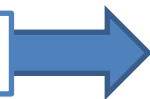


# UCEAP Scholarships

## About the Scholarships:

- Scholarships are available for students selected for or applying to a UCEAP program
- There are 10 different kinds of scholarship offered through UCEAP
- Over 584 scholarships between approximately \$500 to \$5000 will be awarded
- Award amounts will vary depending on the specific scholarship, length of program, and student need
  - **Average award = \$1500**
- Application eligibility and procedures will vary depending on the scholarships you are applying for
- For detailed information on all scholarship go to
  - **<http://eap.ucop.edu/scholarships/>**

Turn over page for advice on *Statement of Purpose*



## **Statement of Purpose Tips**

- Pay attention to the description and eligibility of the scholarship and make sure to tailor your statement of purpose to focus on what they are looking for and what's being asked of you.
- Self-disclose if you are under-represented in the study abroad community
  - Ethnic Diversity
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Generation College Student
  - Disability
  - Veteran
  - Transfer Student
  - STEM major (Science, Technology, Math, Engin.)
  - LGBTIQ
  - Studying abroad a 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> time
- Make sure every sentence relates to the prompt, as well as adds value to your overall essay. Remember that the UCEAP scholarships review panelists read many applications, and *getting to the point* quickly will help keep the reader focused on important content.

## **Key phrases you may see and how to address them**

- **“Academic Merit”**
  - What is your GPA?
  - How have you prepared yourself academically for your chosen program?
  - Have you studied the host country's language?
  - Have you taken any courses or done research related to the host country or your program's academic focus?
- **“Academic Integration”**
  - How does your chosen program help you with your academic goals?
  - How does your chosen program or country help you with your career goals?
  - Why is this program or country a better option for you than others that are available?
  - What extra-curricular activities have you previously been involved in that relate to your chosen program?
  - **\*\*For all of the above, think about the courses you will take, intern or volunteer opportunities you will have, language skills you will acquire, etc.**
- **“Impact of financial need or who are traditionally under-represented”**
  - Think about any challenges you have had to overcome.
  - Have these challenges negatively affected your GPA?
  - Does your major have course sequences that you can't miss?
  - Do you financially provide for yourself or your family?
  - Look above at the top of this page to see examples of traditionally under-represented. Do any of these impact your study abroad decision in any way?
- **“Willingness to embrace and learn from the host country's customs, language, and culture”**
  - Will you be taking courses about your host country while abroad?
  - Will you be taking a language class or taking classes taught in the host language?
  - How will you be engaging with locals?
    - Internship? Volunteer? Joining a club? Living with local students? Research?