FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OFF-CAMPUS STUDY

A number of CC-approved semester and year-long off-campus study programs are offering scholarships specifically designed to assist first-generation college students (meaning students who are going to be the first in their family to graduate from a four-year college). Below is a sampling, and more are being added all the time! Remember that all of your existing CC financial aid will travel with you and credits can often be used to meet many CC requirements for graduation. Talk with International Programs at CC & your CC Financial Aid Advisor (Spencer Center) to learn more about how studying off-campus can be possible for you!

DIVERSITYABROAD.COM SCHOLARSHIP

<u>DiversityAbroad.com</u> offers twenty \$1,000 study abroad scholarships each year to non-traditional study abroad students. Economically disadvantaged students, African-American, Asian-American, Hispanic/Latino and Native American students are strongly encouraged to apply, as well as first-from-family college students. Scholarships are only available for students studying on CC-approved programs offered by a Diversity Abroad member organization.

IFSA-BUTLER FIRST GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENT PROGRAM

www.ifsa-butler.org

(CC-approved programs in Argentina, Australia, Chile, England, Ireland, New Zealand, and Scotland)

First generation college students have some of the lowest study abroad participation rates among U.S. college students, and IFSA-Butler wants to change that. IFSA-Butler has pioneered a generous, achievement-based scholarship program offering first generation college students *significant financial, academic and preprofessional support* for study abroad on a semester or year IFSA-Butler program (see the CC approved list for more information about where you can study with IFSA-Butler). Reimbursements and expenses covered through this scholarship include:

- -IFSA-Butler group flight or suggested flight (approximately \$1,500 value)
- -Student visa fee reimbursement, where applicable (\$100-\$500 value, depending on country)
- -Passport fee reimbursement (approximately \$150 value)
- -Up to \$500 housing scholarship (depending on flight and visa costs)
- -Specialized predeparture information
- -First Generation Parent Publication
- -Resume Building/Reentry Workshop

HECUA SCHOLARSHIP FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

www.hecua.org

(Community-based Learning with internships - Domestic programs in Minneapolis, international semesters in Ecuador, New Zealand, Northern Ireland, and Norway)

A long-standing award for students participating in any HECUA semester program, both domestically and internationally, exploring issues of community engagement and social justice through a variety of lenses. All HECUA programs also include an internship. This scholarship is for first-generation college students, students from low-income families, or students of color. HECUA distributes a number of these \$1,500 scholarships to students currently enrolled at a HECUA member institution, like CC.

IES - MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIP FOR UNDER-REPRESENTED STUDENTS

www.iesabroad.org (CC-approved programs in Granada, Salamanca, and the Galapagos Islands)

Open to students who have been traditionally under-represented on study abroad programs. This group includes, but is not limited to, students identifying by a certain race, sex, color, religion, creed, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, age, marital status, national origin or ancestry, ethnic origin or veteran status. It would also include first generation college students, students from low income families, and students with a history of overcoming adversity. Awards range up to \$3,000.

SCHOOL FOR FIELD STUDIES DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP

www.fieldstudies.org

(CC-approved program in Tanzania – Wildlife Management Studies)

In addition to match Pell Grants for any eligible students, School for Field Studies also awards a Diversity Scholarship. This need-based scholarship is intended to broaden the participation of underrepresented groups of students in study abroad. For SFS, underrepresented groups include, but are not limited to, students who identify with a certain race, sex, color, religion, creed, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, age, marital status, national origin or ancestry, ethnic origin, or veteran status. Underrepresented groups also include first generation college students and students from low income families.

DIS DENMARK DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP

www.disabroad.org

DIS seeks to promote a diverse student body by providing need-based financial support to academically excellent students from populations traditionally underrepresented in study abroad. Such students may have diverse ethnic, racial, cultural, economic, sexual orientation and educational backgrounds and experiences. First generation college students (meaning neither parent has a college degree from any country) are also encouraged to apply. Funding is available up to \$5,000 per semester, \$250-1,000 per summer depending on course/program selection.

CIEE GAIN: GLOBAL ACCESS INITIATIVE GRANT

www.ciee.org/study-abroad

(CC-approved programs in Bonaire, Brazil, Dominican Republic, Ghana, Italy, Jordan, Korea, Russia, Senegal, and South Africa)

CIEE created the Global Access Initiative (GAIN) to help students overcome the major barriers to studying abroad, and this scholarship aids in the diversification of study abroad by providing overseas opportunities for students who are economically challenged. Students must demonstrate financial need and/or otherwise defining barriers to overcome in order to be able to study abroad. Awards are distributed in the form of an airline ticket up to \$1500.

AUGSBURG COLLEGE ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP

http://www.augsburg.edu/global/central-america

(CC-approved semester program - Social Change in Central America: Exploring Peace, Justice, and Community Engagement, a multi-country program in Guatemala, Costa Rica, and Nicaragua)

The Center for Global Education at Augsburg College strives to create for its students an intentionally diverse community of co-learners in which a variety of cultures and backgrounds is represented. Students, faculty, and staff help each other form responses to issues of oppression such as racism, sexism, homophobia, economic inequality, xenophobia, and classism in an environment where diversity expands the range of understanding. The Diversity Scholarship is for students who have not traditionally been represented in study abroad, specifically ethnic minority, and LGBT students. Awards cover up to \$6,000 off the cost of a semester program abroad. In addition, the Need-Based Scholarship is available for students with demonstrated financial need. Awards cover up to \$2,000 of the cost of a semester program abroad.

SEA SEMESTER DIVERSIFICATION AWARD

www.sea.edu

(CC-approved sailing semester voyages on a tall ship, studying Colonization and Conservation in the Caribbean, Marine Biodiversity and Conservation, Ocean Exploration, Oceans & Climate, and Sustainability in Polynesian Island Cultures & Ecosystems)

The SEA Semester program awards a Diversification grant ranging from \$500-\$5,000 for students whose participation in SEA Semester will add diversity to the SEA Community. Qualified students can also apply for generous merit-based awards like the Presidential Scholarship of \$7500 and the Dean's Award of up to \$5,000. SEA awards approximately \$1,000,000 per year in both need-based and merit scholarships to students participating in SEA Semester. Over 50% of our students receive some sort of financial assistance; out of those, 95% receive aid directly from SEA.

Many other scholarships for off-campus study are listed on the CC International Programs website: http://www.coloradocollege.edu/offices/international/off-campus-study/scholarships.dot