

40+ Sources for Funding Experiences Abroad!

Studying abroad can be expensive but there are ways to afford it. You could fundraise, take on a side job, use summer saving - and apply for grants and scholarships specifically for students who want to study overseas!

Scholarships for study abroad are available from a variety of sources. But, thousands of dollars in scholarships go unclaimed every year because no one applies for them. The trick is knowing not only *where* to look for scholarships, but also *how to apply* for them.

Good Luck!

This is a snapshot of scholarship opportunities available to aid in funding your study abroad experience. Good luck in your search for scholarships and grants!

Scholarship search databases

An internet search is an excellent start for locating study abroad scholarships. Some places to start:

1. DiversityAbroad.com diversityabroad.com

DiversityAbroad has partnered with organizations to offer study abroad scholarships and grants. Economically disadvantaged students, first-generation, students with disabilities, racially diverse students are strongly encouraged to apply.

2. FastWeb fastweb.com

This website not only helps you find study abroad scholarships, but also scholarships for college. The service is free, offers extra benefits if you register.

3. Grants.gov grants.gov

The great thing about grants is they're NOT loans, so you don't need to pay them back. Use this database to find money to cover various costs of study abroad.

4. IIE Passport iie.org/en/Programs

This database is a comprehensive search engine for study abroad programs registered with IIE.

5. Scholarship Portal scholarshipportal.com

This website provides a comprehensive free search database system for scholarships available throughout Europe; you can search by region, country and discipline.

6. StudyAbroad.com studyabroad.com/study-abroad-scholarships

Helpful hints on discovering types of funding and a listing of random scholarships.

7. StudentScholarships.org studentscholarships.org

This database is considered the largest and most comprehensive source for finding scholarships online and is 100% free for students to use. Students can register for an account and find scholarships that match their education plans.

Scholarships for undergraduates

8. Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program iie.org/en/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program

Awards for study abroad programs worldwide. For students who receive federal Pell Grant funding. Sponsored by the US Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

- **Level:** Undergraduate students
- **Award:** Up to \$5,000 (plus additional bonus funds available to Gilman Scholarship recipients)
- **Requirements:** Must receive a Pell Grant. Student's program must meet Gilman Program's eligibility criteria
- **Deadline:** October & March
- **How to apply:** Online application, certification from campus study abroad and financial aid

9. Boren Awards borenawards.org

Scholarships to support U.S. students in language programs abroad in world regions critical to US interests (including Africa, Asia, Central & Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America & the Caribbean, and the Middle East), in exchange for a commitment to seek work in the federal government.

- **Level:** Undergraduate students
- **Award:** \$2,500 - \$20,000
- **Requirements:** Must be a U.S. citizen who has not yet completed their undergraduate degree
- **Deadline:** February
- **How to apply:** Online application, two essays, two letters of recommendation

10. Critical Language Scholarships clscholarship.org

The CLS Program is a U.S. government interagency effort to expand the number of Americans studying and mastering critical need foreign languages. Students of diverse disciplines and majors encouraged to apply.

- **Level:** Undergraduate and graduate students
- **Award:** Varies
- **Requirements:** Must be U.S. citizen, completed at least one academic year at an institution
- **Deadline:** November
- **How to apply:** Online application, two letters of recommendation, transcripts

11. Fund for Education Abroad

fundforeducationabroad.org

FEA is committed to increasing the opportunities for dedicated American students to participate in high-quality, rigorous education abroad programs by reducing financial restrictions by providing nearly 40 grants and scholarships

- **Level:** Undergraduate students
- **Requirements:** Must be a U.S. citizen and plan to study a minimum of 30 days in the country.
- **Deadline:** September & January
- **How to apply:** online application

12. Go Overseas Study & Intern Abroad Scholarship

gooverseas.com/scholarships

Go Overseas offers bi-annual scholarships to students who are planning on studying or interning abroad to specific locations.

- **Level:** Undergraduate and graduate students
- **Requirements:** Must be enrolled full-time at an institution based in the U.S
- **Deadline:** December 2
- **How to apply:** Online application

13. Rotary Scholarships

rotary.org/en/our-programs/scholarships

The Rotary Club offers scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students. Applicants must be a citizen of a country that has Rotary Clubs.

- **Level:** Undergraduate or graduate students
- **How to apply:** contact local club

14. Tortuga Backpacks Study Abroad Scholarship

tortugabackpacks.com/pages/study-abroad-scholarship

Part of Tortuga Backpack's mission "is to help people take amazing trips" -- which is why they dedicate part of their proceeds towards a study abroad scholarship for full-time students who have been accepted to study abroad trips.

- **Level:** Undergraduate students
- **Award:** \$1,000 and a Tortuga Backpack
- **Requirements:** Full time student in good academic standing, accepted into a study abroad program. Resident of the U.S., or studying in the U.S. on a student visa
- **Deadline:** April & November
- **How to apply:** Online application

Scholarships for graduate students

15. American Association of University Women Fellowships and Grants

aauw.org

One of the world's largest sources of funding for graduate women, AAUW is providing funding for fellowships and grants to outstanding women.

- **Level:** Graduate students
- **Award:** Varies. Between \$2,000 and \$30,000
- **Requirements:** Each fellowship or grant has its own requirements, only available to women

- **Deadlines:** Varies
- **How to apply:** Varies between awards

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18. Fulbright English Teaching Assistantships (ETA)

us.fulbrightonline.org

Selected participants work for one academic year in a school or university in a foreign country, assisting in teaching English language and American culture. Program details differ from country to country, but participants receive a stipend, paid round-trip airfare, and other benefits.

- **Level:** Graduate students
- **Award:** The grants cover transportation costs, housing, and accident and sickness benefits
- **Requirements:** U.S. resident with bachelors degree
- **How to apply:** Online application, letters of recommendation, essays, campus interview

19. Fulbright US Student Program

us.fulbrightonline.org

Scholarships to pay expenses for studying or researching abroad for a year. Scholars are able to foster US and global understanding in their placements.

- **Level:** Graduate students
- **Award:** Determined by country
- **Requirements:** U.S. resident in good health with bachelor degree and proficiency writing and speaking language of host country
- **Deadline:** October
- **How to apply:** Online application, letters of reference, essays, campus interview

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- **Award:** \$500
- **Requirements:** You must be enrolled full-time at an institution based in the U.S
- **How to apply:** Online application

Scholarships for study in Asia

22. [Bridging Scholarships for Study in Japan](http://bridgingfoundation.org/)

Scholarships for American students participating in study abroad programs in Japan to assist with travel and living expenses. Undergraduate students majoring in any field of study are eligible to apply. Japanese language study is not a prerequisite.

- **Level:** Undergraduate students
- **Award:** \$2,500 - \$4,000
- **Requirements:** Students with an interest in studying in Japan
- **Deadline:** October
- **Number of scholarships given:** 75
- **How to apply:** Online application

23. [Freeman - Asia](http://iie.org/programs/Freeman-ASIA/)

The Freeman Awards for Study in Asia provides scholarships to American students to study abroad in one of the 15 Asian countries on semester or summer programs (at least eight weeks in length). Scholarships are first offered to student with no prior experience in the country of study.

- **Level:** Undergraduate students
- **Award:** \$3,000 - \$7,000

24. [Southeast Asian Fellowship Program](http://eastwestcenter.org/scholarships-fellowships/)

The East-West Center offers a variety of short- and long-term programs for individuals. Academic scholarships, fellowships, educational exchanges, and professional development programs available.

- **Level:** Undergraduate and graduate students
- **Award:** Varies
- **Number of scholarships/fellowships given:** 15+

- **Deadlines:** Varies
- **How to apply:** Varies by scholarship

Scholarships for study in Europe

25. [Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange for Young Professionals](http://culturalvistas.org/programs/abroad/congress-bundestag-youth-exchange-young-professionals/)

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Year-long fellowship includes language study, semester of study, then 5 month internship in participants career field. Fellowship includes homestay, airfare, insurance, monthly living stipend and in-country support.

- **Level:** Any
- **Award:** Varies
- **Requirements:** US citizen, age 18-24 with clear career goals
- **Deadline:** December 1
- **Number of scholarships given:** 75
- **How to apply:** Online application

26. [DAAD - German Academic Exchange Service](http://daad.org/en/)

Scholarships, grants, and fellowships for study and research in Germany. There are awards for undergraduate students to post-doctoral scholars in every field. Ranges from financial support for 3-week courses to full-year financial support for an academic year abroad.

- **Level:** Any
- **Award:** Varies
- **Requirements:** Varies between programs, most require American or Canadian citizenship
- **Deadline:** Dependent on which scholarship, fellowship, or grant you apply for
- **Number of scholarships given:** 25+
- **How to apply:** Online application

27. [Kosciuszko Foundation Year Abroad in Poland Scholarship](http://thekf.org/kf/)

Financial support from the Polish Ministry of Education and Sport and the Kosciuszko Foundation for US students to study and live in Poland for a semester or year.

- **Level:** Undergraduate and graduate students
- **Award:** The scholarship includes acceptance to the program, a tuition waiver, and a stipend per month
- **Requirements:** Undergraduate sophomores, juniors, seniors and graduate students who have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and who are U.S. citizens
- **Deadline:** January
- **How to apply:** Online application, including essay

Scholarships for study in Oceania

28. [Go Overseas New Zealand Scholarship](https://gooverseas.com/scholarships/new-zealand) gooverseas.com/scholarships/new-zealand

Go Overseas offers one scholarship to study abroad in New Zealand. Must submit a photo depicting their kiwi pride and an essay describing why they want to study in New Zealand.

- **Level:** Undergraduate and graduate students
- **Award:** \$15,000 NZD and round trip airfare
- **Requirements:** Must be U.S. citizen 18+ years old
- **Deadline:** October
- **Number of scholarships:** 1
- **How to apply:** Online application, essay

29. [Scholarships for Study in Australia](https://studyinaustralia.gov.au/english/australian-education/scholarships) studyinaustralia.gov.au/english/australian-education/scholarships

This database provided by the Australian government gives students easy access to available funding for international students studying there.

Scholarships for study in Scandinavia

30. [The American-Scandinavian Foundation](https://amscan.org) amscan.org

Scholarships, grants and awards for educational and cultural exchange opportunities available for study and/or research in Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, or Sweden.

- **Level:** Graduate
- **Award:** Varies
- **Requirements:** US citizen or resident
- **Deadline:** November 1
- **How to apply:** Online application

Scholarship for travel & housing

31. [International Student Travel Video Contest](https://internationalstudent.com/contest) internationalstudent.com/contest

Annual contest open to students currently studying abroad or planning to study abroad.

- **Level:** Undergraduate and Graduate
- **Award:** \$4000 / \$1000 / \$500 / \$250
- **Requirements:** Student, 18 years or older
- **Deadline:** October
- **Number of scholarships:** 4

How to apply: online application and 2 minute video submission

Scholarships for volunteering

32. [Go Overseas Volunteer Abroad Scholarship](https://gooverseas.com/scholarships) gooverseas.com/scholarships

Planning a volunteer abroad trip? Apply to the bi-annual Go Overseas Volunteer Abroad Scholarship for a chance to win \$500 to apply to any part of your

volunteer abroad trip.

- **Level:** Undergraduate and graduate
- **Award:** \$500
- **Requirements:** Must be enrolled full-time at an institution based in the U.S
- **Deadline:**
- **How to apply:** Online application; Submit creative photo and essay

33. [Volunteer Forever Scholarships](https://volunteerforever.com/scholarship) volunteerforever.com/scholarship

Awards of \$500 & \$1000 are given out twice a year for students who want to volunteer or teach or intern abroad.

- **Level:** Undergraduate and graduate
- **Award:** \$500 & \$1000
- **Deadline:** TBD
- **How to apply:** Online application

Program provider scholarships

34-38. [Provider Specific Scholarships](#)

Search for additional scholarships from these affiliate program providers for unique scholarships they offer to participants in their programs.

AIFS	aifsabroad.com
API	apistudyabroad.com
SSabroad	ssa.org
Veritas	veritasabroad.com
Worldstrides	worldstrides.com/study-abroad

Concordia scholarships

39. [Concordia Study Abroad Endowment Scholarship](#)

If you receive Federal Financial Aid, check with the Director of Global Opportunities about a **Concordia Study Abroad Endowment Scholarship**

40. [Fiala Asian Studies Scholarship](#)

if you plan to study in an Asian country check with the Director of Global Opportunities to see if you would qualify for a **Fiala Asian Studies Scholarship**.

41. [Luke Scholar Grant](#)

Concordia students who are Luke Scholars could request a \$500 grant to go toward their experience abroad program cost.