

2017-2018 REVISION REQUEST REGARDING STUDY ABROAD AND EARLY FALL START

The financial aid office attempts to meet your total academic year educational costs, less the student (or family) contribution with available aid programs. From time to time, students incur cost(s) beyond the standard budget such as additional expenses associated with studying abroad. If you will incur study abroad expenses during the 2017-2018 school year that will exceed the standard budget used by our office, you may complete this request. Our office will review your request to determine whether we can use the additional expenses to award you additional financial aid. Please note that not all expenses are allowable and additional aid is usually in the form of student loans. Be sure to respond to all appropriate questions.

The financial aid office can take into consideration any amount over the standard budget for the term of your experience. Some study abroad experiences are less expensive than our standard UW budget, so you may not see any difference in your award at all. Most programs, however, have higher costs. We may be able to offer student and/or parent loan funds for the difference between our standard cost and the actual cost of your experience. We cannot disburse financial aid funds before the published start date of a UW quarter. Your program may start prior to the start of the UW quarter, in which case, your financial aid will not be available to you until after you have left the country. Although our office supports and encourages students who choose to participate in a study abroad experience, we do not have specific grant/scholarship funds to offer. Seattle and Bothell students can check with the UW Study Abroad Office regarding foreign study scholarship funds that may be available and Tacoma students can check with the Office of International Programs (OIP), but you should know that those funds are very limited.

If you are a Husky Promise student, please note that we cannot guarantee the cost of tuition during your study abroad experience through the Husky Promise. However, typically the grant funds you have been awarded will either not change, or may not change significantly. There are a few aid programs that we cannot offer to students during their study abroad experience. These are Tuition Exemption funds (through any source) and work study (except for the Rome site).

STUDY ABROAD/EXCHANGES:

We will only consider approved UW programs. Indicate the name of the program, the dates of participation and corresponding UW quarters and provide documentation of your costs. For most UW programs, budget costs are available from UW Study Abroad Office for Seattle and Bothell students. Please review the UW Study Abroad Office's web site for more useful information in regard to your financial aid: <http://www.washington.edu/studyabroad/>. For Tacoma students, please check with OIP <http://www.tacoma.uw.edu/international-programs/international-programs>. Students may have limited eligibility in certain aid programs (Tuition Exemption and Work Study) while participating in a study abroad/exchange program.

EARLY FALL START EXPLORATION SEMINAR:

An Early Fall Start Exploration Seminar is where you go on your experience before the start of the fall quarter. Follow the instructions above to have your program costs considered. You will not be registered for the program until fall quarter. This means that your financial aid funds will not be available to you until the fall quarter begins - typically after you have returned from your experience. You will need to be prepared for this when financing your Early Fall Start experience. The program fees are usually due before you participate - typically during the prior spring quarter. You have the option of taking out a short term loan for the spring quarter to pay toward your program costs. If you borrow a short term loan in the spring it will have a summer due date. Therefore, you will need to apply for a one-time extension on that loan if you do not want to repay it until your fall financial aid is available. You may also check with our office in spring to see if you have any unused portion of your student and/or parent loan funds.

