SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY

# **Boren Scholarship**

### **Application Deadline Late February**

#### **General Overview**

- Gives students a chance to study languages that are less likely to be taught on U.S. institutions, but are crucial to U.S. interests
- Recipients have an opportunity to travel to areas underrepresented in study abroad programs
  - Africa, Asia, Central and Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America, and the Middle East
  - o Western Europe, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand are excluded
- Boren Scholarships are designed to promote student interest in pursuing careers based in federal government
  - o Part of the application requires a commitment for the recipient to work in the federal government sector for at one year after graduation
- \$8,000 for the summer program- 8 weeks, STEM focused students only
- \$10,000 for a semester
- \$20,000 for 6-12 months
- Boren Scholarships promote long term linguistic and cultural immersion, and therefore study abroad proposals for two or more semesters are strongly encouraged. Preference will be given to undergraduate applicants proposing a at least 6 months overseas.

## **Eligibility Requirements**

- U.S. citizen by time of application
- High school graduate, or have earned a GED
- In an undergraduate degree program located within the United States accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.
- Applying to a study abroad program that meets home institution standards in a country outside of Western Europe, Canada, Australia, or New Zealand.

#### **How to Apply**

- Candidates must receive endorsement from their campus representative, following their guidelines
- Complete an online application, which includes two essays related to the Boren values
- Two Letters of Recommendation, and an optional language proficiency form
  - o Language self-assessment through LinguaFolio
- All official transcripts

For additional information, or to begin the application process, contact Career Education and Development at 724-738-2028

