

EDUCATION ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

The FAU Education Abroad Scholarship was created to provide financial assistance to students traveling abroad for academic credit. Scholarship award amounts will range from \$250-\$1000 dollars.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for the FAU Education Abroad scholarship, students must meet the following criteria:

- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher
- Be an FAU degree-seeking student
- Have submitted Part 1 of the FAU online study abroad application through SM Apply.
- Study Abroad must be through an FAU Exchange, Faculty-led, approved Direct Enrollment partner, or Affiliate third party provider program.
- Be abroad for at least one (1) week during the summer or at least eight (8) weeks during the semester.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Your Education Abroad Scholarship application must include the following (please do not staple documents together):

- Completed Education Abroad Scholarship application form.
- A one page, single-spaced (12 pt. font) typed personal statement (with your name and study abroad program listed in the top right corner) detailing how study abroad on the selected program supports your academic, professional, and personal goals.

SUBMISSION

All material must be submitted electronically through email to the below email address using subject heading: **FAU Education Abroad Scholarship**

Submit to goabroad@fau.edu

DATES & DEADLINES

Completed application packets are due by the following dates and deadlines:

- **Spring 2024 Programs** - 11:59 pm, Sunday, November 5th, 2023
- **Summer 2024** – 11:59 pm, Sunday, March 3rd, 2024
- **Fall 2024** – 11:59 pm, Sunday, June 2nd, 2024

SELECTION & NOTIFICATION

Scholarship applications are reviewed by a committee of FAU faculty, administrators and Deans. The committee will evaluate the applications based on the following:

1. Strength of the student's explanation of how studying abroad will support their academic, professional and personal goals
2. Evidence of the fit between the study abroad program selected and the student's stated goals

3. Strength of the student's communication and organizational skills as evidenced in the order and clarity of the written statement.

Scholarship award notifications will be sent electronically, via your FAU email, generally 6-8 weeks after the application deadline. Within two weeks of the scholarship award offer, students must submit provided acceptance materials to secure their award.

Students who are not selected for an award are welcomed and encouraged to reapply for full consideration in the future. **Students may only receive the Education Abroad Scholarship one time.**

SERVICE REQUIREMENT

All award recipients are required to fulfill 5 service hours to Education Abroad within the year following their study abroad program. The Education Abroad office will connect with recipients before and/or upon return of their program to coordinate service requirements. This may include but is not limited to promote study abroad programs on campus, market programs in the Breezeway, conduct classroom visits, promote your study abroad experience through blogging/social media that can be shared with Education Abroad for marketing throughout your study abroad experience. Each student should indicate on their application as to their preference to fulfill the 5-hour service requirement. A student's preference is not guaranteed but will be taken into consideration.

