



Study Abroad Financial Aid Information Packet:

A Guide for Study Abroad Participants

The purpose of this packet is to provide guidance on determining the cost of study abroad and funding sources. This guide is meant to answer most of your basic questions regarding using your financial aid to help you cover the costs of a study abroad program. Please read this entire document before contacting your Financial Aid Counselor. Many students have concerns about the cost of studying abroad. While numerous factors contribute to the overall cost of a study abroad program, Davenport University (DU) is committed to making study abroad an option for all students. One of the ways that DU makes this possible is by allowing DU students to apply their financial aid to their study abroad program.

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Basic Financial Aid Information

1. Degree-seeking students who are eligible for financial aid can use their aid to help pay for the study abroad program fee and tuition.
2. Financial Aid consists of scholarships, grants and/or loans. Students must be enrolled at least half time to be eligible for scholarships and loans. Undergrad 6+ credit hours, Graduate 3+ credit hours
3. In order for students to receive financial aid they must complete a FAFSA. Complete your FAFSA at fafsa.ed.gov each year after October 1st for the upcoming academic year.
4. Keep in mind that many grants and scholarships have deadlines much earlier than the start of winter semester.
5. Upon completing the Study Abroad Budget Sheet, please make an appointment to meet with your Financial Aid Counselor to discuss your financial aid eligibility for your Study Abroad program.
6. Some students who study abroad apply for Federal and/or private loans to help finance the program costs.
7. Students who study abroad should plan to use personal funds towards the cost of their study abroad program.

Scholarships for Studying Abroad

Students should plan to start searching for scholarships 6 months to 1 ½ years prior to studying broad. Below is a list of scholarship opportunities. This is not a complete list: students are encouraged to research and apply to other scholarships on their own. **Davenport Scholarships

- AIFS Scholarships
 - www.aifsabroad.com
- The Betty Van Andel Scholarship
 - www.operagr.org/education-programs/betty-van-andel-scholarship/
- Boren Awards
 - www.borenawards.org
- Davenport University Study Abroad Grant**
 - www.davenport.edu/study-abroad/study-abroad-grant
- Define Yourself Scholarship
 - www.goenounce.com/static/scholarship/?r=ed#.Ub9BjOdQEmU
- Dr. Jacqueline Taylor Endowment**
 - www.davenport.edu/study-abroad/finance-your-experience/endowment-scholarship
- Fulbright U.S. Student Program
 - www.iie.org/fulbright/us
- Gilman Scholarship
 - www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program
- GlobalLinks Scholarship
 - www.globallinksabroad.org/scholarships
- Got Chosen Scholarship
 - gotchosen.com/MonthlyScholarship.aspx
- National Security Education Program (NSEP)
 - www.iie.org/nsep
- Rotary Grants
 - www.rotary.org/en/grants/grants-basics/explore-grants/district-grants
- University Language Service
 - www.universitylanguage.com/scholarships/competition/

Personal Funds

If student wants to raise some funds on their own, there are multiple ways to doing so. Family contribution is always a good way to go, discuss your interest in studying abroad with your family and share your financial concern and information with them. They may be able to provide support and funding in your study abroad program.

Family Contribution: \$ _____

Personal Contribution: \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Interested in doing your own fundraising? Check out the websites below:

- <http://www.fundraising.com/>
- <http://www.juniata.edu/services/osa/100FundraisingIdeas.html>
- <http://www.fundmytravel.com/>
- <http://www.gooverseas.com/go-abroad-blog/40-fundraising-ideas-study-abroad/16996>

STUDY ABROAD BUDGET BREAKDOWN

Determine the Total Estimated Cost of the study abroad program you wish to participate.

Program Name: _____

Program Duration: _____

Estimated Cost of Study Abroad Program:

Program Fee	\$ _____
Tuition	\$ _____
Housing	\$ _____
Meals	\$ _____
Essential Spending Money	\$ _____
Round-trip Airfare	\$ _____
Books/Educational Supplies	\$ _____
Passport	\$ _____
Visa	\$ _____
Immunizations/Vaccinations	\$ _____
Health Insurance	\$ _____
Total Estimated Cost	\$ _____

*Prior to meeting with a Financial Aid Counselor, please fill in this section with the appropriate information.

Review your existing Financial Aid award to determine the Anticipated Total Financial Aid you will receive for your study abroad program.

Contact the Financial Aid Office if you need assistance at 616- 732-1130.

Anticipated Financial Aid:

*Pell Grant	\$ _____
*Other Grants You Currently Receive	\$ _____
*Federal Loans (Half-time Enrollment)	\$ _____
Scholarships You Currently Receive	\$ _____
Alternative/Plus Loans	\$ _____
Other Resources	\$ _____
Anticipated Total Financial Aid	\$ _____

*Students with Financial Aid can plan ahead and use some of their financial aid from fall and/or winter semester to pay for the study abroad program.

*Students with Veteran Benefits, please contact the Financial Aid Office at 616-808-3729

The Budget Breakdown below is a sample.

STUDY ABROAD BUDGET BREAKDOWN

Determine the Total Estimated Cost of the study abroad program you wish to participate.

Program Name: Faculty-led Study Abroad

Program Program Duration: May 15 – June 7, 2015

Estimated Cost of Study Abroad Program:

Program Fee	\$5,400
Tuition	\$3,384 (6 credits)
Housing	\$ N/A (Included)
Meals	\$ N/A (Included)
Essential Spending Money	\$400
Round-trip Airfare	\$ N/A (Included)
Books/Educational Supplies	\$200
Passport	\$135
Visa	\$100
Immunizations/Vaccinations	\$ N/A
Health Insurance	\$ N/A (Included)
Total Estimated Cost	\$9,619

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Review your existing Financial Aid award to determine the Anticipated Total Financial Aid you will receive for your study abroad program.

Contact the Financial Aid Office if you need assistance at 616-732-1130.

Anticipated Financial Aid:

*Pell Grant	\$1,000
*Other Grants You Currently Receive	\$1,500
*Federal Loans (Half-time Enrollment)	\$4,500
Scholarships You Currently Receive	\$ N/A
Alternative/Plus Loans	\$ N/A
Other Resources	\$ N/A
Anticipated Total Financial Aid	\$7,000

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Semester-by-semester Financial Aid Breakdown

Fall Semester		Winter Semester		Spring/Summer Semester	
Pell Grant	\$ _____	Pell Grant	\$ _____	Pell Grant	\$ _____
Federal Loans	\$ _____	Federal Loans	\$ _____	Federal Loans	\$ _____
Scholarships	\$ _____	Scholarships	\$ _____	Scholarships	\$ _____
Other Grants	\$ _____	Other Grants	\$ _____	Other Grants	\$ _____
Other Resources	\$ _____	Other Resources	\$ _____	Other Resources	\$ _____

*If students are to drop any classes during any semester, please contact your Financial Aid counselor prior to doing so, To determine the impact on your financial aid.