UNDERGRADUATE STUDY ABROAD AWARDS APPLICATION

Spring 2018 Competition for Summer 2018, Fall 2018 and Academic Year 2018-19

The purpose of these awards is to help UNH undergraduate students cover the additional costs that come with study abroad. Approximately 10 awards will be distributed each semester in the amounts of $500-$5000. The majority of grant awards are over $1000. Smaller grants may be awarded to students going abroad for less than one month.

There are a variety of general scholarships but a few have specific eligibility requirements:

- The Foley-Jackson provides $5,000 in financial assistance to sophomores who currently receive grant-eligible financial aid as defined by the UNH Office of Financial Aid (determined by FAFSA) and who will be studying abroad for a semester or academic year.
- The Yale Maria Fund supports students studying abroad in the Middle East.

Eligibility:

- Be a full-time, matriculated undergraduate or associate degree candidate at UNH.
- Have at least 32 semester hours of earned credit.
- Have declared a major.
- Meet the financial aid office’s definition of financial need as determined by FAFSA and the Estimated Family Contribution.
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above.
- Must have applied to a UNH Managed, Approved or Exchange study abroad program taking place in summer or fall 2018 or academic year 2018-19.
- Meet any grant-specific requirements.

Deadlines:

- Application deadline is Friday March 2 at noon.
- Notification of awards will take place by the end of April.

Requirements:

- Completed applications should be turned in to the Global Education Center, G25 Nesmith.
- No late or incomplete applications will be accepted.
- Recipients who do not participate on their declared study abroad program will forfeit their award.
- Recipients must commit to each of the following; parameters will be set in the acceptance letter:
  - Chronicle your international experience; some examples may include: blogging or other social media posts/takeovers, short video, UNH presentation.
  - End of program survey.

Award Guidelines:

Awards will be granted based on a variety of factors that include: financial need, academic performance, personal statement that articulates each of the three components explained in the following application checklist, letter of recommendation, and your suggestions for sharing your international experience upon return. Additional elements that may be considered are diversity, discipline, duration and location.

If you feel that any of the above factors need additional explanation (e.g., academic performance, financial need) feel free to explain your situation in your personal statement.
Application checklist:

- The application form.
- One letter of recommendation from a faculty member.
- An unofficial UNH transcript.
- One personal statement of 1-2 pages. Your statement should address the following:
  - Give a detailed rationale for how study abroad fulfills your professional, personal and/or career goals. Discuss what study abroad means to you and why it is important that you have an international experience.
  - Articulate how you will make a positive impression on members of your host country. What does it mean to you to be an ambassador of UNH and the U.S.?
  - Explain to what extent this scholarship will enable you financially to go abroad.
GEC Undergraduate Study Abroad Awards Application Form

Name______________________________________________Student ID#________________________

Campus/Local Address __________________________________________________________________

Cell Phone ______________________ E-mail ________________________________________________

Home address _________________________________________________________________________

Home phone __________________________________________________________________________

Graduation Year __________ Major ___________________________College_______________________

Academic Advisor ______________________________________________________________________

Name, department affiliation, and email address of faculty member providing your recommendation
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List your campus activities, memberships and affiliations
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Study Abroad Information

Term Abroad:  □ Summer 2018  □ Fall 2018  □ Academic year 2018-2019

If you are going on a program that is less than one month duration, list program dates____________

Program name________________________________________________________________________

Program provider/host_________________________________________________________________

Program city & country_________________________________________________________________

Have you studied or traveled abroad before?  □ Yes  □ No

If you checked Yes above, please briefly describe your international experience in the space below, including dates of travel
List a few ideas of how you would chronicle your international experience, as per the award requirement, or suggest other ways to integrate your experience abroad into the UNH community and give back upon your return.
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Authorization:

I hereby authorize the UNH Study Abroad Scholarship Committee to have access to and authority to review my academic and financial aid records as a condition of applying for this scholarship. I acknowledge that if I am ineligible to study abroad under the study away eligibility guidelines stipulated by the Faculty Senate, then I will automatically be disqualified for any study abroad scholarship monies.

Signature _____________________________________________ Date ___________________________