# FINANCING YOUR STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM

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Introduction

This information is provided by the ASU Study Abroad Office (SAO) to assist prospective and current applicants in planning and financing an international program. Participating in international programs is feasible, even for students with limited financial means, through financial aid, scholarships, community-based funding, and proper planning.

Choosing a Program: Considering Costs

It is important to select a program you can afford and to utilize the many sources of funding available. The cost sheets available on the Study Abroad Office website and program provider websites can give detailed information about how much you can expect to spend, not only on tuition or a program fee, but on all program-related expenses.

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. Bottom line:

Don’t let financial matters deter you from participating in a study abroad program!

The chart on the following two pages outlines the expected costs of each of the four types of programs the Study Abroad Office offers: Partnership, Exchange, Global Intensive Experience, and Faculty-Directed. Take some time to familiarize yourself with the costs that will be covered through your tuition (Exchange) or program fee (Partnership, Global Intensive Experience, and Faculty-Directed) and those additional costs beyond tuition or the program fee.

DISCLAIMER: The ASU Study Abroad Office endeavors 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.
## Overview of Costs by Program Type

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<td>Generally you will have to cover all other educational and living expenses (textbooks, housing, meals, airfare, passport, visa, etc.). The Study Abroad Program Cost Sheet can help you determine your additional estimated expenses.</td>
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<td><strong>Smaller Costs to Factor Into Your Budget</strong></td>
<td>Consider day-to-day costs involved in studying abroad, including luggage fees, communication (cell phones, data plans, etc.), local transportation, souvenirs, general spending money (toiletries, snacks, laundry, etc.), and other personal expenses.</td>
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Program Fees and Deadlines

Exchange Programs

Application Fee
You are required to pay a **non-refundable** $50 application fee.

- Upon signing the “Acknowledgment of Application” document in your application, the Study Abroad Office will charge $50 to your ASU student account which will be due on the date posted.
- If you participate in two different programs back-to-back, you will pay two application fees.

Administrative Fee
Upon confirmation of participation, you are required to pay a **non-refundable** $400 administrative fee.

- The Administrative fee is due by the date posted on your account.
- If you participate in two different exchange programs back-to-back, you will pay two administrative fees.

International Medical Insurance
SAO will enroll you in a mandatory medical insurance policy, with coverage for the duration of the official program dates.

- The Medical Insurance Fee for semester exchange participants is approximately $200; the fee for full year exchange participants is approximately $400. The Medical Insurance Fee for summer exchange programs varies as the actual amount charged to each participant is dependent on the dates of the program.
- After you confirm participation in the Program, the SAO will charge the actual cost of insurance to your ASU account, pending official Program dates, and the payment will be due by the date posted on your account.

ASU Tuition
If you are an undergraduate student, you will register for a full-time course load of the SAO 196 placeholder course (minimum 12 credits per semester; summer credits vary depending on Program requirements). Graduate students must register for a full-time course load of the SAO 596 placeholder course (minimum 9 credits per semester; summer credits vary depending on Program requirements). Participants will receive course enrollment instructions and class numbers in their study abroad application upon being accepted into a program.

For summer exchange programs, it is important to enroll in the actual number of credits that you expect to earn at ASU so as to not over- or under-pay your tuition. When your credits are transferred back to ASU, any differences in the credit amount will be reconciled. If you under-enroll in the placeholder course, you will be charged the remaining tuition once your courses have transferred back to ASU.

Resident (in-state) students pay the [resident tuition rate](#); Non-Resident (out-of-state) students pay the [non-resident tuition rate](#); Online students pay the [online tuition rate](#); International students pay the [international tuition rate](#).
Tuition Payment
You will be billed your regular ASU tuition upon registering in the study abroad placeholder course. Follow the same payment and deadline procedures as if you were enrolling in any other course (see current schedule of classes for registration cycles and payment deadlines).

- 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.

Additional Fees
Participants are required to pay some mandatory registration fees to ASU. Students will be expected to pay the Technology Fee and Financial Aid Trust Fee as a condition of participation. These expenses will be directly billed to your ASU Student Account at the time you register for the SAO 196/596 placeholder course.

**Note:** Participants who take other ASU courses in addition to the placeholder course will be charged **All** mandatory registration fees. In addition, certain majors at ASU charge students an additional program tuition/fee in order to maintain enrollment in the major (e.g. W. P. Carey, Barrett, Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering); students are responsible for paying these fees as normal during the term(s) they are abroad.

Accommodation
You will receive housing information directly from the host institution or your Study Abroad International Coordinator. In most exchange programs, you will make deposits and payments directly to the host institution, landlord, host family, etc. 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 information carefully as it is possible the contract period may run longer than your planned length of stay. If you choose to depart before the contract period is over, you are still financially obligated to the contract. Any refunds would be at the discretion of the host. If you opt to find your own housing while abroad, you should pay the landlord directly for any deposits or monthly payments.

Additionally, if you are studying abroad for an entire year, verify the accommodation that is offered during the break between semesters, as there may be an additional charge that is not reflected on the cost sheet.

Living and Traveling Expenses
You will pay for your own transportation to and from your host university. Additionally you will pay for your meals, local health insurance (if applicable), textbooks, and any other personal expenses as you incur them.
Partnership Programs

Application Fee
You are required to pay a non-refundable $50 application fee.

- Upon signing the “Acknowledgment of Application” document in your application, the Study Abroad Office will charge $50 to your ASU student account which will be due on the date posted.
- If you participate in two different programs back-to-back, you will pay two application fees.

Study Abroad Program Fees*
For Partnership programs, participants pay a study abroad Program Fee, which includes tuition and may include additional features as part of a comprehensive program package, such as accommodation, meals, dedicated on-site staff, in-country orientations, airport pick-up, insurance, overnight excursions, and local field trips.

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. Payment plans are available; view the Study Abroad Program Split-Payment Option section for more details.

*Note: Non-resident, Online, and International 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.

ASU Tuition (summer only)
For summer Partnership programs, your Program fee includes ASU tuition only for the courses you complete on the Program. Any additional ASU courses will be charged regular ASU tuition and fees.

Additional Fees
Participants are required to pay some mandatory registration fees to ASU. Students will be expected to pay the Technology Fee and Financial Aid Trust Fee as a condition of participation. These expenses will be directly billed to your ASU Student Account at the time you register for the SAO 196/596 placeholder course.

Note: Participants who take other ASU courses in addition to the placeholder course will be charged ALL mandatory registration fees. In addition, certain majors at ASU charge students an additional program tuition/fee in order to maintain enrollment in the major (e.g. W. P. Carey, Barrett, Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering); students are responsible for paying these fees as normal during the term(s) they are abroad.

Your study abroad program fee DOES NOT include tuition for optional non-credit bearing courses (Italian Cooking, Pottery, etc.), or supplemental tuition charges (heavy science course loads in Ireland or Australia), beyond what is specified on the program documentation, nor does it include additional non-academic activities such as tours and excursions or other cultural events.

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 http://students.asu.edu/paymentoptions.
Global Intensive Experience Programs

Application Fee

You are required to pay a non-refundable $50 application fee.

- Upon signing the “Acknowledgment of Application” document in your application, the Study Abroad Office will charge $50 to your ASU student account which will be due on the date posted.

Study Abroad Program Fee

You are responsible for paying a study abroad Program Fee, which includes accommodation, dedicated on-site ASU faculty/staff, in-country orientations, and insurance, and may also include features like overnight excursions and local field trips as part of a comprehensive program package.

ASU Tuition

Global Intensive Experience courses are included in your semester tuition, provided you are enrolled in at least 7+ credit hours for Resident and 12+ for Non-Resident and International students. Resident (in-state) students pay the resident tuition rate; Non-Resident (out-of-state) students pay the non-resident tuition rate; Online students pay the online tuition rate; International students pay the international tuition rate.

Additional Fees

Participants are required to pay mandatory registration fees to ASU as normal. In addition, certain majors at ASU charge students an additional program tuition/fee in order to maintain enrollment in the major (e.g. W. P. Carey, Barrett, Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering); students are responsible for paying these fees as normal. In addition, certain courses at ASU require students to pay special class fees (e.g. foreign language courses).

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 http://students.asu.edu/paymentoptions.
Faculty-Directed Programs

Application Fee
You are required to pay a non-refundable $50 application fee.

- Upon signing the “Acknowledgment of Application” document in your application, the Study Abroad Office will charge $50 to your ASU student account which will be due on the date posted.
- If you participate in two different programs back-to-back, you will pay two application fees.

Study Abroad Program Fee
You are responsible for paying a study abroad Program Fee, which includes ASU tuition for the number of credits offered on the program, accommodation, dedicated on-site ASU faculty/staff, in-country orientations, and insurance, and may also include features like overnight excursions and local field trips as part of a comprehensive program package.

ASU Tuition
Your Program fee includes ASU tuition only for the courses you complete on the Program. Any additional ASU courses outside of the study abroad courses will be charged regular ASU tuition and fees. Participants are required to pay their ASU tuition for these additional courses by the due date posted on their account.

Additional Fees
Participants are required to pay some mandatory registration fees to ASU. Students will be expected to pay the Technology Fee and Financial Aid Trust Fee as a condition of participation. These expenses will be directly billed to your ASU Student Account at the time you register for your Faculty-Directed program courses.

Note: Participants who take other ASU courses in addition to the placeholder course will be charged ALL mandatory registration fees. In addition, certain majors at ASU charge students an additional program tuition/fee in order to maintain enrollment in the major (e.g. W. P. Carey, Barrett, Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering); students are responsible for paying these fees as normal during the term(s) they are abroad.

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 http://students.asu.edu/paymentoptions.
Study Abroad Program Split-Payment Option*

*Note: Only Partnership, Global Intensive Experience, and Faculty-Directed Programs are eligible for the split-payment option. This section does NOT apply to Exchange programs.

In an effort to assist our students, the Study Abroad Office is happy to offer you a choice in how we charge your Study Abroad Program Fee to your ASU student account. This service is completely free of charge:

- **One single charge.** In this case, the Study Abroad Office will post your entire Study Abroad Program Fee to your ASU student account.

- **Two charges.** In this case, the Study Abroad Office will post your Study Abroad Program Fee as two equal charges that will be due 30 calendar days apart.

- **Four charges (Academic Year and Calendar Year programs only).** In this case, the Study Abroad Office will post your Study Abroad Program Fee as four equal charges.

Upon acceptance to a program, students may opt into the split-payment option by completing the Program Fee Billing Preference form in their study abroad application within the stated timeframe. By default, the Study Abroad Office will post the Study Abroad Program Fee as one single charge (two for full-year programs) unless otherwise indicated through this form.

**The split-payment option only applies to your Study Abroad Program Fee.** If you will be enrolling in any additional ASU courses outside of the study abroad courses, you will be charged regular ASU tuition and fees, which will be due by the date posted on your account.
Study Abroad Payment Timeline

Spring Semester and Calendar Year Programs

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

Your **Non-Refundable $50 Application Fee** is due on the 25th of the first month after you sign the “Acknowledgment of Application” document in your application *(for all programs)*. For example, if you sign this document on Sept. 15th, your application fee will be due on Oct. 25th. Be sure to refer to your Student Account in My ASU for your specific due dates.

**December 25**  
Spring and first half of Calendar Year program fee due *(for Partnership programs only)*. If you have elected to participate in the split-payment option, check your MyASU account for due date details.

**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)*

**August 25**  
Second half of Calendar Year program fee due *(for Partnership programs only)*. If you have elected to participate in the split-payment option, check your MyASU account for due date details.

Global Intensive Experience Programs

**November 1**  
Program Application deadline

Your **Non-Refundable $50 Application Fee** is due on the 25th of the first month after you sign the “Acknowledgment of Application” document in your application *(for all programs)*. For example, if you sign this document on Sept. 15th, your application fee will be due on Oct. 25th. Be sure to refer to your Student Account in My ASU for your specific due dates.

**November 30**  
Confirmation deadline

**February 25**  
Global Intensive Experience Program Fee due. If you have elected to participate in the split-payment option, check your MyASU account for due date details.

Fall and Academic Year Programs

**March 1**  
Program Application deadline *(for most programs)*

Your **Non-Refundable $50 Application Fee** is due on the 25th of the first month after you sign the “Acknowledgment of Application” document in your application *(for all programs)*. For example, if you sign this document on Feb. 15th, your application fee will be due on March 25th. Be sure to refer to your Student Account in My ASU for your specific due dates.
August Fall semester tuition payment deadline (for Exchange programs only)

August 25 Fall and first half of Academic Year program fee due (for Partnership programs only). If you have elected to participate in the split-payment option, check your MyASU account for due date details.

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

December 25 Second half of Academic Year program fee due (for Partnership programs only). If you have elected to participate in the split-payment option, check your MyASU account for due date details.

Summer Programs

March 1 Program Application deadline (for most programs)

Your Non-Refundable $50 Application Fee is due on the 25th of the first month after you sign the “Acknowledgment of Application” document in your application (for all programs). For example, if you sign this document on Feb. 15th, your application fee will be due on March 25th. Be sure to refer to your Student Account in My ASU for your specific due dates.

March 8 Confirmation deadline (for Faculty-Directed programs only)

May Summer semester tuition payment deadline (for Exchange programs only)

May 25 Summer program fee due (for Partnership and Faculty-Directed programs only). If you have elected to participate in the split-payment option, check your MyASU account for due date details.

May 25 International Medical Insurance Fee due (for Exchange programs only)

Werfen, Austria, ASU International Business in Prague – Savannah Kralovec
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, definitely 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 [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov). 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 [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). 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 [Financial Aid and Scholarship Services (FASS) website](http://www.asu.edu/finaid/).

When to Apply

It is best to apply for Federal Financial Aid early, but not before January 1st for the following academic year. Completion of the FAFSA by the priority filing date of March 1st is recommended due to the funding limitations of some programs. Your financial aid file must be complete, including any documents requested by the ASU FASS office.

Reassessing Your Eligibility

The ASU Financial Aid and Scholarship Services (FASS) office generally allocates the maximum award possible to students based on need. However, there is still an opportunity to increase your eligibility for aid by submitting a Cost Sheet for your study abroad program to FASS. Each Cost Sheet 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, housing, meals, personal expenses, local transportation, and other fees (ASU Travel Clinic Screening, additional visa-related expenses, etc.).

In order to have your financial aid eligibility reassessed, read the following sections pertaining to your study abroad program type:

**Partnership and Exchange Programs**
After confirming participation in your program, obtain a Cost Sheet from the Study Abroad Office website for your specific program and term. Sign your section and bring it to the Study Abroad Office for a signature from an International Coordinator. After obtaining this second signature, submit it to FASS with a request to adjust the amount of aid for which you are eligible.

**Faculty-Directed and Global Intensive Experience Programs**
Upon beginning an application, you will receive an e-mail from FASS detailing your current estimated financial aid package for the summer. Once you confirm your participation in a Study Abroad Office program, you will receive a second e-mail from FASS outlining your current aid package and listing any
additional loans for which you may be eligible to apply. Summer awards will be posted no earlier than mid-April.

Please note that the opportunity to increase your eligibility for aid does not guarantee that the amount of scholarships, grants, and/or most loans can be increased. Generally, if there is an increase, it will be through Alternative (private), Graduate Plus or Parent Plus loans. If desired, complete the Federal Plus Loan and/or Graduate Plus Loan applications. Alternative (private) loans can be applied for through lenders such as Sallie Mae or directly through a bank.

**Using Financial Aid for Fee Payment**

**Exchange Programs (Semester or Academic Year)**

Students participating in Exchange programs will be pay their normal ASU tuition. Exchange participants who are financial aid recipients should follow the regular Federal Financial Aid procedures outlined on the FASS website. Exchange students can also obtain a Cost Sheet from the Study Abroad Office website to submit to FASS, who can determine whether or not students are eligible for increased aid. 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.

**Global Intensive Experience and Partnership Programs (Semester or Academic Year)**

Visit [http://students.asu.edu/financialaid](http://students.asu.edu/financialaid) for the most updated and accurate information. Students participating in Global Intensive Experience Programs or semester or academic year Partnership programs will be responsible for paying a program fee posted to your ASU student account. Since this amount is charged to your ASU student account, your aid package will be applied to any outstanding charges on your account when your aid is disbursed. Please note that aid is always applied to the charge with the earliest due date. If you have an outstanding balance from a previous term, disbursed aid will automatically be applied to those charges first.

**Special Notes:**

1. Some forms of financial aid are not eligible to be applied to the final program fee (Partnership and Faculty-Directed programs) balance due. 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 FASS for other payment arrangements.

3. Any student who submits a cost sheet to FASS to have their Cost of Attendance adjusted must notify FASS if they withdraw and do not participate in their selected study abroad program. FASS must readjust each student’s Cost of Attendance and, if necessary, reduce awards to clear any over-awards. Students will be responsible for overpayment charges.

4. Participating in a semester-length study abroad program requires you to maintain a minimum ASU full-time course load of 12 credits (undergraduate students) or 9 credits (graduate students), taking no more than the maximum load of 18 credits. You are required to maintain a particular course load to maintain your financial aid eligibility as well.
**Summer Financial Aid**

Visit [http://students.asu.edu/financialaid/summer](http://students.asu.edu/financialaid/summer) for the most updated and accurate information.

**General Eligibility for Summer Financial Aid**

Students are considered eligible for summer financial aid by:

- Enrolling in ASU courses during the summer term (minimum of 6 credits for undergraduates and 5 credits for graduates)
- Having a valid FAFSA 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 [https://students.asu.edu/policies/aid-criteria](https://students.asu.edu/policies/aid-criteria)

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 credit enrollment.

Summer disbursement begins in mid-May for students enrolled in the first session and/or eight-week summer session. Generally, your financial aid will disburse 7-10 days before your program start date. Please note that this means you might have to pay some of your up-front costs out-of-pocket (i.e. airfare, registration fees, etc.) before your financial aid disburses. Make sure you have a plan in place for how to fund those costs that might arise before your aid disburses.

**Summer Funding Sources***

- Federal Pell Grant
- Federal ACG/SMART Grants
- [Federal Direct Stafford Loans](https://students.asu.edu/financialaid/summer)
- [Federal PLUS Loans](https://students.asu.edu/financialaid/summer)
- Federal Grad PLUS Loans
- Federal Work-Study
- Alternative Student Loans

*Summer funding is limited to remaining eligibility from the preceding academic year. Since financial aid is disbursed on a yearly cycle (fall, spring, and then summer), only whatever is remaining in your financial aid package is available to you. If you know you are going to study abroad during the summer, plan ahead and be strategic about how you use your aid in the fall and spring. If you can save some of your financial aid, you will be able to apply it towards your summer study abroad program.

**More Information**

Students should visit Financial Aid and Scholarship Services to learn more about qualifying for summer financial aid. Be sure to ask specifically to talk to a Financial Aid Counselor.

**Location:** Student Service building, 2nd Floor  
**Hours:** Monday-Friday 8am to 5pm, no appointment necessary  
**General inquiries:** 480-965-3355  
**Website:** [http://students.asu.edu/financialaid/summer](http://students.asu.edu/financialaid/summer)
Study Abroad Office Travel Grants

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

Grants are primarily based on financial need and secondarily on academic performance. Students may not 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 a grant application online before the deadline corresponding to your program term:

- **Spring Semester and Calendar Year**  
  - September 1
- **Global Intensive Experiences**  
  - October 15
- **Summer, Fall Semester, and Academic Year**  
  - February 1

If you withdraw from a program for any reason (voluntary or involuntary), your awarded travel grant 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.

**Study Abroad Office Travel Grant Eligibility Requirements**

- Have an active application to an ASU-sponsored study abroad program by the Travel Grant deadline
- Have a minimum cumulative ASU GPA of 2.5 at the time of application
- Be a degree-seeking ASU student (undergraduate or graduate) at the time of application
- Have a current FAFSA on file with ASU Financial Aid and Scholarship Services at the time of application, and be eligible to receive ASU financial aid
- Have the equivalent of one full-time semester of completed and posted ASU credit hours at the time of application
- Be in good standing with the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities
- Commit to and complete a follow-on project to help the SAO share study abroad opportunities with other ASU students
ASU Scholarships

Many academic departments and colleges at ASU offer scholarships for study abroad. 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 must be submitted to Scholarships Office if participating in fall or academic year program
- **December 1**  Scholarship Deferment Request form must be submitted to Scholarships Office if participating in a spring or calendar year program

As you are applying to a study abroad program, you should 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 employee tuition waivers) may be utilized when participating on an Exchange program during the semester or academic year. ASU scholarships do not apply in the summer term, but Faculty/Staff tuition waivers can be used.

Global Intensive Experience and Partnership Program Participants
You may apply most ASU-administered scholarships (including ASU departmental scholarships) and money from outside donors (disbursed through ASU FASS) towards your study abroad program fee for semester and academic year programs. During the summer, most ASU-administered scholarships and money from outside donors (disbursed through ASU FASS) can NOT be used towards your study abroad program fee. Faculty/Staff tuition waivers may not be used during terms of participation on any partnership programs.

Faculty-Directed Program Participants
Most ASU-administered scholarships (including ASU departmental scholarships) and money from outside donors (disbursed through ASU FASS) can NOT be used towards your study abroad program fee. Faculty/Staff tuition waivers may not be used during terms of participation on any faculty-directed programs.

Additional Scholarships

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