

Grant & Scholarship Application Instructions

Information & Eligibility Guidelines

Each semester, Boston University Study Abroad offers a limited number of grants and scholarships to eligible students. These grants and scholarships are awarded based on financial need, academic merit or both. Our grants and scholarships generally range from \$500 to \$3,000 and are meant to help defray the costs of international study.

BU Study Abroad will notify students of their award status. Notification is also sent to the Office of Financial Assistance at Boston University, and awards are credited directly to the recipient's Boston University student account.

Students may apply for any combination of the following:

- **Grant:** Based on financial need. Students must submit both pages of the Grant & Scholarships Application.
- **Merit Scholarship:** Based on academic merit; a cumulative GPA of 3.6 or above is required. The transcript(s) submitted with your program application will be used to verify your GPA.
- **Padua Scholarship:** Contact the Padua Program Manager for a separate Padua Scholarship application. Boston University students may apply for the Padua Scholarship for either the fall or the spring semester.

Eligibility Guidelines:

- In order to be awarded a grant or scholarship, you must be accepted into a Boston University Study Abroad program. You may, however, begin the grant/scholarship application process while applying to a program.
- Non-Boston University students may submit applications for the Fall, Spring or Summer term; Boston University students may submit applications for the Summer term only.
- Please note: The Boston University Office of Financial Assistance handles Boston University students' financial assistance during the Fall and Spring semesters.
- Undergraduate and graduate students may apply.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Late applications will be considered depending on availability of funds.
- Non-United States citizens are only eligible for the academic merit portion of the grant and scholarship.

Application Instructions & Requirements

Please use this form as a checklist when completing your application.

To Apply for a Merit-Based Scholarship or Program-Specific Scholarship:

- Complete page 1 of the Grant/Scholarship Application.

To Apply for a Need-Based Grant or Program-Specific Grant:

- Complete the Grant/Scholarship Application.
- Complete the student portion on page 2 of the application and submit it to your home institution's financial aid office for completion of the school portion. **Boston University students should have this form completed by the BU Office of Financial Assistance, and then submit the form directly to the BU Study Abroad office. The Office of Financial Assistance is not responsible for forwarding application materials.** The student should submit the completed forms to BU Study Abroad before the application deadline.

Grants & Scholarships for Summer Programs:

- You may submit grant and scholarship application materials, prior to receiving an acceptance decision.
- Grant and scholarship applications for summer are reviewed on a rolling basis. Once you have been accepted into a program, if your grant application materials are complete, you should receive an award decision within two weeks. If your application materials are received after you have been accepted into a program, you should receive an award decision within two weeks of when the application materials are received by BU Study Abroad.
- Grant and scholarship applications will continue to be reviewed while funds remain available.

Application Deadlines for Grants & Scholarships:

May 1	Fall and Academic Year Programs
November 1	Spring Programs

Submit all Grant and/or Scholarship Application Materials to:

Attention: Financial Aid Committee
Boston University Study Abroad
888 Commonwealth Avenue
Boston, MA 02215
Fax: 617-353-5402



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This form is to be completed in its entirety by the student. Please print legibly.

Name: _____ Date: _____

B.U. I.D. # (if known): _____ E-mail address: _____

Home Institution: _____

Boston University program name/location: _____

Program semester/s and year/s: Fall ____ Spring ____ Academic Year ____-____ Summer ____

Indicate the Grant/Scholarship for which you are applying (see separate instructions for materials to submit):

- Grant
- Merit Scholarship:
- GPA ____ out of ____

Please explain how you expect to pay for the program: _____

List all forms of financial aid you will receive for the program (loans, scholarships, grants, etc.):

List all forms of financial aid you received last semester/year (loans, scholarships, grants, etc.):

Are you currently enrolled in a degree program?

- Yes
- No

If you are not currently enrolled in a degree program please submit a brief statement explaining your financial circumstances in lieu of page 2 of this application.

Boston University prohibits discrimination against any individual on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, national origin, physical or mental handicap, marital, parental, or veteran status.



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Printed Name of Student _____

Home Institution I.D. # _____

With my signature below, I authorize the Office of Financial Assistance of my home institution to release the information requested on this form to Boston University Study Abroad.

Student Signature

Date

THE FOLLOWING SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY A FINANCIAL AID ADMINISTRATOR AT THE STUDENT'S HOME INSTITUTION (The student is responsible for submitting this form to the appropriate person for completion.)

Is the student eligible for federal financial aid? YES NO

Is the student eligible to receive financial aid through the home institution for the Boston University Study Abroad program? No application received to date YES NO

Loans: _____ \$ _____

Grants/Scholarships: _____ \$ _____

Other: _____ \$ _____

Expected family contribution for the current academic year \$ _____

Student's accumulated educational debt to date (exclude parental debt) \$ _____

If this student is awarded a Boston University Study Abroad Grant/Scholarship, will it affect his or her financial aid from your institution? Please explain:

Signature of Financial Aid Administrator _____

Date

_____ Title

Printed name of Financial Aid Administrator _____

_____ Email Address

Name and Address of College or University _____

_____ Telephone # _____ Fax #