

Virginia Daniel Weir / Guy H. Wells Student Study Abroad Scholarship Funds

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Instructions: Funding available for study abroad includes the Virginia Daniel Weir and the Guy H. Wells Study Abroad Scholarships. Applications should be submitted to the International Education Center **by February 1** for Summer Semester, Fall Semester, and Academic Year Abroad Programs, and **by October 1** for Spring Semester Abroad Programs.

Be sure you have submitted your study abroad program application and deposit to the International Education Center. Scholarships will not be awarded to applicants who have not applied to their study abroad programs.

In addition, please submit the following required items. These items must all be submitted together, not piecemeal. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

1. Weir / Wells application;
2. An essay of **no more than** 300 words (1/2 page) describing your study abroad program, how it fits your course of study, and how it will help you develop a sense of civic and global responsibility, emphasizing the potential cross-cultural elements of your experience abroad;
3. Two Weir/Wells recommendation forms submitted by GCSU faculty who can comment on your academic and cultural strengths and weaknesses. References should return the recommendation forms to you in sealed and signed envelopes so you can submit them together with the application. ***Note: Recommendations in any format other than the attached form will not be accepted.***

Consideration will be given to the student's academic record, proposed course of study abroad, the program's cross-cultural component, and the two faculty recommendations. ***Applicants must be students in good standing at GCSU and generally have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA. Please note: A small number of grants may be awarded to worthy students with less than a 3.0 GPA.***

Last Name	First	Middle	Social Security Number
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Address to which notification will be sent / P.O. Box	Current Telephone Number
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City	State	Zip Code	Date of Birth: Month/Day/Year
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Email Address (print legibly) _____

I am a (freshman/sophomore/junior/senior/graduate): _____ My major is/will be: _____

Describe significant extracurricular activities and interests: _____

Have you studied abroad previously? Yes No If so, where? _____

Where will you go on study abroad? _____

What will you study on study abroad? _____

What dates will you be away? _____

Do you work currently? Yes No Where and how many hours per week? _____

Do you receive federal financial aid? Yes No Can the Financial Aid Office release this info to us? Yes No

Provide an estimated itemized budget:

Note: The estimate you provide below will not affect the scholarship awarded you, but members of the International Education Committee want to see that you understand the full cost of the program and have begun to identify other sources of support.

Program Registration	_____
Tuition if not included in registration	_____
Lodging if not included in registration	_____
Meals if not included in registration	_____
Airfare if not included in registration	_____
Other transportation not included in registration	_____
Books & Supplies	_____
Passport and related expenses	_____
Other	_____
Total Program Budget	_____

Note: Because of limited resources and high demand, the Weir and Wells Funds will be unable to pay the full cost of any study abroad program. You need to begin to plan other sources of funding: personal earnings, federal loans, family gifts, other scholarships, contributions from community organizations, etc.

Please list other sources and estimated amounts of support: _____

Names of Recommenders: 1. _____ 2. _____

Applicant’s Right to Access & Certification of Accuracy: A student applying for a GC&SU Scholarship has the option to waive his/her right of access to recommendation or evaluation letters. Upon the student’s execution of such a written waiver, recommendation or evaluation letters shall be completely confidential. A student waiving his/her right of access shall be notified, upon request, of the names of all individuals providing the letters or statements, which shall be used only for the purpose for which they were originally intended. In the absence of such permission, the student will have access to recommendation or evaluation letters written about him/her and placed in the records. *A written waiver is not required as a condition of receiving any scholarship.* If you waive this right, notify the person(s) from whom you have requested a recommendation that you have done so.

I do do not freely and voluntarily waive my right to any information contained in any recommendation and agree that the statement shall remain confidential. I have notified the recommender(s) of this waiver.

_____ Student’s signature	_____ Date
_____ Academic Advisor’s signature	_____ Date
_____ Assistant Vice President for International Education’s Signature	_____ Date

Note: *Within 6 months of return from abroad, scholarship recipients are expected to speak to campus groups, community organizations and/or classes, to assist with study abroad information tables, and/or to write for community publications about their experiences.*