MTSU EDUCATION ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship Application Deadlines
Winter term 2014-15……..**Wednesday, September 24th, 2014**
Spring semester 2015………...**Thursday, October 16th, 2014**
Late applications are not considered.

Eligibility Requirements: Students must meet ALL criteria for application to be considered.
1. Minimum OVERALL GPA requirement of 2.800 for undergraduates; 3.300 for graduates (GPA requirements are FIRM)
2. Must be enrolled at MTSU in the academic semester *prior* to the education abroad program
3. Must be enrolled at MTSU at the time of applying for the scholarship, meaning the deadline listed above
4. Must have completed a full-time term (12 credit hours for undergrad; 9 credit hours for grad; GA/GTA's should contact the Office of EA for credit hour requirement) at MTSU *before applying* for a scholarship
5. Must select a program that will end before graduation
6. Must receive academic credit (a minimum of one hour) for program
7. Must be an MTSU degree-seeking student
8. May apply only once if participating on academic year program (prior to the start of the first semester abroad)
9. Must submit a COMPLETE application (Cover Sheet, Application, & Essay)
10. Must follow essay requirements and receive sufficient points in order to receive a scholarship award
11. Must complete an MTSU Education Abroad Program Evaluation upon return

Application & Essay Instructions

1. All information in all sections of the application MUST be typed (with the exception of the required student's original signature and date on the Cover Sheet).

2. The essay must be:
- Typed
- At least one page, but may not exceed two pages (print single sided only)
- Double-spaced in Times New Roman size 12 font with 1 inch margins
- The student's name should NOT be on the essay, but the student's M# should be typed at the top of each page of the essay.
- It will be assumed that ALL applicants a) strongly wish to study abroad b) will greatly benefit from their experience and c) need financial support. Your score will be negatively affected by repeating or restating these concepts.
- Student's essays are graded by MTSU Faculty members and receive a score between 1 – 5. *If a student's average essay score is a ZERO, s/he will not qualify for an award.*
- Choose ONE of the following topics and type Topic A or Topic B at the top of the essay.
  Topic A: Please describe what would be your ideal education abroad experience AND focus specifically on how it would benefit you in your future vocation or chosen field.
  Topic B: Tell us about how you might like to make a positive impact in the world through your education abroad experience. Your answer should relate to your intended area of study.

3. Students must submit a COMPLETE application to the Office of Education Abroad, Peck Hall, Room 207 by 4:30 p.m. on the published deadlines. Late or incomplete applications are NOT accepted or considered.

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MTSU EDUCATION ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP COVER SHEET

Full Name (Last, First & Middle):_____

I hereby affirm that all of the information provided in this application to be true and to the best of my knowledge; I understand that any false information given will result in loss of scholarship opportunity. I have read all of the information provided to me in this application form and have contacted the Office of Education Abroad with all of my questions and points of clarification. I understand that my behavior abroad is representative of MTSU and any behavioral issues may result in disciplinary action, including the revocation of this scholarship. I understand that this application is only valid for the one study abroad program I have listed and for the one term I have indicated.

Signature _____ Date _____

While not required, the Office of Education Abroad would appreciate your assistance upon return if you receive a scholarship. Which one of these options would you prefer?

Classroom Presentation
Pre-departure Orientation Panel
Study Abroad Fair
Photo Submission

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Students: Please type in answers to all questions.

Personal Details:

MTSU ID# (M number): _____

Current status: Freshman   Sophomore   Junior   Senior   Graduate

Current Overall GPA, out to 3 decimals: _____

MTSU Major(s): _____
MTSU Minor(s): _____

Are you a degree-seeking MTSU student?   Yes   No

Have you ever participated in an education abroad program?   Yes   No
        If yes, when and where? _____

Have you previously received an MTSU Education Abroad scholarship?   Yes   No
        If yes, which term and year? _____

When is your intended graduation date (month, year)? _____

Current Contact Information:

MTSU email: _____ @mtmail.mtsu.edu
Alternate email: _____
Primary phone: _____ Alternate phone: _____
Local Address (Street and No.): _____
City: _____   State: _____ Zip: _____

Program Information:

This application is only to be used for students participating on EA programs which take place during one of the following terms. Please indicate the term for which you plan to study abroad:

    Winter 14-15 term   Spring 2015 semester

Dates of Program (mm/dd/yy): From: _____ To: _____

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APPLICATION (Continued)

Which education abroad program do you plan to apply? (If you are unsure, contact Education Abroad!)

MTSU Faculty-Led, Faculty member's name: _____

CCSA   GlobaLinks   ISA   ISEP   KIIS   CIEE   Learning Abroad Center, UM

TNCIS   USAC   MTSU Exchange   Salford, MTSU Affiliate   COST

Non-MTSU Affiliated*

*Please provide name of the program: _____

*Have you submitted the Non-MTSU Affiliated petition packet to the Office of EA?_____

*The Non-MTSU Affiliated Program Petition packet must be submitted separately to EA by the deadline listed on the packet and approved by the Vice-Provost for International Affairs **before** the student can participate or receive an award..*

NOTE: Students going abroad to pursue independent studies or receiving the Confucius Institute scholarship do not qualify for the MTSU EA scholarship.

In which country (countries) will you study? _____

How many credit hours are you planning to attempt? _____

Will you receive other funding/scholarships awarded to you towards this education abroad program? (Please do not include your normal financial aid and/or personal funds).   Yes   No

If yes, how much is this award? _____

Please provide the source of this funding/scholarship: _____

Do you meet all 11 eligibility criteria for the MTSU EA Scholarship?   Yes   No
If no, please be aware that your application will NOT be considered for a scholarship award.

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