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# **FINANCING YOUR STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM**



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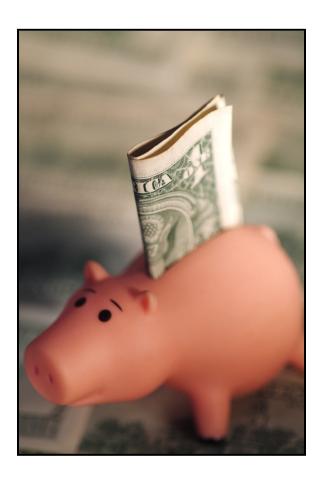
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# I. Introduction

This information is provided by the ASU Study Abroad Office to assist prospective and current applicants in planning and financing an international program. Whether you receive financial aid, scholarships, or would like to, there is useful information for you here. Even students who can pay all program related costs out of their own pockets should consider costs, budgets and financing when selecting and planning their experience abroad.

Many students never pursue study abroad because they falsely assume it is too expensive. While select programs do cost significantly more than a term at ASU, there are other options which may actually cost less! Participating in international programs is feasible even for students with limited financial means through financial aid, scholarships, and proper planning.

Proper financial planning during consideration of study abroad, program selection and preparation is important to ensure you have an affordable and smooth experience. Feel free to use this guide as a tool and to talk to your Study Abroad Office International Coordinator for further information and advice.



**DISCLAIMER:** We endeavor to provide current and accurate cost information, but such data should be considered estimates only. Information in the *Financing Your Study Abroad Program* Handbook and on the Study Abroad Office website is subject to change without notice.

# II. Choosing a Program: Considering Costs

Considerations when choosing a program abroad include factors such as location, academic offerings, language of instruction, school and city character, weather, housing, etc. Regardless of what features and characteristics are most important to you, one factor most students cannot afford to ignore is COST.

It is important to select a program you can afford and to utilize the many sources of funding available. While this handbook makes it clear that there are many sources of funding for international programs, proper planning entails determining how much funding you have to apply towards the experience and how much money the overall experience is likely to cost.



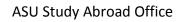
On-line program information can give you a general sense of program cost. Program provider websites and the cost sheets provided by the Study Abroad Office can give you detailed information about how much you can expect to spend, not just on tuition or a program fee, but all other program related expenses.

Beyond knowing your bottom line of potential program related expenses, we encourage you to consider all financial factors below to help ensure you've selected a program type and location that suits your circumstances and budget.

Financial Factor	Partnership Programs	Exchange Programs	Faculty-Directed Programs
Amount charged at	\$100 <u>non-refundable</u>	\$100 <u>non-refundable</u>	\$100 <u>non-refundable</u>
application creation	application fee (applied to	application fee	application fee (applied to
	overall program fee)		overall program fee)
<b>ASU Tuition</b>	Not paid during term(s) on	ASU tuition paid (just as	Not paid during term(s) on
	Study Abroad program	one normally would)	Study Abroad program
Amount charged at	\$350 <u>non-refundable</u>	\$350 <u>non-refundable</u>	\$350 <u>non-refundable</u>
time of commitment	confirmation deposit (applied	confirmation deposit	confirmation deposit (applied
to participation	to overall program fee)		to overall program fee)
Program Fee	Payable through ASU Student	No program fee incurred.	Payable through ASU Student
	Account by posted due dates		Account by posted due dates

Financial Factor	Partnership Programs	<b>Exchange Programs</b>	Faculty-Directed Programs		
ASU Scholarships	Most ASU scholarships should	All scholarship packages	Most ASU scholarships do not		
	apply to your study abroad	should generally be	provide additional monies for		
	program fee. Staff/Faculty	applicable to term(s) on	summer terms, but contact the		
	tuition waivers are excluded.	exchange programs, as	Scholarships Office to confirm		
	Check with the Scholarship	you pay ASU tuition	details based on your specific		
	Office about your specific	directly.	award package. Staff/Faculty		
	scholarship.		tuition waivers are excluded.		
Other Scholarships	Many scholarships and/or grants are available from the Study Abroad Office, our program				
	providers, and other organizations supporting international education. These awards can help				
	defer the cost associated with both study abroad and exchange programs.				
Financial Aid	Students eligible for aid at ASU may get their aid package reassessed to consider any higher				
Amounts	final costs for their international program.				
	Obtain a Cost Sheet, printed from the Study Abroad Office website or staff, or from     the graph provides (ISSA Butley CISE ISA at a)				
	the program provider (IFSA-Butler, CIEE, ISA, etc.)				
	2. Have it signed by Study Abroad Office staff				
Union Pinamaial Aid	3. Drop it off at the Student Financial Assistance Office for aid package assessment.				
Using Financial Aid Towards Direct	Since you pay your Study	Since you pay your normal	Since you pay your Study		
Program Costs	Abroad Program Fee through your ASU student account, you	ASU tuition/fees, you may apply your financial aid	Abroad Program Fee through your ASU student account, you		
Program Costs	may apply your financial aid as	the same way you	may apply your financial aid as		
	you normally would.	normally would.	you normally would.		
Costs Beyond	What a program fee covers	Generally you will have to	What a program fee covers		
Program Fee or	varies per program: from just	cover all other	varies per program: from just		
Tuition	host school tuition, to tuition,	educational and living	tuition and housing, to tuition,		
	room, board, flight, excursions,	expenses, (special class	room, board, excursions, and		
	etc, Make sure you assess	fees, books, room, board,	local transportation, etc, Make		
	what your expenses are	flights, etc.). The Study	sure you assess what your		
	beyond your program fee. The	Abroad Program Cost	expenses are beyond your		
	Study Abroad Program Cost	Sheet can help you	program fee. The Study Abroad		
	Sheet and/or program provider	determine your additional	Program Cost Sheet can help		
	can help you determine this.	estimated expenses.	you determine this.		
Smaller Costs to	Passport, visa, luggage, communication-cell phones, calling cards, etc., travel money for free				
Factor Into Your	time, gifts, general spending money like you would need here, (toiletries, snacks, laundry,				
Budget	etc.). The Study Abroad Program	etc.). The Study Abroad Program Cost Sheet will help you estimate these expenses.			

Do not let financial matters deter you from participating in a study abroad program. Through proper planning, most ASU students can find a program they can afford and an experience that lasts a lifetime. The Study Abroad Office staff is happy to assist you with considering costs when selecting or planning for your international program.



# **III. Program Fees and Deadlines**

# **Exchange Program Costs**

#### **Application Fee**

All exchange program participants are required to pay a **non-refundable** \$100 application fee.

- At the time of application, the Study Abroad Office will charge \$100 to your ASU student account.
- You will be expected to pay this fee by the due date posted on your account.
- In the event you are going to participate in two different programs, back-to-back, you will need to make separate application fee payments for each.

#### **Confirmation Deposit**

All exchange program participants are also required to pay a non-refundable \$350 confirmation deposit.

- At the time you commit to participate in a program (through the Study Abroad Office website) the Study Abroad Office will charge \$350 to your ASU student account.
- You will be expected to pay this fee by the due date posted on your account.
- In the event you are going to participate in two different exchange programs, back-to-back, you will need to make separate confirmation fee payments for each.

#### **ASU Tuition**

If you are an undergraduate you will register for a full-time load of the study abroad placeholder course (12 credits per semester, 3-9 credits per summer term). Graduate students must register for at least 9 credits each semester or 3-9 credits per summer term. Participants receive the class number for their placeholder in their pre-departure orientation. Resident (in-state) students pay the resident tuition rate; Non-Resident (out-of-state) students will pay the non-resident tuition rate.

#### **Tuition Payment**

You will be expected to pay your ASU tuition upon registering in the study abroad placeholder course. Follow the same registration and payment procedures as if you were staying on-campus (see current schedule of classes for registration cycles and payment deadlines).

- **Special note:** Make sure to pay your tuition by the corresponding payment deadline or you will be charged a late fee and placed into a payment plan.
- Tuition Fee Waivers may be used to pay your tuition, as normal.

#### Accommodation

The host institution will send housing information to your Study Abroad International Coordinator. For exchanges offering accommodation through the host school, your Study Abroad International Coordinator will give you these application materials to complete as a part of the program application. If you opt to use this oncampus housing you will make deposits and payments directly to the host institution, unless otherwise instructed by the host institution's international office.

**Special Note:** Your accommodation on-campus will be for a designated period of time. Read the literature carefully as it is possible the contract period may run longer than your planned length of stay. You are still financially obligated to that contract if you choose that option and leave to travel before coming home or want to return to the U.S. once your classes are done. Any refunds would be at the discretion of the host institutions accommodation refund policy. In the event you opt to find your own housing while abroad you will need to pay the landlord directly for any deposits or monthly payments.

#### **Living and Traveling Expenses**

You will pay for your own transportation to and from your exchange placement. In addition you will pay for your food, insurance, books and any other personal expenses as you incur them. If you are working with financial aid and would like to have the increased cost of studying abroad taken into consideration, please print a Cost Sheet from the Study Abroad Office website or ask your Study Abroad International Coordinator to obtain a cost sheet for your specific program (see section IV on Financial Aid for more specific instructions).

# **Partnership Program Costs**

#### **Application Fee**

All partnership program participants are required to pay a **non-refundable** \$100 application fee.

- At the time of application, the Study Abroad Office will charge \$100 to your ASU student account. This application fee will be applied to the overall program fee for your program.
- You will be expected to pay this fee by the due date posted on your account.
- In the event you are going to participate in two different programs, back- to- back, you will need to make separate application fee payments for each.

#### **Confirmation Deposit**

All partnership program participants are also required to pay a **non-refundable** \$350 confirmation deposit.

- At the time you commit to participate in a program through the Study Abroad Office website, the Study Abroad Office will charge \$350 to your ASU student account. This confirmation deposit will be applied to the overall program fee for your program.
- You will be expected to pay this fee by the due date posted on your account.
- In the event you are going to participate in two different programs, back- to- back, you will need to make separate confirmation fee payments for each.

#### **Study Abroad Program Fees**

The \$100 application fee and \$350 confirmation deposit are both part of your program fee and will be deducted from the total balance due. The balance of the program fee will be charged to your ASU student account.\* For those participating in a year-long program, the program fee will be divided into two charges on your student account. You must pay 50% of the program fee by the deadline posted for the first semester of participation, and the remaining 50% by the deadline posted for the second semester of participation. Upon

request, your Study Abroad International Coordinator can provide you with a worksheet to assist in calculating the amount of each installment.

\*Please note that non-resident students may be required to pay a different program fee than Arizona residents. Refer to your specific program's cost sheet for complete program fee details.

**Please remember** that your study abroad program fee DOES NOT include tuition for optional non-credit bearing courses (Italian Cooking, Pottery, etc.), or supplemental tuition charges (such as for heavy science course loads in Ireland or Australia), beyond what is specified on the program documentation provided by the program provider or the Study Abroad office, NOR does it include additional non-academic endeavors such as group parties, tours or other cultural events, (unless specified).

#### **Method of Payment**

All Study Abroad Office program fees will be charged to your ASU student account and are to be paid using the same methods you would normally use to pay your ASU charges. More information on payment options is available on the ASU website at <a href="http://students.asu.edu/paymentoptions">http://students.asu.edu/paymentoptions</a>.

#### **Use of Financial Aid**

See section IV on Financial Aid for more specific instructions.

# **Faculty-Directed Program Costs**

#### **Application Fee**

All faculty-directed program participants are required to pay a **non-refundable** \$100 application fee.

- At the time of application, the Study Abroad Office will charge \$100 to your ASU student account. This application fee will be applied to the overall program fee for your program.
- You will be expected to pay this fee by the due date posted on your account.
- In the event you are going to participate in two different programs, back- to- back, you will need to make separate application fee payments for each.

#### **Confirmation Deposit**

All faculty-directed program participants are also required to pay a **non-refundable** \$350 confirmation deposit.

- At the time you commit to participate in a program, through the Study Abroad Office website, the Study Abroad Office will charge \$350 to your ASU student account. This confirmation deposit will be applied to the overall program fee for your program.
- You will be expected to pay this fee by the due date posted on your account.
- In the event you are going to participate in two different programs, back- to- back, you will need to make separate confirmation fee payments for each.

#### **Faculty-Directed Program Fees**

The \$100 application fee and \$350 confirmation deposit are both part of your program fee and will be deducted from the total balance due. The balance of the program fee will be charged to your ASU student account.

#### **Method of Payment**

All Study Abroad Office program fees will be charged to your ASU student account and are to be paid using the same methods you would normally use to pay your ASU charges.

- **Special note:** Make sure to pay your program fees by the corresponding payment deadline or you will be charged a late fee and placed into a payment plan.
- More information on payment options is available on the ASU website at http://students.asu.edu/paymentoptions.

#### **Use of Financial Aid**

See section IV on Financial Aid for more specific instructions.



# **Study Abroad Payment Timeline**

# **Spring Semester and Calendar Year Programs**

**September 25** Program Application deadline (for most programs)

Your <u>Non-Refundable</u> \$100 Application Fee is due on the first 25<sup>th</sup> of the month after you create your application (*for all programs*). For example, if you create your application on Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, your application fee will be due on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to refer to your Student Account in My ASU for your specific due dates.

Your <u>Non-Refundable</u> \$350 Confirmation Deposit is due on the first 25<sup>th</sup> of the month after you confirm your participation in the program (*for all programs*). For example, if you confirm your participation on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, your confirmation deposit will be due on Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to refer to your Student Account in My ASU for your specific due dates.

**December 25** Spring, first half of Calendar Year, and second half of Academic Year program fee due

(for Partnership programs only)

**December 25** Spring and Calendar Year International Medical Insurance Fee due (for Exchange

programs only)

January Spring Semester tuition payment deadline (for Exchange programs only)

# **Summer, Fall and Academic Year Programs**

March 1 Program Application deadline (for most programs)

Your <u>Non-Refundable</u> \$100 Application Fee is due on the first 25<sup>th</sup> of the month after you create your application (for all programs). For example, if you create your application on Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, your application fee will be due on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to refer to your Student Account in My ASU for your specific due dates.

Your <u>Non-Refundable</u> \$350 Confirmation Deposit is due on the first 25<sup>th</sup> of the month after you confirm your participation in the program (for all programs). For example, if you confirm your participation on March 15<sup>th</sup>, your confirmation deposit will be due on March 25<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to refer to your Student Account in My ASU for your specific due dates.

Mid-Late May Summer tuition payment deadline (for Exchange programs only)

May 25 Summer program fee due (for Partnership and Faculty Directed programs)

**August 25** Fall, first half of Academic Year, and second half of Calendar Year program fee due (for

Partnership programs only)

**August 25** Fall and Academic Year International Medical Insurance Fee due (for Exchange programs

only)

**August** Fall semester tuition payment deadline (for Exchange programs only)

# **IV. Financial Aid**

#### Overview

It is possible to apply Federal Financial Aid money towards the cost of all study abroad and exchange program options offered through the ASU Study Abroad Office. Even if you have not received Federal Financial Aid in the past, you should consider applying for financial aid for the period of your overseas study. It is very important to plan ahead to organize funding for your international program.

#### How to apply

In order to be considered for Federal Financial Aid, all students and parents of dependent students, should apply for a U.S. Department of Education PIN at <a href="www.pin.ed.gov">www.pin.ed.gov</a>. PINs can be used to sign your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) electronically, simplifying and expediting the application process. You can complete your FAFSA online at <a href="www.fafsa.ed.gov">www.fafsa.ed.gov</a>. The ASU school code you'll need to reference on the FAFSA is 001081. The steps for applying for Federal Financial Aid can be found on the SFAO website at <a href="http://students.asu.edu/financialaid/apply">http://students.asu.edu/financialaid/apply</a>. You should use the SFAO website as a guideline for applying for Federal Financial Aid.

It is important to note that the FAFSA application is completed and funds disbursed based on information provided in your current tax return. Since the FAFSA application period and the tax return season coincide, it is important to have your tax return completed early to allow yourself enough time to meet both the FAFSA application deadline and the Study Abroad Office program payment deadlines. If you are still a dependent of your parents, the FAFSA should be completed based on your parents' tax return information. If you are an independent student, the FAFSA should be completed based on your tax return information.

#### When to apply

It is best to apply for Federal Financial Aid early, but not before January 1<sup>st</sup> for the following academic year. Completion of the FAFSA by the priority filing date of March 1<sup>st</sup> is recommended due to the funding limitations of some programs. Your financial aid file must be complete, including any documents requested by the ASU SFAO. When applying for Federal Financial Aid, it is important to keep in mind that the final payment deadline for summer, fall, and full academic year study abroad programs is June 6<sup>th</sup>. As financial aid procedures for overseas study will take additional time and planning, you should plan your FAFSA application accordingly.

#### **Financial Aid: Considering Program Related Costs**

The ASU SFAO generally allocates the maximum award possible to students based on need. The amount of aid you are allocated in grants and loans is the maximum amount available to you based on your estimated need, regardless of whether you will be studying overseas, or remaining on the ASU campus for any given term. However, there is still an opportunity to increase your eligibility for aid by obtaining a Cost Sheet from the Study Abroad Office website and turning it in to the SFAO to adjust the amount of aid for which you are eligible. The Cost Sheet produced by the Study Abroad Office, or available from the program provider, typically outlines the following costs, which are all taken into consideration in the adjustment of your aid eligibility: Books and Supplies, Airfare, Health Insurance, Passport and Visa, Room, Board, Personal, Additional Transportation, Intensive Language Fee, Other fees (immunizations, etc). Please refer to your specific program page on the Study Abroad Office website for a program related cost breakdown for your study abroad program. If your study abroad program is administered through one of our program providers (IFSA-Butler, CIEE, or ISA), you may also consult their website or call their toll free number to get a cost estimate breakdown. Once you have a cost sheet in hand, come by the Study Abroad Office to have it signed by a Study

Abroad International Coordinator. You may then drop it off at the ASU SFAO to have your eligibility reassessed.

Please note that the opportunity to increase your eligibility for aid MAY NOT mean that the amount of scholarships, grants and most loans can be increased. Increased eligibility creates the opportunity for students to apply for increased amounts of Alternative, Graduate Plus or Parent Plus loans. If desired, complete the Federal Plus Loan and/or Graduate Plus Loan applications at <a href="http://students.asu.edu/loans/plus">http://students.asu.edu/loans/plus</a>. Alternative loans can be applied for through lenders such as Sallie Mae or directly through a bank. For further information on Alternative and Parent Plus Loans, please refer to the SFAO website: <a href="http://students.asu.edu/financialaid">http://students.asu.edu/financialaid</a>.

#### **Using Financial Aid for Exchange Programs**

Students participating in Exchange programs will be paying their normal ASU tuition. Hence, Exchange participants who are also financial aid recipients should follow the regular Federal Financial Aid procedures outlined on the SFAO website. Exchange students can also obtain a Cost Sheet from the Study Abroad Office website to determine whether or not they are eligible for increased aid, but apart from the Cost Sheet, the Study Abroad Office will not play any sort of role in the financial aid process for Exchange program participants. Please see the following two paragraphs for more details about the Cost Sheet and the opportunity to increase your eligibility for aid.

#### Using Financial Aid for Your Semester or Academic Year Study Abroad Program Fee

Visit <a href="http://students.asu.edu/financialaid">http://students.asu.edu/financialaid</a> for the most updated and accurate information. Students participating in semester or full year Partnership programs will be responsible for paying a program fee posted to your ASU student account. Because this amount is charged to your ASU student account, when your aid package is disbursed it will be applied to any outstanding charges on your account.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

- 1) Some forms of financial aid are not eligible to be applied to the final program fee balance due. This includes: (1) work study funding; (2) ASU faculty/staff tuition waivers; (3) awards disbursed directly to students like NSEP, Gilman & Freeman scholarships; (4) alternative loans that do not electronically transfer the funds to SFAO; and (5) some private donor and/or departmental scholarships. Please check with your donor or department to determine if you are eligible to use your award for Study Abroad.
- 2) *Institutional Scholarships:* Prior to the posting of spring grades, renewable institutional merit scholarships are tentative. Students who do not renew their scholarships must contact the Study Abroad Office for other payment arrangements.
- 3) Any student who has not paid any portion of their total program fee for any reason by the posted payment deadline is subject to withdrawal from the study abroad program.
- 4) Any student who submits a cost sheet to SFAO, and has their financial aid Cost of Attendance adjusted, MUST notify SFAO in the event that they do not participate in their selected study abroad program. SFAO must readjust the student's Cost of Attendance and if necessary reduce awards to clear any overawards. Students will be responsible for overpayment charges.

# Summer Study Abroad Financial Aid Information

Visit <a href="http://students.asu.edu/financialaid/summer">http://students.asu.edu/financialaid/summer</a> for the most updated and accurate information.

#### **General Eligibility for Summer Financial Aid**

Students are considered eligible for summer financial assistance by:

- > Enrolling in ASU courses during the summer term (minimum of 6 credits for undergrads and 5 for grads)
- Having a valid FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) on file for the current school year (for federal aid consideration), as summer is part of the previous fall and spring academic year.
- Meeting eligibility criteria detailed online at <a href="http://students.asu.edu/policies/financial-aid-eligibility-criteria">http://students.asu.edu/policies/financial-aid-eligibility-criteria</a>.

Eligible first-time ASU students will receive a summer financial aid notification, sent to their mailing address on file. Continuing students will be notified via e-mail. These notifications will include instructions on how to view awards and complete the summer financial aid process.

The amount of financial aid disbursed will be based on actual enrollment.

Summer disbursement begins in late May for students enrolled in the first and/or eight-week summer session. Students only enrolled in the second summer session receive summer disbursements beginning early July. Specific dates will be available as we approach the summer term.

#### **Summer Funding Sources\***

- Federal Pell Grant
- Federal ACG/SMART Grants
- <u>Federal Direct Stafford Loans</u>
- Federal PLUS Loans
- Federal Grad PLUS Loans
- Federal Work-Study
- Alternative Student Loans

#### **Using Financial Aid for Summer Study Abroad Programs**

Most Federal subsidized and unsubsidized loans and alternative loans can be applied to Partnership and Faculty Directed program fees, using the appropriate form provided in students' orientation sessions. Information on this process will be provided in students' pre-departure orientation session.

#### **More Information**

Students should visit the Student Financial Aid Office and meet with a Financial Aid Counselor to learn more about qualifying for summer financial aid.

**Location:** Student Service building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

**Hours:** Monday-Friday 8am to 5pm, no appointment necessary

General inquiries: 480-965-3355 Website: <a href="http://students.asu.edu/financialaid/summer">http://students.asu.edu/financialaid/summer</a>

Students should also consult the appropriate Study Abroad International Coordinator regarding any questions they have on applying financial aid to the study abroad program fee, applying for Study Abroad Office scholarships, or making payments to the Study Abroad Office for the summer study abroad program.

Location: Tempe Center, Suite 150 (951 S. Mill Ave) General email: studyabroad@asu.edu

Hours: Monday-Friday 8am to 5pm Website: https://studyabroad.asu.edu

General inquiries: 480-965-5965

<sup>\*</sup> Summer funding is limited to remaining eligibility from the preceding academic year.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

Any student who submits a cost sheet to SFAO, and has their financial aid Cost of Attendance adjusted, **MUST notify SFAO** in the event that they do not participate in their selected study abroad program. SFAO must readjust the student's Cost of Attendance and if necessary reduce awards to clear any over-awards. Students will be responsible for overpayment charges.

# **General Financial Aid & Scholarship Timeline**

January 1 FAFSA is available for the upcoming academic year

March 1 Priority date for filing FAFSA

March 1 General ASU Scholarship Deadline for filing the application via the web

Mid-April First Financial Aid Notifications sent to students for next academic year

Mid-May Tuition payment deadline for summer classes

Late May First day of summer classes



Mid-August Tuition payment deadline for fall classes

Mid-Late August First day of fall semester classes

December Tuition payment deadline for spring and classes

Mid-January First day of spring term classes

#### **Full-time course load**

Participating in a semester-length study abroad program requires you to maintain a minimum ASU full-time course load of 12 credits (9 credits for graduate students), taking no more than the maximum load of 18 credits. You are required to sustain a particular course load to maintain your financial aid eligibility as well. It is important to be familiar with the financial aid course load requirements, which you can find on the SFAO website: <a href="http://students.asu.edu/financialaid">http://students.asu.edu/financialaid</a>.



#### **Useful websites**

Arizona State University Student Financial Aid Office Home Page: <a href="http://students.asu.edu/financialaid">http://students.asu.edu/financialaid</a>

FAFSA on the Web: www.fafsa.ed.gov

# V. Scholarships

# **Study Abroad Office Grants**

The ASU Study Abroad Office is pleased to offer grants to ASU students participating in ASU-sponsored foreign summer, semester, or academic year study abroad programs. All scholarships awarded are conditional upon the recipient's official acceptance into their study abroad program.

Grants are primarily based on financial need and secondarily on academic performance. Only one application is necessary to be considered for all the Study Abroad Grant listed below for which you are eligible. You may receive more than one award. Students participating in academic and calendar year programs who do not receive an award in their first semester are welcome to re-apply in the second term of their program. To be considered, submit your grant application online before the deadline corresponding to your program term:

Spring Semester
Summer or Fall Semester

September 15 February 15

If you withdraw from a program, for any reason (voluntary or involuntary), any grants you were awarded 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 ASU student account.

Applications for Study Abroad Office grants are available on our website at <a href="https://studyabroad.asu.edu/?go=Grants">https://studyabroad.asu.edu/?go=Grants</a>. To access the application, click the Programs link on the top right side of the page. Search for Scholarship programs, and the Study Abroad Office Grant "program" will appear. Click on that program and then click "Apply Now" to start your application. Students participating in academic and calendar year programs that do not receive an award in their first semester are welcome to re-apply for the second term of their program.

#### **Need-based Travel Grant**

#### Eligibility:

- Have started a study abroad application by the Travel Grant application deadline.
- Be a degree-seeking ASU student (undergraduate or graduate) at the time of application.
- Have the equivalent of one full-time semester of completed and posted ASU credit hours at the time of application.
- Have a minimum cumulative ASU GPA of 2.5 or higher.
- Have a FAFSA on file with the ASU Student Financial Aid Office\*.
- Be eligible to receive ASU financial aid.
- Be in good standing with the ASU Student Affairs Office with no Code of Conduct violations on record.

<sup>\*</sup>It may take several months for the U.S. Government and the ASU Student Financial Aid Office to process a FAFSA after it's submitted. To confirm you have a current FAFSA, check your ASU student account or contact SFAO.

#### **ASU Scholarships**

Many academic departments and colleges at ASU offer scholarships. The award amounts and criteria vary; however, scholarships are usually restricted to students majoring in a particular academic discipline. *Each academic division is responsible for awarding these scholarships. Therefore, it is necessary for students to contact the departments directly for information and application deadlines.* 

#### **Scholarship Timeline**

March 1 ASU General Scholarship Priority Filing Date

May 1 Scholarship Deferment Request form needs to be handed in to Scholarships Office if

participating in fall or AY program

December 1 Scholarship Deferment Request form needs to be handed in to Scholarships Office if

participating in a spring program

#### **Partnership Program Participants**

You may apply most ASU administered scholarships (this includes ASU departmental scholarships) and money from outside donors (disbursed through ASU SFAO) towards your study abroad program fee. **Faculty/Staff tuition waivers may not be used during terms of participation on study abroad programs.** As you are applying to the Study Abroad Office, you must inform the ASU Scholarships Office of your status as a study abroad student to determine what scholarships may be applicable during your time abroad.

#### **Faculty Directed Program Participants**

You may apply most ASU administered scholarships (this includes ASU departmental scholarships) and money from outside donors (disbursed through ASU SFAO) towards your study abroad program fee. **Faculty/Staff tuition waivers may not be used during terms of participation on study abroad programs.** As you are applying to the Study Abroad Office, you must inform the ASU Scholarships Office of your status as a study abroad student to determine what scholarships may be applicable during your time abroad.

#### **Exchange Program Participants**

Most forms of ASU scholarships (including faculty/staff tuition waivers) may be utilized when participating on an Exchange program.

# **Additional Scholarships**

Partnership, external and departmental scholarships are available. View the Study Abroad Office website for more information.