

Case Western Reserve University is excited to offer two additional scholarship opportunities for the spring 2017 semester. Students can apply to either or both scholarships using this form. Please read eligibility requirements and application procedures outlined below. All components must be submitted to the Office of Education Abroad by **September 30, 2016** to be considered.

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IIE Generation Study Abroad Scholarship Program for Underrepresented Minority Students



The think: possibilities scholarship is awarded by the Office of Education Abroad and the Office of Multicultural Affairs to promote and assist underrepresented minority students to study abroad. The primary focus of the IIE Generation Study Abroad Scholarship Program is to ensure that a diverse range of students have the opportunity to study abroad, particularly those who would not be able to otherwise.

To be eligible to apply for this scholarship, you must be:

- a U.S. citizen or permanent resident,
- enrolled in an undergraduate degree program at CWRU,
- identify as an Underrepresented Minority Student (URM) as defined by CWRU, and
- accepted to study abroad by CWRU for spring 2017.

IES Abroad: Cape Town Scholarship Spring 2017



The IES Abroad: Cape Town Scholarship is awarded by the Office of Education Abroad for students studying abroad in Cape Town, South Africa through IES Abroad during the spring 2017 semester. The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage students to study in Cape Town and take advantage of the unique opportunities that this program has to offer.

To be eligible to apply for this scholarship, you must be:

- enrolled in an undergraduate degree program at CWRU, and
- accepted to study abroad by CWRU for spring 2017 on the IES Abroad: Cape Town program (per your study abroad application to CWRU).

****You do not yet have to be accepted by the overseas institution to apply for either scholarship****

There are several components of the scholarship application and the application process is the same for both scholarships. Please start your application early to give yourself some time to gather all of the required materials:

- 1) Transcript(s) from all other universities attended (if applicable)
- 2) Letter of reference (use the enclosed Reference Form). The reference should come from a professor, employer, etc.
- 3) A sample budget
- 4) A one page personal statement. The personal statement should include the reason you chose to study abroad in your host country, why gaining international experience is so crucial in today's world, and how these experiences acquired abroad can advance cultural awareness and diversity on CWRU's campus. Please write honestly and concisely; statements should be no more than one page in length, double spaced.
- 5) One page outline for a project pertaining to your study abroad experience. The outline can be formal or simply a paragraph, as long as it clearly states your goals and purpose for the project. The purpose of this project is to raise awareness on CWRU's campus and elsewhere about various study abroad opportunities and the benefits of international experiences. Project ideas may range from writing travel blogs, submitting articles to the Daily, creating a presentation or promotional video, etc.
- 6) Completed Applicant Information section (see next page).

Once the entire application has been compiled, submit it to the Office of Education Abroad in person, by email, fax, or postal mail. Our contact information is at the top of this page. The deadline to apply is **September 30, 2016**. Scholarship recipients will be notified shortly after the application deadline via email. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

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IES Abroad: Cape Town scholarship

Any Case Western Reserve student who has 1) been accepted by CWRU to study abroad for spring 2017 and 2) meets the eligibility requirements can apply for these featured scholarships. A total of eight scholarships worth \$2,500 each will be awarded (six for IIE Generation Study Abroad and two for IES Abroad: Cape Town). An outstanding applicant may receive both awards. Applying for and/or winning these scholarships will have no bearing on the consideration of your study abroad application. Applications will not be considered unless all application materials have been submitted. The deadline to apply is **September 30, 2016**.

Applicant Information

Name _____
First Middle Last Preferred Name

CWRU NetID _____ ☐ Freshman ☐ Sophomore ☐ Junior ☐ Senior ☐ Graduate Student

Email _____ Phone (_____) _____ GPA _____

Hometown _____ Campus Address _____

Expected date of graduation _____ Major(s) _____ Minor(s) _____

Host Country _____ Host Institution _____

I am applying for (check all that apply):

☐ IIE Generation Study Abroad Scholarship ☐ IES Abroad: Cape Town Scholarship

Supplemental Materials

Please include the following materials with this application:

- ☐ Copy of transcript(s) from other universities attended (if applicable)
- ☐ (1) Sealed reference (use included Reference Form)
- ☐ Sample budget that includes: program fee, estimated airfare, additional program costs (meals, visas, housing) and an outline of your unmet financial need
- ☐ One-page double-spaced personal statement keeping the following questions in mind:
 - a. In your opinion, why is studying abroad an important tool in today's world, pertaining to your academic career and your future?
 - b. What led you to choose to study abroad?
 - c. How does study abroad advance diversity and cultural awareness at Case Western Reserve University?
 - d. What are your fears for living and studying overseas and how will you overcome them?
- ☐ Scholarship Project Proposal

Reference Information

1. Name: _____ Title: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Acknowledgement

I understand that late or incomplete applications will not be considered. I understand that receipt of a scholarship does not guarantee that I will be accepted into my chosen Study Abroad program. I will not receive any scholarship money if I do not study abroad within the specific guidelines listed above. I understand that I will be required to complete and submit my approved scholarship acceptance project(s) in exchange for my scholarship money. I promise to notify the Office of Education Abroad if I no longer wish to study abroad. All of the information included in this application and all of the information that I have submitted is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date

Reference Form

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The applicant named below has applied for one (or more) of the study abroad scholarship for spring 2017 semester listed above. These scholarship help to ensure that a diverse range of students have the opportunity to study abroad, particularly those who would not have the ability to otherwise. We will review scholarship applications as soon as the deadline of September 30, 2016 passes. Please make sure to complete and submit this recommendation before then. Completed forms can be mailed or emailed to the Center for International Affairs at Case Western Reserve University (address listed above).

Applicant's Last or Family Name/Surname	First	Last
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What is your relationship with the applicant? _____

For how long have you known the applicant? _____

Please check which box accurately applies to the candidate:

	Exemplary	Above Average	Average	Below Average
Maturity				
Independence				
Accountability				
Ability to Self-Advocate				

If you would like to expand on your response for any category, please do so below:

If there is anything else you would like to share with the selection committee about this applicant, please do so below:

Printed Name of Reference	Title/Organization
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Phone Number	Email Address
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Signature	Date
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