

TRAVEL GRANT

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

For summer programs: March 15
 For fall programs: April 15
 For spring programs: October 15

SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO:

Study Abroad & Student Exchange Office:
 USB, Room 301 **or** 939 N. Tyndall Ave
 Tucson, AZ 85721 Tucson, AZ 85721

Students may apply as a NEED applicant, a MERIT applicant or if you meet the requirements of both categories, you can apply as a NEED & MERIT applicant. All application materials MUST be received by 5pm MST on the date of the application deadline. No exceptions will be granted.

ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE REVIEWED.

NEED APPLICANTS:

- Must be a degree-seeking UA student, enrolled in a University of Arizona Study Abroad and Student Exchange sponsored program.
- Minimum 3.0 GPA.
- You must have a current FAFSA on file with the UA Office of Student Financial Aid.

MERIT APPLICANTS:

- Must be a degree-seeking UA student, enrolled in a University of Arizona Study Abroad and Student Exchange sponsored program.
- Minimum 3.5 GPA.

PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION MATERIALS:

- Applicant Profile Form
- Unofficial UA Transcript
- Estimated Cost Worksheet (*From program application materials or www.studyabroad.arizona.edu/costs/*).
- Personal Statement (*2 copies, see description on the Personal Statement page*)
- Financial Aid Summary (*For NEED or NEED & MERIT applicants only, available on UAAccess*)
- Need and/or Merit Statement:

For NEED applicants:

-In 200 words or less, submit 2 copies of a separate paragraph that uses concrete examples to describe why your need is significant (e.g. current need-based grants, exceptional financial restraints, etc.)*

For MERIT applicants:

-In 200 words or less, please submit 2 copies of a separate paragraph that uses concrete examples to describe why you are an exceptional merit candidate (e.g. other academic awards or honors, volunteerism, professional experience, etc.)*

For NEED & MERIT applicants:

-In 300 words or less, please submit 2 copies of a separate paragraph that addresses both your need and merit for this award.*

*** Do not include your name or the name of your intended study abroad program or destination in your paragraph. Please title your paragraph as Need, Merit, or Need & Merit.**

Recipients of the SASE Travel Grant may be asked to assist the SASE Office with promotion, outreach activities, buddy programs, and/or SASE events upon return from their Study Abroad program. Speak to your study abroad advisor for guidance and/or feedback related to this application.

LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED

SASE TRAVEL GRANT APPLICANT PROFILE FORM

APPLICANT TYPE:

Need Merit Need & Merit

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Name: _____

UA Student ID #: _____ Date of birth: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Study Abroad/Exchange Program Title: _____

Program Year: _____ Fall Spring Summer I Summer II

Class Standing: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate

Residency: In-State Student Out-of-State Student

Have you received a SASE Travel Grant before? Yes No

If yes, what semester/term: _____ (term, year). Please note that receiving a Travel Grant during a prior cycle will not affect your chances of being awarded a Travel Grant during the present cycle.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SASE TRAVEL GRANT...

The University of Arizona SASE Travel Grant is reviewed anonymously. Grants are limited and highly competitive. Fall and spring awards range from \$500-\$1,000, and summer awards range from \$250-\$500. The most competitive applications will demonstrate financial need as well as merit. **Students applying for an academic year program, need to reapply for the 2nd semester.** It is the student's responsibility to make sure that ALL materials have been submitted before the deadline. All award notifications are sent to the email address provided on the application. Students will receive notification about 1 month after the application deadline and awards are distributed to student Bursar's accounts at the beginning of the regular semester or summer session in Tucson.

Students are awarded based upon the information provided on the application form and the overall quality of the Personal Statement Essay and the Need, Merit, or Need & Merit paragraph.

SASE TRAVEL GRANT PERSONAL STATEMENT

The SASE Travel Grant Personal Statement is the most important factor of your application, so please take the time to read over the directions carefully.

PERSONAL STATEMENT DIRECTIONS:

All essays should be typed, double-spaced and should not exceed the length of 1 page. The essay should not include your name, student ID, the name of your intended study abroad program, or the name of the country you plan to study to ensure total anonymity for the reviewing process. Please provide 2 copies of your Personal Statement with your application.

Essays will be judged on the overall quality of the essay, including grammar, spelling, length, and how well the writer addressed the questions below.

Your essay should address the following questions:

1. What are your specific academic reasons for selecting your study abroad program?
2. How do you believe that study abroad will contribute to your goals academically and personally?
3. How will you fulfill your role as an informal “ambassador” of both the University of Arizona and the United States during your time abroad on your program?

Before submitting your application, please check that you have completed all materials. Please note that dismissal or withdraw from your selected study abroad program will result in you being responsible for repayment of the Travel Grant.

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