**Distinguished Scholarships and fellowships**

**Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship**

**Application Deadline:** October 2nd, 2018; Spring Deadline TBD

**About the Scholarship**

- Designed to expand on student population that studies abroad, as well as the countries and regions visited.
- Students receiving a Federal Pell Grant at a two or four year college or university will be awarded up to $5,000 ($4,000 average) for a study abroad or internship program.
- Three sessions:
  - **Spring** - December - April
  - **Summer** - May - August
  - **Fall** - July - October
- Encourages non-traditional programs in areas outside of Western Europe, Australia, and New Zealand
- Award money is used for study abroad/internship program and covers tuition, room/board, books, local transportation, insurance, and airfare.
- Students who receive the Gilman Scholarship and study a critical need language will be automatically considered for the **Critical Need Language Award (CNLA)** which would award them up to $8,000 in addition to their Gilman award.
  - Critical Need Languages: Arabic, Chinese, Bahasa Indonesia, Japanese, Turkic, Persian, Indic, Korean, Russian, Swahili

**Eligibility Requirements**

- All U.S. citizen undergraduates in good academic standing
- Must be Receiving a Federal Pell Grant and provide proof that it will be received at the time of application or during the study abroad term
- Applying/accepted into a study abroad or internship program that is eligible for credit through an accredited Higher Education institution
- Studying in one country for at least 4 weeks, or 28 days
- Traveling in any country except Cuba or ones found on the U.S. Department of States current travel warning list

**Materials Needed to Submit**

- A current, official university transcript or one from a prior university
- Online certifications from the applicant’s study abroad and financial aid advisor
- 2 essays (max 7,000 characters per essay)
  - Statement of Purpose and Follow-on Service Project Proposal

*For Additional information, or to request a meeting in person to discuss the application process, please contact Career Education and Development at 724-738-2028*