

Scholarship Resource Center

E-Newsletter - Fall 2009



Welcome back to the beginning of another school year! We hope that you will find time to stop by Student Financial Services or visit our Web site and start thinking about applying for scholarship opportunities that are available to you from organizations outside of the University. This e-newsletter and our Web site will assist you in your search for scholarships throughout the year.

Remember that most scholarships have a deadline date, with a limited amount of time to apply. Many of the scholarships have deadlines in the fall, while others are at the beginning of the year. Between now and the end of the year, we will update our information on a weekly basis, so start your outside scholarship search early!

Renewing your Outside Scholarship

Is the outside scholarship you received renewable? If there is any question whether your scholarship has renewal provisions, talk to your scholarship sponsor. You may have to:

Submit a renewal application. Scholarship providers may require you to submit a new application each academic year.

Maintain your grade point average (GPA). You may need to maintain a minimum GPA to remain eligible.

Complete the courses you need. You may be required to fulfill certain academic requirements, such as a certain number of credits or specific courses.

Keep track of your hours/credits. Scholarships frequently require you to be considered a full-time student.

Essay Contests

The SRC has many scholarships that are available just by writing an essay on a selected topic chosen by the scholarship provider. The following are some examples:

Ayn Rand's "Atlas Shrugged" Essay Contest—Compete for an award prize of \$5,000 by submitting an essay on Atlas Shrugged. Visit the Web site for one of three essay topics regarding this objectivist's masterpiece! The scholarship deadline is September 17th and is open to all students. <http://www.aynrand.org/contests>

\$5,000 All-Ink Scholarship—This scholarship is open to U.S. citizens with a minimum 2.5 GPA. Students must write a 50 to 200 word essay on who has had the greatest impact on their life, and a 50 to 200 word essay on what you hope to achieve in your personal and professional life after completing college. <http://www.all-ink.com/scholarship.html>

Visit the SRC on-line to view other scholarship opportunities.

Scholarships for Study Abroad

If you are considering studying abroad, you should start researching possible scholarships at least two years prior to your semester abroad. As a study abroad participant, you have the opportunity to apply for additional scholarships through outside sources.



The Gilman International Scholarship Program, offers grants for U.S. citizen undergraduate students of limited financial means to pursue academic studies abroad. Over 1,200 scholarships of up to \$5,000 will be awarded this academic year for U.S. citizen undergraduates to study abroad. Award amounts will vary depending on the length of study and student need with the average award being \$4,000. Undergraduate students who are receiving federal Pell Grant funding are eligible.

Students who apply for and receive the Gilman Scholarship to study abroad are now eligible to receive an additional \$3,000 Critical Need Language Supplement from the Gilman Program for a total possible award of up to \$8,000.

Students participating in study abroad programs during the Spring 2010 semester must submit an application by October 6th. Visit http://www.iie.org/Content/NavigationMenu/Programs7/Gilman_Awards/Home8/Home.htm for information.

For more information on other grants available to help you study abroad, contact Overseas Programs at (314) 935-5958 or visit their Web site <http://artsci.wustl.edu/~overseas/students/scholarships.html>

Overseas Programs would like to know your thought about studying abroad. Please take a very quick survey by clicking on the following link: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=HvVmZIW6PTSfVlCITxzcw_3d_3d

The survey has only 3 questions and should take you less than 5 minutes to complete. It is anonymous and the information will not be released.

 Washington University in St. Louis

Questions? Contact Wade or Vicki

by e-mail at Wade_Charleston@wustl.edu or Victoria_Mueller@wustl.edu,

by phone at (888) 547-6670 or (314) 935-5900, or

stop by Student Financial Services in North Brookings Hall, Room 75.

ScholarshipResourceCenter.wustl.edu