Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship
Application Deadline (By Program Start Time):
Spring Program- October
Summer Program- October (Early Apply)/March
Fall Program- March

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