

**Study Abroad Scholarship Guide for
Queensborough Community College Students**
As of September 6, 2018

Please note all applications are being continuously updated. Please check with the scholarship organization for the most up-to-date eligibility and application details upon applying.

CUNY Chancellor's Global Scholarship (CGS)

Amount Awarded: The most common award amount is \$1000. A small number of applicants with the highest rankings may receive \$1250, \$1500, or \$1750.

Winter Intersession 2019

Application Open: September 13, 2018

Application Close: **October 25, 2018**

Summer 2019

Application Open: February 2019 (TBA)

Application Close: **March 2019 (TBA)**

Application Requirements

Essays	Reference(s)	Other
1 Essay - In 1000 words or less, describe: (1) the study abroad program you plan to attend, (2) the objectives you seek to pursue through this program, and (3) how this specific program will help you achieve them.		

Eligibility Requirements	Selection Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Undergraduate student at a CUNY community or senior college at the time of enrollment in the study abroad program.• Study abroad program must be credit-bearing and fit into the student's degree plan. If selected, applicants must submit documentation showing that the course(s) fit into her or his major, minor, Pathways or elective requirements, or the award will be rescinded.• The study abroad application must be complete by the CGS deadline (not the program deadline).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Merit, as demonstrated by the student's academic record.• Ability to benefit, as demonstrated by the personal statement.• Prior study abroad experience (preference if this will be the applicant's first study abroad experience; preference if the student has never received CGS funding).• Need, as demonstrated by the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) generated by your FAFSA application.

Eligibility Requirements	Selection Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicants are encouraged to consider CUNY study abroad programs, including those offered by other CUNY campuses by EPermit. A completed FAFSA application for the 2017-2018 academic year. (Applicants must either be U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizens according to FAFSA rules). (Applicants must be either U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizens according to FAFSA rules). Prior recipients of CGS award are not eligible to apply. 	

Funds for Education Abroad (FEA)

Amount Awarded: pro-rated by the number of weeks, min. \$1,250

Summer 2019

Application Open: November 19, 2018

Application Close: **January 7, 2019**

Application Requirements

Essays	Reference(s)	Other
2 Essays - 750 words maximum (each)	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial Aid document Unofficial Transcript

Eligibility Requirements	Preferences
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> U.S. citizen or permanent resident Currently enrolled as an undergraduate at a college or university in the U.S. (<i>graduate students are not eligible</i>) Study abroad program must be eligible for credit at the student's home institution Study abroad program must be at least 4 weeks (28 days) in country/countries 	<p>FEA gives preference to students with demonstrated financial need, and strongly encourages students to apply who represent a group that is traditionally underrepresented in education abroad.</p> <p>These groups include, but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First-generation college students Minority students Community College students

Eligibility Requirements	Preferences

Dedicated Scholarships

Foundation for Global Scholars for young adults aspiring to create change in their local communities and on a global scale.

The Hiliary Echo Douglas Scholarship for students planning to study abroad in Vietnam or within Southeast Asian cultures.

Jane Gluckmann and Carol Rausch Global Scholarship for students planning to study abroad in Mexico, Central America, France, or Germany.

Rainbow Scholarship for LGBTQI students who aim to participate in a high-quality, rigorous education abroad programs.

Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship

Amount Awarded: Average for summer is \$3,000, up to \$5,000; selected applicants may be also considered for an additional Critical Need Language Award

Early Decision Summer 2019

Application Open: mid-August 2018

Application Close: **October 2, 2018 11:59 PM (Central Time, strict deadline)**

Regular Summer 2019

Application Open: mid-January 2019

Application Close: **March 2019 (TBA)**

Application Requirements

Essays	Reference(s)	Other
1. Statement of Purpose 2. Follow-on Service Project Proposal		1. Official transcript 2. Certifications from study abroad and financial aid advisors

Eligibility	Selection Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> U.S. citizens Be an undergraduate student in good standing at an accredited institution of higher education in the United States (including both two-year and four-year institutions); Be receiving a Federal Pell Grant during the time of application or provide proof that they will be receiving a Pell Grant during the term 	<p>Academic preparedness and impact on student's academic and career trajectory (Coherent link between the proposed program and the applicant's future academic and/or career plans, as well as personal development goals)</p> <p>Diversity of background and experience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First generation college STEM fields racial and ethnic minority students

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<p>of their study abroad program or internship;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be in the process of applying to, or accepted for, a study abroad or internship program of at least two weeks for community college students and three weeks for students from four-year institutions, in a single country and eligible for credit from the student's home institution. Proof of program acceptance is required prior to award disbursement; • Students are eligible to apply for credit-bearing study abroad programs in a country with an overall Travel Advisory Level 1 or 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • students with disabilities • students attending minority-serving institutions and community colleges, <p>Destination is underrepresented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eastern Europe • Middle East & North Africa • Sub-Saharan Africa • East Asia and the Pacific (with the exception of Australia, China, Japan, and South Korea) <p>Impact to Community</p> <p>Critical Need Language Award (separate essay for countries deemed important to national security)</p>

Essay Instructions

- Each essay is limited to 7,000 characters (including spaces), which is approximately 1.5 pages, single spaced. Copy and paste essays in text boxes provided in the essay section of the application.

Statement of Purpose Essay

- Why do you wish to study or intern abroad and what factors led you to this decision? What do you hope to gain from and what do you anticipate will be the impact of your experience abroad?
- Describe your study or intern abroad program. What factors led you to select this program and length of study?
- Why have you chosen your country of study? What factors led you to select this country?
- How will this study or intern abroad program and the coursework you take abroad impact your academic and future professional goals?
- Are there any distinctive components to this program, beyond coursework, that will impact your overall learning experience abroad? (I.e. home-stays, internships, field research, volunteer activities, extra-curricular activities, etc.)
- What challenges, if any, did you face in your decision to study or intern abroad? How did you meet these challenges and what impact do you foresee them having on your experience abroad? These could include, but are not limited to, being a parent, being a non-traditional student, having a learning or physical disability, being in a field of study for which it is difficult to incorporate study abroad, etc.

Follow-on Service Project Proposal

- If selected to receive a Gilman Scholarship, you will be required to carry out a Follow-on Service Project upon your return to the U.S. which promotes the Gilman Program and international education on your home campus and/or in your community.

- Write a proposal explaining how you will give back by inspiring others to pursue their own experiences abroad.
- Projects should be clear, able to be completed in approximately one semester, and have obtainable goals.
- Summarize your Follow-on Service Project Proposal in paragraph format by addressing the following questions:
 1. Briefly outline your proposed project to promote the Gilman Scholarship and international education. How will this project impact your home university or home community? What are your project goals?
 2. What is your target population and how will your project impact this group?
 3. How will you integrate the impact of your experiences abroad into your project?
 4. What, if any, campus departments, student organizations, and/or community organizations will you collaborate with in promoting the Gilman Scholarship and international education? Have you already made contact with these groups?
- Upon completion of your project you will be required to submit a two-page final report summarizing your experience abroad and the impact of your Follow-on project

Critical Language Scholarship

Program Benefits: Fully-funded; intensive overseas group-based language courses (20+ hours/week) at host community language partners; U.S. academic credit; costs for airfare, tuition, room and board often with host family, cultural program, small stipend for incidentals and meals, related costs for a mandatory pre-departure orientation in Washington, D.C., applicable visa fees (and possible visa assistance), program-sponsored travel within the host country, all entrance fees for program activities

Not covered: U.S. Passport fees, medical exam fees for finalists

Summer 2019

Application Open: Beginning of October (TBA)

Application Close: (TBA)

Application Requirements

Essay(s)	References
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Short Answer Essays • 1 Statement of Purpose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Recommendation Letters • Unofficial transcript

Successful application tips

Who They Look For

Eligibility	Program Preferences
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a U.S. citizen at the time of your application. 	Academic record and potential to succeed in a rigorous academic setting

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-citizens including Permanent Residents are not eligible, even if they anticipate naturalization by the beginning of the program. • Be enrolled in an accredited U.S. degree-granting program at the undergraduate (associate's, bachelor's) or graduate (master's, doctoral, professional degree) level at the time of your application. • Your program must result in a degree. Applicants who are taking stand-alone or continuing education classes are not eligible. • Your institution must be an accredited U.S. institution. Students earning degrees at foreign colleges or universities that are not based in the U.S. or its territories are not eligible. • You must be enrolled at your home college or university in Fall 2018. Please read the following information carefully: • If you are not taking classes at your home institution in the fall semester, please confirm that you are, in fact, enrolled. Institutions have different requirements to maintain enrollment status and you will be required to provide a signed letter from your registrar stating that you were enrolled during the fall semester. • If you are taking a leave of absence to participate in an organized semester- or year-long study abroad program, or to participate in a substantive internship program, you may still be considered eligible. You will be required to submit documentation of your study abroad or internship program. Decisions will be made on a case by case basis. • In either case, you must submit a signed letter from your home college or university in the U.S. explaining your situation and your intention to re- 	<p>Commitment to language learning</p> <p>Connection between target language and career/academic goals</p> <p>Ability to adapt to an intensive program and a challenging cultural environment</p> <p>Unique perspective and contributions to the CLS Program.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Critical Languages</u></p> <p>Offered at all levels (Beginning, Advanced Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced) Azerbaijani, Bangla, Hindi, Indonesian, Korean, Punjabi, Swahili, Turkish, Urdu</p> <p>One Year of Prior Study Required: Arabic, Persian, Portuguese</p> <p>Two Years of Study Required: Chinese, Japanese, Russian</p> <p>CLS language Levels and Terminology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning – no previous study or less than one year of study • Advanced Beginning: at least one academic year • Intermediate: at least two academic years of study • Advanced: at least three academic years of study

Eligibility	Program Preferences
<p>enroll following the completion of your study abroad or internship program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be at least 18 years old by May 15, 2019. • Undergraduate students must complete at least one academic year of study (two semesters or three quarters) by the beginning of the CLS Program. 	

Additional Resources

[Scholarship opportunities](#)

[Study abroad financing options](#)