

2025-2026 STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES

WINTER, SPRING, AND SPRING BREAK
DECEMBER 21, 2025

SUMMER AND FALL
APRIL 26, 2026



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GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT OFFICE TRAVEL AWARD

West Chester University's Global Engagement Office (GEO) is proud to offer students the opportunity to apply for the GEO Study Abroad Travel Awards each year. Awards ranging in the amount of \$200-\$750 (short-term programs) or \$500-\$1,500 (semester-long or full-year programs) will be given to selected students participating in approved study abroad programs. West Chester University's Strategic Plan, Building on Excellence, has made the objective to increase the international educational opportunities for students a top priority.



LAWRENCE A. DOWDY ENDOWMENT STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP

The Lawrence A. Dowdy Endowment Study Abroad Scholarship was established on October 21, 2016 in honor of Lawrence A. Dowdy for his years of devoted service to West Chester University. The endowment supports programs that provide student leaders with the skill set they need to model servant leadership and operationalize the concepts of diversity, inclusion, and civility. This endowment is designed to increase international education opportunities for multi-cultural students. The scholarship provides awards ranging from \$400 - \$1000 for a multicultural student to reduce program expenses.

SHINEHOUSE FAMILY INTERNATIONAL STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to students participating in education abroad programs. Recipients will be asked to write an essay detailing why travel abroad is important and how the experience will prepare them for life after graduation. Preference also will be given for academic excellence or significant positive campus engagement and students visiting the Gishwati Research Station.

ALFRED D. ROBERTS FOREIGN LANGUAGE SCHOLARSHIP

This fund was established in honor of Dr. Alfred D. Roberts, professor of foreign languages at West Chester University from 1959 through 1988. He founded the Department of Foreign Language at West Chester and served as the president of the Faculty Senate. The scholarship recipient will be a student with outstanding achievement in the study of a foreign language but does not need to have a major or minor in foreign language.

JAMES MCERLANE SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDY ABROAD

The James McErlane Scholarship supports students with evidence of high academic performance, demonstrated financial need, and academic purpose of studying abroad.

