

THE INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION FEE SCHOLARSHIP

The International Education Fee Scholarship (IEFS) aims to promote study abroad to TAMIU students. It is distributed in a competition open to all undergraduate and graduate TAMIU students, including international students, meeting the established eligibility requirements and attending a TAMIU approved study abroad program. The IEFS awards grants of up to \$4,000.

Eligibility

1. Students must be enrolled at least part-time at TAMIU at time of application
2. Undergraduate students must have a cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.5 or higher, graduate students must have a cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.2 or higher
3. Students must have been approved for participation in a TAMIU Study Abroad Program

Availability

The IEFS covers study abroad for short-term (less than 12 weeks), semester, and yearlong study abroad. Awards are fully competitive and based on student qualifications, funds availability, and number of qualified applicants.

Funding amounts

Award amounts range from: \$500 to \$1,000 for a short-term program, \$1,000 to \$3,000 for a semester program, and \$2,000 to \$4,000 for a yearlong program.

Selecting Award Recipients

The IEFS recipients will be selected on the basis of merit, need, classification, program selection, duration and cost, and prior IEFS awards. However, all students meeting the eligibility criteria are strongly encouraged to submit their IEFS application.

Award Requirements

IEFS recipients will provide to the Office of International Education (OIE) located in Pellegrino Hall 302 the following, within two weeks after completion of their study abroad program:

- Study Abroad Program Evaluation
- Follow-on Service Project consisting of a minimum of 3 PowerPoint Presentations to selected classes or a separate project assigned by OIE

Screening

Applications are reviewed and scored by OIE on a first-come, first-serve basis. Therefore, it is extremely important that all applicants take notice of the application submittal period, and deliver their application in person at OIE.

Application and Deadline

All applications must be submitted in person to OIE before 15 March for Summer program applicants, between 1-30 April for Fall program applicants, and between 1-30 October for Spring program applicants. The application package should consist of a completed IEFS Application and Study Abroad Budget.

Incomplete applications will not be considered (missing forms, missing/incorrect information, or a missing signature constitutes an incomplete application), and the Office of International Education will NOT contact students if information is missing or incomplete. Applicants will receive an award notification letter and email during the award notification period, and must comply with the instructions specified in the award letter. After 5:00 pm on the final day of the acceptance period, unaccepted funds will go to alternate students. Information about the scholarships will not be provided over the phone.

Important Dates

Students must complete and submit the IEFS Application Package to OIE by 5:00 pm on the dates listed below.

Time Abroad	Application Deadline	Notification Period	Acceptance Period
Fall	1 – 30 April	2 nd week of May	3 rd week of May
Spring	1 – 30 October	2 nd week of November	3 rd week of November
Summer	15 February	1 st week of March	2 nd week of March

Study Abroad Budget

The Study Abroad Budget is to be calculated based on program information and in consultation with the OIE Director. Copies of the Study Abroad Budget form can be found in the Study Abroad Library. The Study Abroad Budget needs to be signed by both the OIE Director and the student in order to be considered complete.

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PERSONAL DATA	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	TAMIU ID#
	(Circle one: Mr. / Ms.)			
	Local Address:			Home Phone
	Street Name/Number			Cell Phone
	City, State, Zip Code			
Place of Birth: (city/state/country)			Date of Birth (mo/day/yr)	
Email Address:				
TAMIU Email:		Personal Email:		

ACADEMIC DATA	Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA)	Total Semester Credit Hours
	Classification	Major
		Minor
	Study Abroad Program Name:	Program Sponsor:
	Country/Countries	<input type="checkbox"/> TAMIU/Exchange <input type="checkbox"/> Affiliate <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Affiliate
Program Duration		

FIN. AID	Office of Financial Aid Review	For OIE office use only.
	Please check one: Student has <input type="checkbox"/> need <input type="checkbox"/> no need	Date/Time Received: _____
		OIE Approved SA Program: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Financial Aid Signature _____ Date _____	Date/Time Notified: _____

SIGNATURE	I certify that all of the information on my IEFS application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that intentionally falsified information will lead to my disqualification from consideration of the scholarship. I will be required to re-pay any scholarship money awarded, should falsified information come to light following receiving the award. I will return or repay scholarship funds within 30 days, should I withdraw from the study abroad program or should the study abroad program be canceled.		
	Student Name (print)	Student Signature	Date