UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND - NATIONAL FELLOWSHIPS & ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES
FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDY/RESEARCH

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDY ABROAD

**Beatrice S. Demers Foreign Language Fellows Program** ($1K – 25K) January
rifoundation.org/Scholarships
The fund provides fellowships for Rhode Island residents and anyone who is a student at a Rhode Island college or university who wishes to pursue foreign language study. Preference will be given to applicants from the University of Rhode Island!

*Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship* ($5K or $7K) Early October (for spring) / Early March (for summer/fall/academic year)
iie.org/gilman
The Gilman Scholarship Program is open to U.S. citizen undergraduate students with Pell Grant eligibility who are planning to study abroad. The program aims to diversify the kinds of students who study abroad and the countries and regions where they go by supporting undergraduates who might otherwise not participate due to financial constraints.

*Boren Scholarships* On-campus deadline: Early January
borenawards.org
For students interested in languages deemed critical to national security (or advanced Spanish/French for study in Latin America or Africa.) Scholarship award will cover the cost of a proposed study abroad program up to $20K/academic year or $10K/semester. Special summer opportunity for students in the STEM disciplines is also available. Boren scholars must commit to seeking employment with the national security community for one year upon graduation.

Chinese Government Scholarships Varies
csc.edu.cn/laihua/scholarshipen.aspx
Chinese government scholarships provide an opportunity for students to pursue an undergraduate degree, graduate degree or language acquisition at a Chinese university. These scholarships are merit-based and include tuition, housing and even a monthly living stipend. Programs usually last two or more years, although you do not need to participate in a degree-granting program. The Chinese Scholarship Council oversees many Chinese government scholarships; see website for details.

Critical Languages Scholarship (CLS) Mid-November
clscholarship.org
Fully-funded, group-based, summer intensive language program, including instruction and structured cultural enrichment experiences for seven to ten weeks abroad. Open to U.S. citizen undergraduate and graduate students interested in studying one of these 13 languages at the following levels: Azerbaijani, Bangla/Bengali, Hindi, Indonesian, Korean, Punjabi, Turkish, and Urdu (beginning or above); Arabic and Persian (advanced beginning or above); and Chinese, Japanese, and Russian (intermediate or advanced). The CLS Program is part of a U.S. government effort to expand dramatically the number of Americans studying and mastering critical need foreign languages. Students of diverse disciplines and majors are encouraged to apply. Participants are expected to continue their language study beyond the scholarship period.
**Foundation for Global Scholars** ($1K - $2.5K)  
Mid-November (for spring-start programs) / Early April (for summer-start) / Mid-June (for fall-start)  
invites applications from any level of student with a GPA of 2.5+ who is planning to participate in a program abroad, including for a short-term/summer, semester, or year abroad, or a service-learning, internship, or research experience. In addition to the general Foundation for Global Scholars Scholarship, the Foundation awards Financial Need Scholarships (for Pell Grant recipients), STEM Scholarships (for students majoring in the sciences, technology, engineering, or math), and Ethnically Diverse Student Scholarships.

**Fund for Education Abroad** (Up to $10K)  
January  
Committed to increasing the opportunities for dedicated American students to participate in high-quality, rigorous education abroad programs by reducing financial restrictions through the provision of grants and scholarships. In addition to the general Fund for Education Abroad (FEA) scholarships, the [Boston Area Study Abroad Association](https://www.basaa.com) (BASAA) has partnered with FEA to offer two $5,000 awards to deserving students who are enrolled in a CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, or VT university.

**German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Undergraduate Scholarship**  
Late January  
Scholarships funding semester or academic year of study, senior thesis research and/or internships in Germany. Monthly stipend of approximately € 650, plus additional funds to help defray travel and research expenses as well as health insurance. *OTHER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS AVAILABLE; see [daad.org](https://www.daad.org).*

**JASSO Scholarship for Short-Term Study in Japan**  
long lead time  
For qualified students accepted by Japanese universities, graduate schools, or colleges of technology under the student exchange agreement on a short-term basis from about three months to one year.

**The Killam Undergraduate Fellowships for Americans**  
January  
Provides an opportunity to spend either one semester or a full academic year as an exchange student in Canada. Award of $5,000 US per semester ($10,000 for a full academic year), an all expense paid three day orientation in Ottawa, and a three day all expense paid seminar in Washington.

**New England – China Scholarship**  
Contact NEBHE  
Opportunity for students to spend up to one year abroad in China—studying the Chinese language and other disciplines—at one of a select list of universities in the Beijing area. Covers cost of tuition and fees. Renewable upon review and re-application!

**Rotary International**  
Apply to chapter in your home town  
Scholarship opportunities, criteria/eligibility, and deadlines vary by local chapter. Conduct research early on by contacting your local chapter directly for more information.

**US-UK Fulbright Commission Summer Institutes for U.S. Undergraduates**  
March  
Provides the opportunity for U.S. undergraduates with at least two years of undergraduate study left to complete, to come to the UK on a 3- to 6-week academic and cultural summer program.
**Whitaker International Undergraduate Scholarship** ($7.5 – 10K)  

*whitaker.org/grants/undergraduate-grants*  

**October** (for spring) /  
**March** (for Fall/Academic Year)  

Supports biomedical or bioengineering undergraduates in their second, third, or fourth year (at the time of the scholarship) to take biomedical engineering coursework, intern, or conduct research abroad for one semester or an academic year. (No scholarships available for summer.)

### INDEPENDENT PROJECTS ABROAD

**Michael P. Metcalf Memorial Scholarship**  

*rifoundation.org/Scholarships*  

**January**  

For educational enrichment outside of the classroom that will stimulate personal growth through travel, study, and public service programs. Applicants must be freshmen, sophomore or junior Rhode Island residents; the award cannot be used for tuition.

**Samuel Huntington Public Service Award**  

*nationalgridus.com/Masselectric/about_us/award.asp*  

**Mid-January**  

Provides a $15,000 stipend for a graduating college senior to pursue one year of public service anywhere in the world.

### RESEARCH OR INTERNSHIPS ABROAD

**Cultural Vistas Fellowships**  

*cdsintl.org/fellowshipsabroad*  

Offer several prestigious fellowship opportunities abroad; see website for details. The duration, content, location, and focus of each fellowship varies, e.g.:  

- **Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange (CBYX) for Young Professionals:** Full-year, work-study scholarship program in Germany with a strong focus on cultural exchange.  
- **EMGIP Fellowship:** One to three-month fellowship at a German state parliament. Excellent opportunity to gain government work experience.

**DAAD RISE**  

*daad.org*  

**December/January**  

Summer internships in Germany for undergraduate students in the fields of biology, chemistry, physics, earth sciences and engineering. RISE fellows work directly with doctoral students in research groups at top German universities and institutions and can expect to gain serious hands-on research experience, along with a pro-rated monthly stipend of approximately €650 for eight weeks to three months between June and August.

**Fulbright Program**  

*iie.org/Fulbright*  

**On-campus deadline: First day of classes**  

**Declaration of Intent preferred by July 1**  

For graduating seniors and graduate students. Provides funds for research and study in approximately 140 countries for academic high achievers.

**Pasteur Foundation Summer Undergraduate Internship Program**  

*pasteurfoundation.org*  

**December**  

Provides rising college seniors (at the time of the internship) the rare opportunity to conduct summer research at the Institut Pasteur. Interns carry out research supervised by a lab mentor. Interns will receive a living allowance of $400 per week for a maximum of $4,000. Travel/housing are not paid by this program, but a $500 subsidy is provided and intended to defray costs of travel and requisite insurance.
**ThinkSwiss Research Scholarship**  
thinkswiss.org  
Late January

ThinkSwiss seeks to promote exchanges and shared knowledge between the U.S. and Switzerland and offers scholarships for a research stay in Switzerland. It supports highly motivated and qualified U.S. undergraduate and graduate students interested in conducting research at a public Swiss university or research institute for 2-3 months. The scholarship is open to undergraduate and graduate students from all fields, who will have completed at least their sophomore year by the time the research stay in Switzerland begins.

**Whitaker International Fellows and Scholars Program**  
whitaker.org/grants/fellows-scholars  
January

For graduating seniors. Supports young biomedical engineers (Whitaker Fellows) for study or research abroad for one academic year (9-12 months). Must have proficiency in host country language. Also open to students who have recently completed a master’s degree, are enrolled in a Ph.D. program, or are currently employed.

**Whitaker International Summer Program**  
whitaker.org/grants/summer-grants  
First Monday in February

For graduating seniors. Provides U.S. bioengineers and biomedical engineers with funding to pursue a summer (8 weeks) of high-quality research, internship in an industry setting or coursework relevant to their field of focus in biomedical engineering, in an international setting.

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**TEACHING ABROAD (POST-GRADUATION)**

*Teaching Assistant Program in France (TAPIF)*  
highereducation.frenchculture.org/teach-in-france  
January

For graduating seniors. Work in France for 7 months, teaching English to French students of all ages across all regions of metropolitan France and overseas in French Guiana, Guadeloupe, Martinique and Réunion.

*Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship*  
iiie.org/Fulbright  
On-campus deadline: First day of classes Declaration of Intent preferred by July 1

For graduating seniors and graduate students. Help teach English and U.S. culture in an overseas classroom for 8 to 12 months. Approximately 70 countries participate.

*North American Language and Culture Assistants in Spain*  
www.mecd.gob.es/eeuu/convocatorias-programas/convocatorias-eeuu/auxiliares-conversacion-eeuu.html  
January

World Teach  
Worldteach.org

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**PUBLIC SERVICE ABROAD (POST-GRADUATION)**

*Peace Corps*  
Peacecorps.gov

*William J. Clinton Fellowship for Service in India*  
aifoundation.org/programs/signature/fellowship.htm
American-Scandinavian Foundation Fellowships (Up to $23K)  
November 1
The American-Scandinavian Foundation (ASF) offers fellowships (up to $23,000) to individuals to pursue research, study or creative arts projects in one or more Scandinavian country for up to one year. Awards are made in all fields. Applicants must have a well-defined research, study or creative arts project that makes a stay in Scandinavia essential. Applicants must have completed their undergraduate education by the start of their project in Scandinavia, but priority is given to candidates at the graduate level for dissertation-related study or research.

Blakemore Freeman Fellowship Language Grants  
December
The Blakemore Foundation awards full-tuition fellowships to individuals to spend a year abroad in an intensive language program to improve their Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese, Thai, Indonesian, Burmese or Khmer language skills. Grants are only available for study at specific language schools in East and Southeast Asia. Applicants must be U.S. citizens with an undergraduate degree and have an advanced command of the target language (equivalent to three years of language study at the college level).

*Boren Fellowships  
On-campus deadline: December
borenawards.org
Provides up to $30,000 to U.S. graduate students to add an important international and language component to their graduate education through specialization in area study, language study, or increased language proficiency. Boren Fellowships support study and research in areas of the world that are critical to U.S. interests, including Africa, Asia, Central & Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America, and the Middle East.

Chinese Government Scholarships  
Varies
csc.edu.cn/laihua/scholarshipen.aspx
See above.

Critical Languages Scholarship  
Mid-November
clscholarship.org
See above.

Erasmus Mundus  
eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus_mundus
Offers scholarships to students and researchers to follow a Masters Course or Joint Doctorate at two or more European universities. There is a database of nearly 150 masters and doctoral courses to choose from. Study periods can vary between 3 months and 3 years.

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iie.org/Fulbright
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For graduating seniors and graduate students. Provides funds for research and study in approximately 140 countries for academic high achievers.

Gates  
On-campus deadline: August 1
gatesscholar.org
Declaration of Intent preferred by May 1
Full-cost awards for graduate study and research in any subject available at the University of Cambridge. Gates scholarships are highly competitive and are awarded to citizens of any country outside of the United Kingdom on the basis of the candidate’s academic excellence, a good fit between the Scholar and the University of Cambridge, evidence of leadership potential and a commitment to improving the lives of others.
German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
daad.org
Multiple opportunities. See daad.org.

Inter-American Foundation (IAF) Grassroots Development Fellowship Program
iie.org/en/Programs/IAF-Grassroots-Development-Fellowship-Program
Ph.D. candidates. Before beginning research funded under the IAF Fellowship, students must have advanced to candidacy for a Ph.D. in the social sciences, physical sciences, technical fields or other disciplines as related to grassroots development issues in Latin America or the Caribbean

*Marshall Scholarship
marshallsscholar.org
On-campus deadline: Early August
Declaration of Intent preferred by May 1
Marshall Scholarships finance up to forty young Americans of high ability to study for a degree in the United Kingdom in any field of study. As future leaders, with a lasting understanding of British society, Marshall Scholars strengthen the enduring relationship between the British and American peoples, their governments and their institutions. Their direct engagement with Britain through its best academic programs contributes to their ultimate personal success.

*Mitchell Scholarship
us-irelandalliance.org
On-campus deadline: August 1
Declaration of Intent preferred by July 1
Up to twelve Mitchell Scholars are chosen annually for one year of postgraduate study in any discipline offered by institutions of higher learning in Ireland and Northern Ireland. Applicants are judged on three criteria: scholarship, leadership, and a sustained commitment to community and public service. The Mitchell Scholars Program provides tuition, accommodations, a living expenses stipend, and an international travel stipend.

*Rhodes Scholarship
rhodesscholar.org
On-campus deadline: August 1
Declaration of Intent preferred by May 1
The oldest and most celebrated international fellowship award in the world. Each year 32 young Americans are chosen as Rhodes Scholars not only for their outstanding scholarly achievements, but for their character, commitment to others and to the common good, and for their potential for leadership in whatever domains their careers may lead. Provides full financial support to pursue a degree or degrees at the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom.

Rotary International See above.

DOMESTIC FUNDING FOR INTERNSHIPS OR GRADUATE STUDIES IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

*Carnegie Junior Fellows Program
carnegieendowment.org
On-campus deadline: November
One-year fellowships for uniquely qualified graduating seniors and individuals who have graduated during the past academic year. Carnegie Junior Fellows work as research assistants to the Endowment’s senior associates.

Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Program
Rangelprogram.org
January (Fellows)
February (Summer Program)
Offers summer enrichment and graduate fellowships to promising students preparing for careers in foreign service. Strong preference is given to students from groups that have been historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service and those with financial need.
The PPIA Fellowship Program is designed to prepare college juniors or rising seniors from diverse backgrounds for graduate studies in public and/or international affairs and groom them for professional roles in public service. There is an array of opportunities under the Fellowship which span a period of development from the junior year of college to beyond the completion of a graduate degree.

**Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship**

For students interested in foreign affairs who, in addition to outstanding leadership skills and academic achievement, demonstrate financial need. Applicants must be U.S. citizens. The Pickering Undergraduate Fellowship selects undergraduate students who apply in their junior year. Prospective master's degree students may apply to the Pickering Graduate Foreign Affairs Fellowship.

**Truman Scholarship**

For juniors who want to make a difference through public service. Scholarship pays for graduate or professional school in preparation for careers in government, the non-profit sector or public service; requires extensive records of public or community service and outstanding leadership potential and communication skills; based entirely on merit; financial need is not a consideration.

**STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM LOCATORS**

- uri.edu/international (URI Office of International Education)
- IIEpassport.org (maintained by the Institute of International Education)
- StudyAbroad.com

**SCHOLARSHIP LOCATORS**

- StudyAbroadFunding.org (maintained by the Institute of International Education)
- CollegeBoard.com
- FastWeb.com
- InternationalScholarships.com

Also inquire with:

- Honor societies you belong to for special study abroad scholarships (e.g., Phi Kappa Phi)
- Embassy/consulate web pages
- The study abroad program itself (e.g., CIEE)
- On-campus scholarships for study abroad
  - Ask the URI Office of International Education!
  - Review uri.edu/international/scholarships
  - Ask your college/department!
- Other volunteer/work opportunities on websites like idealist.org

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