## Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship

### Purpose
Sponsored by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs to promote study abroad for students with financial need, who study abroad with less frequency than their peers. Started in 2001 to help students prepare to succeed in *an increasingly global economy and interdependent world*.

### Award

**Tenable**
Use with existing programs and exchanges. Any destination abroad, excluding those with Department of State Travel Warnings or Cuba.

**Number & Amount**
Funding over 3000 in an academic year. Up to $5000 (based on need and program cost). An additional $3000 is also available through the *Critical Need Language Supplement* (60 awards for language study in areas vital to national security). Up to 100 awards for any form of Title IV Financial Aid for children of veterans.

**Duration**
Apply to summer, semester or academic year programs. Must spend at least three weeks in one country.

### Eligibility

**Who**
US citizen or US national. Any major. Must have a Pell Grant at the time of application.

**When**
Any undergraduate year. Coordinate with plans for study abroad.

**Selection Criteria**
Good academic record. Strong essays. Appealing proposal for service project. Gilman also seeks diversity of academic major, destination and demography (both ethnic and geographic). Study outside of Western Europe/Australia is encouraged. Ideal applicants also lack prior study abroad experience.

### Campus Deadline
Financial Aid and Office of International Programs each must submit supplemental forms after you submit your Gilman application. They have a slightly later deadline.

### Deadline
Summer, Fall Term, or Academic Year applicants apply in March. Spring Term or Summer Early Consideration applicants apply in October.

### Application

### Contact
Contact the Office of International Programs at 304 Fairchild or (785) 532-5990 to discuss your study abroad plans and interest in the Gilman. Jim Hohenbary can also help students with Gilman essays: 215 Fairchild or (785) 532-3422.

### Other
Upon completing the Gilman, students are expected to perform a service project, for the community or campus, that promotes the Gilman and/or study abroad.

More info available at [www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program](http://www.k-state.edu/nationalscholarships).

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