

MSUM Study Abroad scholarships application form: non-MSUM programs

Date application received in Office of Study Abroad: _____

There are several study abroad scholarships available to MSUM students. Students on the following external programs use this form:

ISA, KEI, SOL, USAC
AIFS, Semester at Sea

Other: _____

For this scholarship application you need to attach the following:

- a personal statement (one page min., two pages max., double spaced: How will studying abroad address your academic, personal, and career goals?)
- recommendation forms (attached- give to faculty, advisor, employer- no friends or family)
- transcripts (unofficial- print Chronological from eServices- *not* your Degree Audit)

You also need to have your Green Packet completed and on file in the Office of Study Abroad.

Please complete the following in order to be considered for available study abroad scholarships:

Name: _____

Dragon ID: _____

Current cumulative GPA: _____

Study Abroad Program & destination (from list above): _____

Semester(s) abroad: _____

I hereby apply for MSUM Study Abroad scholarships. I agree to the following stipulations:

- I will pursue the study abroad plan as described in my application, unless prior approval of changes in my plan is secured from the Office of Study Abroad;
- I understand that receiving this scholarship may affect my financial aid;
- I understand that the Office of Study Abroad assumes no responsibility, obligation, or liability whatsoever beyond providing the awarded amount of the scholarship;
- I understand that should I be unable to study abroad, the scholarship will not be given to me;
- I will submit a summary report of my accomplishments (approx. 350 words) to the Office of Study Abroad within 30 days of my return;
- I will provide a thank you note to my scholarship's donor(s);
- I have reviewed my application and certify that all information given in it is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____

Date: _____



Recommendation Form for Admission to an MSUM Study Abroad Program

- This section to be completed by Applicant

Name of Applicant: _____ For study in: _____

Reference Requested from: _____
(Name) (Occupation or Position)

- This section to be completed by Referee

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1. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?

2. Please indicate the applicant's competence in the following areas in comparison with other individuals whom you have known at similar stages in their careers.

	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Very Good	Outstanding	Inadequate opportunity to observe	Any Comments
Intellectually Curious							
Socially Mature							
Self-Reliant							
Emotionally Mature							
Self-Motivated							
Articulate							
Perceptive							
Adaptable							
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Well-Mannered							

3. The student named above is an applicant for a study abroad program. The program involves a full schedule of academic work abroad. To benefit from this experience a student must be highly motivated, emotionally mature, and able to adapt easily to people with different cultural and social backgrounds. All participants have strengths and weaknesses relevant to their participation in study abroad programs. We would appreciate your thoughtful and candid appraisal of this applicant. Your remarks will be seen by faculty and staff specifically responsible for counseling the student regarding this program.

STRENGTHS:

WEAKNESSES:

If a foreign language is required for program participation and you have knowledge of the student's capabilities, please answer questions 4 and 5. If not, please leave blank.

4. Please indicate your opinion of the applicant's present language ability in each of the following categories.

Language: _____	Listening Ability:	Speaking Ability:	Reading Ability:	Writing Ability:
None	_____	_____	_____	_____
Limited, Basic Ability	_____	_____	_____	_____
Intermediate, Some Inconsistency	_____	_____	_____	_____
Advanced, Can Use Complex Structures ...	_____	_____	_____	_____

5. What is your opinion of the applicant's ability to use this language in the host country?

- Should have no difficulty
- Should be able to manage adequately after a short period of adjustment abroad
- Would require considerable training before necessary competence is obtained

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone # _____

E-mail: _____

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