

FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS

Scholarships for Study Away

A number of CC-approved semester and year-long off-campus study programs offer scholarships specifically designed to assist first-generation college students (first in their family to graduate from a four-year college). Below are some of our favorites.

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 the Center for Global Education & Field Study at CC & your CC Financial Aid Advisor (Spencer Center) to learn more about how studying abroad can be possible for you.

FOR USE ON ANY PROGRAM

Fund for Education Abroad

<https://fundforeducationabroad.org/scholarships/>

The mission of the Fund for Education Abroad (FEA) is to provide scholarships and ongoing support to students who are underrepresented among the U.S. study abroad population. FEA makes life-changing, international experiences accessible to all by supporting students of color, community college, and first-generation college students before, during, and after they participate in education abroad programs. Open to U.S. citizens and permanent residents for credit-bearing study abroad over 4 weeks in length.

PROGRAM PROVIDER-SPECIFIC AWARDS

IFSA's First-Generation Scholarship

<https://ifsa-butler.org/scholarships-grants-financial-aid/>

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

With a strengths-focused approach for what each student brings to study abroad, IFSA 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 program. Reimbursements and expenses covered (up to **\$2500**) through this scholarship to help cover the cost of airfare, visas and passports, and housing.

School for Field Studies First Generation Scholarship

<https://fieldstudies.org/enrollment/financial-aid/>

School for Field Studies was founded with the belief that stewardship of our planet is the responsibility of people around the world and that addressing complex global issues requires the active inclusion of stakeholders with varying perspectives and identities. In addition to matching Pell Grants for any eligible students, SFS also awards First Generation Students up to \$3,000 per semester and \$2,000 per summer session. SFS defines First Generation Students as students whose guardian(s) did not obtain a bachelor's degree or higher. Recipients must demonstrate financial need.

CIEE Go Global Grant & GAIN Travel Grant

<https://www.ciee.org/go-abroad/college-study-abroad/scholarships/semester-scholarships>

(CC-approved programs in Puerto Rico, Ghana, Jordan, South Korea, Portugal, and South Africa)

CIEE created the Global Access Initiative (GAIN) to help students overcome the major barriers to studying abroad, and these scholarships aid in the diversification of study abroad by providing overseas opportunities for scholarships based on financial need and merit. If you are Pell-Grant-eligible, the Gilman Go Global Grant will award you up to \$2,500 *just for applying* for the federal Gilman award, even if you are not selected as a Gilman Scholar! And any student whose annual EFC for your education is under \$10,000 qualifies for the CIEE GAIN Travel Grant for up to \$1500 for your flight.

DIS Copenhagen or Stockholm: Diversity Scholarship

<https://disabroad.org/scholarships/>

DIS offers popular programs in Denmark and Sweden, and seeks to promote a diverse student body by providing need-based and merit-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 are also encouraged to apply.

IES – Need-Based Scholarships for Under-Represented Students in Study Abroad

<https://www.iesabroad.org/scholarships-aid>

(CC-approved programs in Argentina, Austria, Ecuador/Galapagos, England, Germany, Ireland, Morocco, and Spain)

IES has a unique study abroad funding model where students are encouraged to complete their 10-minute application on the IES website, and within 5 business days IES will let you know exactly how much money you will get. Because IES knows that financial considerations are part of the decision to study abroad, you can even submit the scholarships and aid application before you've applied for your program. Currently, scholarship and aid priority is given to study abroad students in the United States who demonstrate high financial need and are Pell Grant recipients.

CET Identity Abroad Scholarship

<https://cetacademicprograms.com/college-study-abroad/financial-services/scholarships/>

(CC-approved semesters in Brazil, China, and the Czech Republic)

CET is committed to helping students of all identities access international experiences—especially those historically underrepresented in study abroad, including first-generation college students. To support this mission, the Identity Abroad scholarship is awarded to students with demonstrated experience engaging with their communities and who can thoughtfully articulate how study abroad might challenge, reinforce, and shift how they approach their identity(ies). Two awards are given each term: \$3,000 for fall/spring programs and \$2,500 for summer programs. Priority given to students who demonstrate financial need.

If you receive a Pell Grant, please look into applying for the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship:

<http://GilmanScholarship.org>

Many other scholarships for study abroad are listed on the Center for Global Education & Field Study website:

<https://www.coloradocollege.edu/offices/globalandfieldstudy/global-education/scholarships.html>

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