



# STUDY AROAD SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICATION DEADLINE: October 10, 2015

*Student Checklist - Keep this sheet for your records.*

The Office of International Programs (OIP) invites full-time Salve Regina University students planning to study abroad for the first time through a Salve Regina recognized program, who hold a minimum GPA of 3.0, to apply for a Salve Study Abroad Scholarship. This scholarship aims to diversify students who can participate in a semester abroad and the countries/ regions where they choose to study. Furthermore, this scholarship aims to support undergraduates who might otherwise not participate due to financial constraints. Most applicants are eligible for the Study Abroad Endowment Scholarship, but may also be eligible for the Jane Campbell Scholarship in Modern Languages and/or the Donaldson Trust Scholarship. Funds will be awarded on the basis of academic merit, financial need and students' demonstrated maturity as responsible members of the Salve Regina community.

## ELIGIBILITY

1. Minimum 3.0 cumulative G.P.A.
2. First Time Studying Abroad
3. Studying Abroad during the **Spring 2016 semester**

## INSTRUCTIONS

*Follow these instructions to apply for the Study Abroad Scholarship.*

Return the following required application materials to the Office of International Programs by **October 10<sup>th</sup>**.

- Application for the Study Abroad Scholarship (attached)
- Copy of your Resume (Reviewed by a career adviser in Career Development before submission)
- Statement of Purpose Essay

The **Statement of Purpose Essay** is your chance to personalize your application. When composing the 750-1000 word essay, clearly address the impact that your study abroad program will have on your academic, professional, and personal goals. Also, address the impact that receiving the Study Abroad Scholarship would have on your achievement of these goals.

**Answer question #1 in your essay, and at least two others.**

1. What challenges, if any, have you faced in your decision to study abroad? What impact would receiving the Study Abroad Scholarship have on these challenges? For example, do family obligations or financial concerns hinder your ability to study abroad? Other examples include, but are not limited to, being a non-traditional student, having a learning or physical disability, being in a field of study for which it is difficult to incorporate study abroad, etc. **REQUIRED**
2. What impact will this study abroad program and receiving the Study Abroad Scholarship have on your academic goals? Will this experience enable you to take coursework or pursue further language training not available at Salve Regina? How will this study abroad program impact any future academic goals, such as obtaining a graduate degree?
3. What impact will the choice of country have on your experience abroad? What initially inspired you to want to study abroad in this particular country or learn this language? How do you i?
4. What impact will your choice of program have on your experience abroad? Are there unique components, such as home-stays, language immersion, etc. that will impact your experience abroad?
5. What impact will this study abroad program and receiving the Study Abroad Scholarship have on your professional goals? How does the study abroad program relate to your future professional goals? Does this program have any internship or volunteer opportunities during that you will take part in that connects with your overall career goals? During your semester abroad, will you be able to develop any unique skills or conduct research that will be necessary to in your career?
6. What impact will this study abroad program and receiving the Study Abroad Scholarship have on you personally?

- Faculty Reference (form attached)

Faculty can choose to submit the reference to you or directly to our office. Your application will not be complete and we will not consider your application until your faculty reference is received.

## THE NEXT STEPS

1. The Study Abroad Scholarship Committee will review all applications after the October 10th deadline has passed.
2. Students may be asked to participate in an interview prior to the awarding of the scholarship(s).
3. Scholarships will be announced on **Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>** at the **"Adventures in Another Land"** alumni presentation at **6 pm in DiStephano Lecture Hall, Antone**. All scholarship applicants are asked to attend.
4. A follow-up email will be sent to all scholarship recipients notifying them of any next step information, requirements and guidelines.
5. **IMPORTANT – Scholarship Award amounts are distributed directly to the recipients' Salve Regina account and will be first distributed toward Salve Spring 2016 tuition**
6. Award recipients must post blogs on the Salve Study Abroad Blog (<http://studyabroad.salvereginablogs.com/>) at least once a month during their spring 2016 semester abroad. This blog is public and can be found on the Salve Regina University website.
7. Award recipients must participate in spring 2017 Pre-Departure Workshops (during fall 2016) for upcoming study abroad students.
8. Upon the students return from their semester abroad, all award recipients must make a **formal presentation** about their study abroad experience during the 2017 International Education Week, "Adventures in Another Land" presentation.



# OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

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Complete the following application and submit it to the Office of International Programs by **October 10, 2015**.

### PART I: STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM INFORMATION

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Program: \_\_\_\_\_

University Abroad: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART II: PERSONAL INFORMATION

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  Male  Female Salve ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity/Race (optional):

- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian/Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latino/a
- White/Caucasian
- Multi-Racial (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- Do Not Know

### PART III: ACADEMIC INFORMATION

**PLEASE NOTE:** You must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA to be considered for these scholarships.

Anticipated Graduation (month/year): \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA over 3.0?  Yes  No

Major 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Major 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Minor 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Which degree requirement(s) would you like to fulfill with this study abroad program?

- Major Requirement(s)
- Minor Requirement(s)
- Core Complement(s)
- Free Elective(s)

Have you already studied abroad through Salve Regina University?  Yes  No

### PART IV: STATEMENT OF PURPOSE ESSAY

Please attach a 750 - 1000 word statement of purpose essay addressing the questions on the attached instructions page.

### PART V: FACULTY REFERENCE

Please ask one faculty member to complete the attached faculty reference form and submit the completed form to the Office of International Programs. Indicate below whom you have asked to provide your reference in case we need to follow up with the faculty member.

Reference Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART VI: STUDENT SIGNATURE

By submitting this application, I certify that the information on this application is correct. I acknowledge that award distribution is subject to certain eligibility requirements and is at the discretion of Salve Regina University. I understand that students receiving this scholarship must comply with the stated expectations of the Office of International Programs prior to, during and after the abroad experience. I acknowledge and agree that Salve Regina may revoke my scholarship application at any time if:

- I am no longer a matriculating student at Salve Regina,
- I no longer meet eligibility requirements of the scholarship I am awarded,
- I fail to pay the required Study Abroad Program fees for both Salve Regina and the program abroad,
- I have been found to have violated the Student Code of Conduct or any other law, rule, or regulation and/or I have engaged in unprofessional and/or inappropriate behavior that would affect my ability to preserve the high standards of the University as a student studying abroad.

I also authorize Salve Regina to publish for public relations purposes my photograph or photographs in which I appear.

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



# FACULTY REFERENCE FORM

## Salve Regina Study Abroad Scholarships for Spring 2016

Salve Regina University offers the following Study Abroad Scholarship opportunities through the Office of International Programs:

1. The SRU Study Abroad Endowment Scholarship – General scholarship open to eligible semester study abroad students
2. The Jane Campbell Scholarship in Modern Languages – Open to eligible students who are declared language majors or minors
3. The Donaldson Trust Scholarship – Open to eligible students who elect to study abroad in Spanish-speaking countries

### Student Directions

Complete the section below and deliver this form to your chosen faculty member.

### Student Info & Acknowledgment

Applicant Name:

Salve ID#:

Date:

I am applying for the following semester study abroad program:

Country:

City:

Name of Program or University:

*Select only one of the below options:*

- I hereby waive my right of access to the information on this reference.  
 I do not waive my right of access to the information on this reference.

Student Signature / date

### Instructions for Faculty

Please complete the reference form below as candidly as possible. You may submit the completed form to the Office of International Programs via campus mail, fax or email.

Alternatively, you can email your answers to the following questions to [studyabroad@salve.edu](mailto:studyabroad@salve.edu).

Please be aware that this student's scholarship application will not be reviewed until your faculty reference is received.

1. Do you feel this student is a good candidate for a semester or year of study abroad?  Yes  No

2. For how long and in what capacity have you known this student? Please provide an overall assessment of the applicant's academic abilities and potential for academic success during their semester abroad.



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3. Please share your thoughts on the scholarship applicant's strengths, extra-curricular involvement, and any other areas of distinction that make this student stand out.

4. Please share your thoughts regarding on this applicant's suitability for the Study Abroad Scholarships in relation to their chosen study abroad program and/or location of program (listed above).

5. Do you have any additional comments about this student?

Printed Reference  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_