages students to apply who represent a group that is traditionally underrepresented in education abroad. Those groups include, but are not limited to:
  - Minority students
  - First-generation college students
  - Community college students
  - o LGBTQ+
  - Students with disabilities
  - Veterans
  - Returning learners

## For additional resources, please visit the following websites:

- http://www.fastweb.com/
- http://www.iefa.org/
- http://www.bestcolleges.com/financial-aid/african-american-scholarships/
- https://www.niaf.org/programs/scholarships/
- https://www.gooverseas.com/scholarships
- https://diwcfund.org/diwc-scholarship/
- https://www.beglobalii.com/
- https://www.iie.org/programs/freeman-asia/
- https://www.studiesabroad.com/about-isa/faq/scholarships
- https://butex.ac.uk/scholarships/