



## **Education Abroad Network Scholarships**

The Education Abroad Network is deeply committed to giving students an once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience study abroad in a new and exciting culture. We recognize that in many instances, additional funding is necessary to make the study abroad experience both affordable and realistic. These supplemental scholarships were devised as a humble attempt to help students with the financial commitments required for an international education experience.

The Education Abroad Network offers four types of scholarships: **Merit-Based Scholarships**, **Need-Based Scholarships**, **Gilman Bonus Scholarships**, and **Sequel Scholarships**. The scholarship awards range between \$500 - \$1,500. Although the Education Abroad Network has awarded scholarships to a high percentage of all those that have applied, completing the application is not a guarantee for a scholarship award.

The awards for 2009 and 2010 will be released on the following dates:

- Fall 2009 Scholarships – announced in mid May 2009 (with the exception of the Gilman Bonus which is announced in late June 2009 due to awards schedule of the actual Gilman Scholarships)
- Spring 2010 Scholarships – announced in mid-December 2009 (with the exception of the Gilman Bonus which is announced in January 2010 due to award schedule of actual Gilman Scholarships)

## **Application Deadlines**

### **Semester Programs - Australia/New Zealand/Asia:**

Semester 1 (Feb-June): November 22

Semester 2 (July-Nov): April 22

### **Bond University Program:**

Bond University (January Term): October 22

Bond University (May Term): February 22

Bond University (Sept Term): June 22

## **Requirements & Criteria**

### **Merit-Based Scholarship**

#### **Description:**

- \$500 - 1,500 scholarships will be granted based on the merit of the applicant.
- The purpose of this scholarship is to award those who have not only achieved academic excellence but have served as leaders and role models within their community.

#### **Requirements:**

- Must be accepted into the Education Abroad Network semester program. Students may not apply for the scholarship before they are formally accepted into the Education Abroad Network program.
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 GPA or higher.
- Must be enrolled as an undergraduate student.
- Disbursement can only be applied towards total program fees. Cash disbursements will not be made under any circumstances.
- Scholarship applications received after the deadline will not be considered.
- Although a student may qualify for the merit and need-based scholarships, they may not apply for both.



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### Selection Criteria:

- Will be based on the application and essay and applications will be judged by a panel of Education Abroad Network staff members.
  - To be considered for the Merit-based scholarship you must meet the above requirements.
  - Assessment will be based on the merit of the individual applicants judged by the following: excellence in academics, active participation in extra-curricular activities, achievement in leadership skills, awareness of the value of international education, and a one-page essay addressing “Why international education is valuable to me and how will I benefit from my international experience.”
  - No exceptions regarding the above requirements will be made.
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### Need-Based Scholarship:

#### Description:

- \$500 - 1,500 scholarships will be awarded granted based on the financial need of the applicant.
- The purpose of this scholarship is to award those who have achieved academic excellence, demonstrated community involvement and require extra financial assistance.

#### Requirements:

- Must be accepted into the Education Abroad Network semester program. Students may not apply for the scholarship before they are formally accepted into the Education Abroad Network program.
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 GPA or higher.
- Must be enrolled as an undergraduate student
- Applicants must currently receive financial aid from a US college or university or other independent source (parental loans, personal loan, etc.).
- Applicants must show proof of financial need by completing the Study Australia Financial Aid Form. Form to be completed by a financial aid officer at your home university or college.
- Disbursement can only be applied towards total program fees. Cash disbursements will not be made under any circumstances.
- Scholarship applications received after the deadline will not be considered.
- Although a student may qualify for the need and merit-based scholarship, they may not apply for both.

### Selection Criteria:

- Will be based on the application and essay and judged by a panel of Education Abroad Network staff members.
  - To be considered for the Need-based scholarship you must meet the above requirements.
  - Assessment will be based on the level of financial need of the individual applicants by assessing the following: Study Australia Financial Aid Form, current financial need through parental or personal loans, and a one-page essay addressing the question “Why international education and community involvement are important aspects of my life?”
  - No exceptions regarding the above requirements will be made.
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## Gilman Bonus Scholarship:

### Description:

- Any student who has received the Benjamin A. Gilman Scholarship will have the opportunity to receive a \$500 Gilman Bonus Scholarship from Study Australia.

### Requirements:

- Must be a recipient of the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship. For more information on the Gilman scholarship visit <http://www.iie.org/gilman/>.
- Must be accepted into the Education Abroad Network semester program. Students may not apply for the scholarship before they are formally accepted into the Education Abroad Network program.
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Must be enrolled as an undergraduate student.
- Disbursement can only be applied towards total program fees. Cash disbursements will not be made under any circumstances.
- Scholarship applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

### Selection Criteria:

- Will be based on the submission of the application and essay and judged by a panel of Education Abroad Network staff members.
- To be considered for the Study Australia Bonus Scholarship, students must have received the Benjamin A. Gilman Scholarship. All additional requirements above must be met.
- Assessment will be based on proof of Benjamin A. Gilman award as well as a one-page essay addressing "How I foresee study abroad impacting my life."
- No exceptions regarding the above requirements will be made.

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## Sequel Scholarship:

### Description:

- \$500 scholarships will be awarded to a Study Australia participant who has formerly participated in the Education Abroad Network full semester study abroad program.
- The purpose of this scholarship is to recognize those students who have once again made the commitment to study abroad. We realize that extra financial assistance is necessary to participate in multiple study abroad programs within a college career.

### Requirements:

- Must be accepted into the Education Abroad Network program, including semester, summer, winter, or internship programs. Students may not apply for the scholarship before they are formally accepted into the Education Abroad Network program.
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Must be enrolled as an undergraduate student



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- Disbursement can only be applied towards total program fees. Cash disbursements will not be made under any circumstances
- Scholarship applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

### **Selection Criteria:**

- Will be based on the submission of the application and essay and judged by a panel of Education Abroad Network staff members.
- To be considered for the Study Australia Sequel Scholarship you must meet the above requirements.
- Assessment will be based on a one-page essay addressing the following topic: "How did I grow from my first study abroad experience and what is the value of studying abroad again?"
- No exceptions regarding the above requirement will be made.





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## Study Abroad Advisor Approval (to be completed by Study Abroad or Academic Advisor)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Institution \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

I confirm that the student listed above is in good academic standing and has had no disciplinary action brought against him/her. In addition, I would recommend this student as a suitable candidate for the scholarship indicated.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Advisor Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

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## Supplemental Scholarship Section (to be completed by student)

Please answer the following questions. Use separate sheet of paper if necessary.

Indicate any source(s) of financial aid that you are currently receiving or have received in the past. Include any scholarships/aid not directly awarded by your home institution.

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Indicate the financial aid source(s) you intend to use to financially support your study abroad experience (savings, loans, parents, etc).

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Indicate any current employment that will help support your study abroad experience.

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Indicate any current extra-curricular activities, volunteer work, or community activities that you are involved in.

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## Recommendation

Please submit 1 letter of recommendation from a source that is familiar with your academic background (faculty members, study abroad advisors, guidance counselors, or former teachers). The letter of recommendation should address the following:

- 1.) Reasons why you are a good candidate to participate in the Education Abroad Network study abroad program
- 2.) Reasons why you are a good candidate for the particular scholarship
- 3.) Reasons that your skills and motivation are above and beyond other candidates

This recommendation should be returned in a sealed envelope with your complete scholarship application packet.

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## Application Deadlines

Applications are due to the Education Abroad Network (or need to be post-marked) by the dates listed below.

Semester 1 (Feb-June): November 22  
Semester 2 (July-Nov): April 22

Bond (Jan Term): October 22  
Bond (May Term): February 22

Bond (Sept Term): June 22



## 2009-2010 Education Abroad Network Scholarship Checklist

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Please complete the scholarship checklist below and submit with your complete Scholarship application packet.

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- All materials must be post-marked by the application deadline listed on the Scholarship Application and in the Scholarship Guide.
  - Please list the date on which your scholarship will be post-marked: \_\_\_\_\_
- Candidates applying to any of the Education Abroad Network scholarships (regardless of type), must submit the following items together in **one complete packet**. Please check off the items that you have included in your scholarship application packet:
  - 2-page Education Abroad Network Scholarship Application
  - One-page minimum typed essay (see application Scholarship Application for essay topics)
  - One copy of your official transcripts
  - Recommendation
  - Scholarship Checklist
- Candidates applying for the Need-Based Scholarship or the Gilman Scholarship must submit the Financial Aid Form. Please check this item below if this form will be included in your scholarship application packet:
  - Financial Aid Form
- Candidates applying for the Gilman Scholarship must submit proof of the Gilman Scholarship Award. Please check this item below if this form will be included in your scholarship application packet:
  - Proof of Gilman Scholarship
- Transcripts must be submitted with your complete scholarship application packet. Please Note: The initial transcripts that you previously submitted for your study abroad application **CANNOT** be used for your scholarship application. You must request an additional copy for the purpose of the scholarship.
- Your Recommendation must be submitted with your complete scholarship application. Please Note: Any recommendations that may have been previously submitted to support your study abroad application **CANNOT** be used for your scholarship application. The recommendation for the scholarship must be submitted in a sealed envelope by a source that is familiar with your academic background (faculty member, study abroad advisor, guidance counselor, etc.).
  - Name of person completing your recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_



### Student Information

First Name _____	Last Name _____
Student ID Number: _____ When are you studying abroad? _____	

### Financial Aid Declaration – to be completed by Financial Aid Administrator

The student named above is applying for financial support toward the cost of a study abroad program through the Education Abroad Network. Your assistance is requested with this application. Please use estimated data and mark the estimated box if actual amounts are not yet available. Actual Education Abroad Network program costs for the period for study can be obtained by contacting us at (800) 585-9658 or emailing us at [scholarships@study-australia.com](mailto:scholarships@study-australia.com).

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Administrator's Signature Date

### Financial Aid Information

Home Institution's Current Annual Cost of Attendance for a Resident Student \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Home Institution's Cost of Attendance for the Term Indicated (see above) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Expected Family Contribution (from FAFSA) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Did the student receive financial aid during the past year? (Please Circle) Yes No

Will the student receive financial aid through the home institution for the Education Abroad Network program? (Please Circle) Yes No

### Financial Aid Expected for the Term Indicated Above\*

	Estimated Amount	Actual Award Amount	Transfer for Study Abroad?
<b>Grants/ Scholarships</b>			
Federal Pell Grant			Yes or No
Federal SEOG Grant			Yes or No
State Grant			Yes or No
College Merit Awards			Yes or No
College Need-Based Grants			Yes or No
University/ Institutional Scholarships			Yes or No
Other:			Yes or No
Other:			Yes or No
<b>(A) Total Grants/Scholarships</b>	\$ _____		
<b>Loans:</b>			
Federal Subsidized Stafford Loan			Yes or No
Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Loan			Yes or No
Federal Perkins Loan			Yes or No
Institutional Student Loan			Yes or No
Federal PLUS Loan			Yes or No
Other:			Yes or No
Other:			Yes or No
<b>(B) Total Loans:</b>	\$ _____		
<b>Total Aid (A + B)</b>	\$ _____		