



# Department of World Languages and Literatures

## Scholarship Application

### Submit to:

**Department of World Languages and Literatures**  
**Attn: Awards and Study Abroad Committee**  
**412 Sprau**  
**Western Michigan University**  
**1903 W Michigan Ave.**  
**Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5338**

or by email: [matthew.alonso@wmich.edu](mailto:matthew.alonso@wmich.edu)

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Phone: (269) 387-6240

- Minimum eligibility requirements for Department of World Languages and Literatures scholarships and awards are on page 2.
- If you wish to be considered for these scholarships and awards, submit your completed application, including typed essay, prior to the deadline listed.
- Only one application is necessary to be considered for ALL awards and scholarships (pending eligibility requirements for each individual award or scholarship).
- *If you are not selected for one award or scholarship, you will automatically be considered for the other awards and scholarships offered by the department.*
- *Students CAN apply for scholarships and awards given during the semester in which they are already studying abroad.*

## Available Scholarships:

1. The Diether Haenicke Scholarship for Study Abroad in **(multiple scholarships available)**
2. Summer Travel and Study Abroad Scholarship.

## Eligibility for all scholarships and awards:

- Students must be currently enrolled at WMU.
- Applicants must plan to enroll in an approved program of language study at a university outside of the United States or in a study abroad program sponsored by an American university. The purpose of study must be to improve language skills.
- The applicant must enroll in a study abroad program whose credits are transferable to WMU and which is approved by both the Scholarship and Award committee as well as the travel and study abroad advisor of the relevant language section.
- Recipients must study abroad during the semester indicated by the specific award or scholarship (i.e. studying abroad in summer for the summer travel and study abroad scholarship.)
- Students must demonstrate that they have, at the time of application, the proficiency level required by the study abroad program in which they wish to participate. (For proficiency level requirements, please see the faculty advisor of the specific language program in which you are interested.)
- Overall GPA as well as the GPA of their language courses taken will be taken into account for scholarship and award selection.
- Awards must be used within one year.
- Previous recipients of the Diether Haenicke Scholarship for Study Abroad are ineligible for subsequent Diether Haenicke scholarships, but are eligible for Summer Travel and Study Abroad Scholarships.

### **Other factors being equal, preference will be given to those who:**

- have a declared major of French, German, Japanese, or Latin OR a declared minor of Arabic or Chinese.
- enroll in a WMU-sponsored program.
- enroll in a language-intensive program outside of the North-American continent.
- have studied within their particular language section for at least two semesters at WMU.
- intend to study in a full-year program.
- Previous recipients of the Diether Haenicke Scholarship for Study Abroad are ineligible for subsequent Diether Haenicke scholarships, but are eligible for Summer Travel and Study Abroad Scholarships.

Applicant Information				
Name (Last, First, Middle):				
WIN:		Phone:		
WMU Email:				@wmich.edu
Current address:				
City:		State:		Zip Code:
Permanent address (if different):				
City:		State:		Zip Code:
University Information				
Current classification:	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
Anticipated graduation date:				
Total earned credit hours:		Currently enrolled credit hours:		
Declared major:		Declared minor:		
Overall GPA at WMU:		Overall GPA in language:		
Have you previously received an award or scholarship from the Department of World Languages and Literatures?				
YES		NO		If yes, when?
Language Course Information				
List the college courses that you have completed in your language major/minor. Also list the language courses in which you are currently enrolled.				
Course Name	Semester Taken		Grade	
Study Abroad Information				
Program in which you will enroll:				
Dates/Semester of Study Abroad:				
Required Supplemental Materials				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On a separate sheet, write a TYPED ESSAY, in English, of <u>300-500 words</u> stating your reasons for wishing to study abroad and indicate any qualifications that you feel have prepared you for study abroad.</li> <li>Please print an unofficial transcript from your GoWMU account.</li> <li>Please provide information about interview availability (class schedule, days available, etc.)</li> </ul>				

## Letters of Recommendation

Two letters of recommendation (not forms) should be sent directly by the recommenders to:

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At least one of these recommendations must come from faculty within the section of the language studied. Please list the names of your recommenders and the department or company associated with any recommender.

Name	Department

## After Application Submission

- ┌ An interview with the award committee may be required. If needed, interviews will be held for finalists within two weeks of the application deadline. Any student selected for an interview will be contacted by the department via phone or WMU email.
- ┌ Results will be announced by the Department of World Languages and Literatures as soon as possible following applicant interviews.
- ┌ Any funds accepted by the student which are not subsequently used for study abroad in an approved program must be returned to the department.
- ┌ Based on your individual financial situation, the Office of Financial Aid will determine whether these funds will go toward payment of any outstanding bills, the reduction of pre-existing student loans, or disbursed to you.
- ┌ *If you are not selected for one award or scholarship, you will automatically be considered for the other awards and scholarships offered by the department.*

**Questions? Contact Dr. David Kutzko, Chair of the Department of World Languages and Literatures, at [david.kutzko@wmich.edu](mailto:david.kutzko@wmich.edu)**