



Study Away Scholarship Application - Spring 2022

This is a single application for one or all of the following Manchester University donor-supported study away scholarships: Kauffman Award, Miller Study Abroad Scholarship, and the Manchester University Study Away Award.

The purpose of these scholarships is to increase opportunities for MU undergraduate students to study internationally or in other programs in the United States. All continuing MU students are eligible to apply during this annual award cycle for the upcoming academic year. Awards normally range from \$500-1500 and are in addition to and beyond the usual student aid and normal finances of the student. Coordinated by the Office of Study Away, with Office of Academic Affairs support, we are immensely grateful for the support of our generous donors.

Kauffman Award

In honor of the memory of Manchester University graduate Bruce Kauffman, who was a scholar, musician, and financier, a generous benefactor and Bruce's college roommate, established an endowment fund for Manchester University students who choose to study away, either internationally or in an approved program in the U.S., during their undergraduate years. The fund makes off-campus study possible for students who are unable to pursue coursework of this nature due to financial constraints. This award is particularly relevant for students who have dreamed of studying abroad, or of participating in an off-campus program in the U.S., but who did not believe it would be possible to do so. All Manchester University undergraduate students are eligible, with preference given to provide financial support for strong academic students in the humanities.

Miller Study Abroad Scholarship

Because of their interest in international cultures, Ed and Martha Miller established this scholarship to aid students who desire to study and learn abroad. Any Manchester University undergraduate student enrolled full-time who plans to study abroad for a year, semester, or January Session is eligible, with preference given to students majoring in the natural and health sciences.

Manchester University Study Away Award

Through the growing generosity of additional donors, many of whom are Manchester alumni and former study away students themselves with experiences ranging from January Sessions to full academic year study abroad programs, this additional funding is available for all types of study away. Open to all undergraduate students in all academic programs, these funds are provided to ease financial burdens of off-campus study both internationally and in the U.S., and to increase study away opportunities for Manchester University students. Selected recipients of these funds will be named "Manchester University Study Away Award" winners.

APPLICATION form: *(Complete as a WORD document.)*

Personal information:

Name: _____

Hometown: _____

Academic information:

Current grade level: (FY, Soph., Jr., Sr.) _____

Expected date of graduation: Month _____ Year _____

G.P.A.: _____

Academic Advisor: _____

Success Advisor: _____

References:

List two MU faculty or staff members, whom you have asked to serve as a reference for you, and whom you have chosen to speak on your behalf, if contacted. These may be the same or different from the individuals listed above. (They may be a faculty member, success advisor, work supervisor, coach, music director, campus pastor, resident hall director, club advisor, mentor, or other MU employee who knows you well. References should not be another student or a relative.)

1. Name _____ Role: _____

2. Name _____ Role: _____

Financial information:

Listed cost of the study away program: \$ _____

Total cost of the program (if different), including addtl. required costs: \$ _____

Scholarship amount you are requesting: \$ _____

Scholarship information:

Criteria for the individual scholarships vary, but you may apply for more than one. Check all scholarships for which you wish to be considered:

_____ Kauffman Award

_____ Miller Study Abroad Scholarship

_____ Manchester University Study Away Scholarship

List any previous or current MU study away scholarships you have received (if applicable):

Program information:

Academic period of the study away program for which you are applying:

_____ Fall semester, Year _____

_____ January Session, Year _____

_____ Spring semester, Year _____

_____ Full-academic year, Year _____

ESSAYS: There are 2 (two) focused essays:

Essay 1: Personal Statement of Purpose: (500 word max.)

Tell your story. Why does this study away opportunity matter to you? What do you hope to learn personally from this experience? How will this opportunity be a transformative experience for you? Why is financial assistance necessary? What more would you like the scholarship reviewers to know about you when considering your application?

Essay 2: Academic Statement of Purpose: (500 word max.)

Describe the study away program. What do you know about the study away program? State specific information about the program (ex. location, length, leadership, coursework and credits, objectives, costs, etc.). How does this study away program align with your educational and professional goals? What do you hope to learn from this academic program for your future? Why should a donor support you in this experience?

Please read these Scholarship Considerations, Selection Criteria, and Award Conditions:

By submitting this application, I understand the following principles and conditions:

I understand that some donor scholarships are primarily need based, some are merit based, some have preferences for general or specific fields of academic study, or for length of program. Furthermore, I understand that the evaluating committee, overseen by the Office of Study Away and the Office of Academic Affairs, will be mindful in considering applications for these available resources, making the best scholarship matches where possible, supporting donors' goals, and with an overarching goal of assisting and increasing MU students' access and ability to finance study away opportunities.

I understand that my academic, financial, and student conduct record may be considered as part of this application process where appropriate. This may include my grade point average, expected family contribution, financial and payment history, and student judicial record, as applicable.

Furthermore, I understand that I must receive, and maintain, institutional clearance and be in good standing in order to participate as a scholarship recipient, and thereby an MU ambassador, in an MU off-campus academic program.

I understand that preference may be given to individuals who do not already receive significant MU financial scholarship aid (ex. full-tuition scholarship, et al.), or who have already received an additional MU study away scholarship (ex. Robert McFadden admissions scholarship), or who receive a significant federal study away scholarship (ex. Gilman, Freeman); and, if awarded a significant financial scholarship after receiving one of these scholarships from this application, I may be asked to waive receipt of this year's award in order to support future MU student applicants.

I understand that receiving an award does not guarantee that the future study away program will be possible. If changes are necessary due to unexpected external situations (ex. course or program cancellations, health conditions, COVID levels, US State Department levels, natural disasters, political, military actions, etc.). Furthermore, I understand that proposed study away plans can change either by the provider (MU faculty-led program, study away provider, et al.) or necessary changes by the student award recipient. If any of these changes occur, I will be in contact with the Office of Study Away to determine any appropriate changes.

I recognize the generosity of donors to support Manchester University students in these exceptional opportunities and should I have any questions or concerns about this information, I will contact the Director of the Office of Study Away for further clarification and full understanding.

Full name of applicant (typed): _____

As an application submitted by computer, I agree that this serves as an e-signature: ____ Yes

Date completed application submitted: _____

HOW TO SUBMIT your application:

- Complete all pages as a single WORD document.
- Name your document file as follows:
 - LASTNAME Firstname 2022 (Ex. ROHRER Thelma 2022)
- Submit your application as an attachment to an e-mail message and send to:
 - **Office of Academic Affairs at: OAA@manchester.edu**
 - **by Monday, April 25th at 5 pm.**

Questions? Contact Thelma Rohrer, Director, Office of Study Away, tsrohrer@manchester.edu.

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