

## UNH GLOBAL: UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION ABROAD AWARDS APPLICATION

There are two competitions for these awards, the Fall 2021 competition is for students going abroad in January term 2022, Spring break 2022 and Spring 2022. The Spring 2022 competition is for students going abroad in Summer 2022, Fall 2022 and academic year 2022-2023.

The purpose of these awards is to help UNH undergraduate students cover the additional costs that come with study abroad and an international experience (Internship, Volunteer, Research Abroad). Approximately 10 awards will be distributed each semester in the amounts of \$500-\$5000. Most awards are over \$1000.

All students who meet the following Eligibility Requirements should apply. There are a variety of awards available.

### Eligibility Requirements:

- Confirmed UNH Study Away Eligibility.
- Meet the financial aid office's definition of financial need as determined by FAFSA and the Estimated Family Contribution.
- Applied to a UNH Managed, Approved, Exchange study abroad program or International Experience (Internship, Volunteer Research Abroad).

A few funds have grant-specific eligibility requirements. These are:

- *Diversity Abroad* — supports under-represented students to study/intern/research abroad. Preference will be given to a student doing an education abroad experience for the first time.
- *Foley Jackson* — provides \$5000 in financial assistance to students at the sophomore level and above who fit the eligibility requirements and will be studying abroad for a semester or academic year.
- *Yale Maria* — supports students studying abroad in the Middle East.

### Deadlines:

Fall 2021 competition application deadline is Friday September 24 at noon. Notification of awards will take place by the end of November.

Spring 2022 competition deadline is Friday March 4 at noon. Notification of awards will take place at the end of April.

### Requirements:

- Completed applications should be turned in to the Global Education Center, 310 Conant Hall or emailed directly to Catherine.DAuteuil@unh.edu
- If hand delivering your application, it should be printed on one-sided paper and not stapled. Instead, use a paper clip to hold the application together.
- No late or incomplete applications will be accepted.
- Recipients who do not participate on their declared education abroad program will forfeit their award.
- Recipients must commit to each of the following; parameters will be set in the acceptance letter:
  - Chronicle your education abroad experience; some examples may include: blogging or other social media posts/takeovers, short video, UNH presentation.
  - Apply for the UNH Global Ambassador Program.

**Award Guidelines:**

Awards will be granted based on a variety of factors that include: financial need, personal statement that articulates each of the components stated in the Application Checklist, letter of recommendation, and your suggestions for sharing your education abroad experience upon return. Depending on terms set by the award fund and committee, these additional elements may be considered: academic performance, diversity, major and destination.

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:**

- Application form.
- One letter of recommendation from a UNH faculty member, academic advisor, educational program coordinator/director, or student activities coordinator/director.
- An unofficial UNH transcript.
- One personal statement of 1-2 pages. Your statement should address the following:
  - Give a detailed rationale for how education abroad fulfills your professional, personal and/or career goals. Discuss what education abroad means to you and why it is important that you have a study abroad or 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 award will enable you financially to go abroad.

**UNH Global Undergraduate Education 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/staff member providing your recommendation

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List your campus activities, memberships and affiliations

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**Study Abroad Information**

Term Abroad:  January term 2022  Spring break 2022  Spring semester 2022

Summer 2022  Fall 2022  Academic year 2022-2023

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 been abroad before?  Yes  No

If you checked Yes above, please briefly describe where, when and what you did below.

**Diversity Information (Please check all that apply)**

Under-represented identity in education abroad

- Ethnicity    Race    First generation    Economic background    Age    Abilities    LGBTQ  
 Veteran status    Gender-Male    Student Athlete

Under-represented disciplines

- Science    Technology    Engineering    Mathematics/Statistics

List a few ideas of how you would chronicle your education abroad experience, as per the award requirement, or suggest other ways to integrate your experience into the UNH community and give back upon your return.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Authorization:**

I hereby authorize the UNH Education Abroad Award Committee to have access to and authority to review my academic and financial aid records as a condition of applying for this award. I acknowledge that if I am ineligible to study abroad or do an international experience under the study away eligibility guidelines stipulated by the Academic Standards and Advising Committee, then I will automatically be disqualified for any education abroad scholarship monies.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_