



Gilman Scholarship*

Steps to Applying

1. Read the Instructions: Read all the information on the Gilman website, gilmanscholarship.org, for eligibility and application instructions. The website also provides tips for successful applications, including instructional videos and webinars.

2. Start an Application: Register for an account at gilmanapplication.iie.org and begin the application process, but DO NOT SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION YET. Also make sure that you've started an Etown Study Abroad Application, prior to applying for the Gilman. You need to request the Vice President of Student Life Approval prior to the scholarship deadline, so the Study Abroad Advisor can confirm you're in good standing with the College when certifying your finished application.

3. Collect your Transcripts: Download an unofficial copy of your Etown transcript from JayWeb or order your official transcript from Registration and Records. You can find instructions for ordering a transcript here: <https://www.etown.edu/offices/registration-records/transcripts.aspx>. You will also need to request an unofficial or official transcript from any other institutions you have attended during your undergraduate studies. Upload a PDF copy of all transcripts to the Gilman application website before the deadline.

4. Submit Essays for Edits and Feedback: Optional, but highly recommended - Submit your essay drafts to the Study Abroad Office (studyabroad@etown.edu) for editing and feedback. You may also submit your drafts to the Director of Prestigious Scholarships, Jean-Paul Benowitz (benowitzj@etown.edu), Etown's Writing Wing (learningzone@etown.edu), and/or other trusted writing advisors. Please allow time for several rounds of edits before the application deadline.

5. Select your Certifying Advisors: Select Jean-Paul Benowitz as the certifying Study Abroad Advisor and Jennifer Behmer as the certifying Financial Aid Advisor.

6. Submit Your Application: Submit your electronic application by the posted deadline (preferably several days before the deadline). After submitting your application, please email Jean-Paul Benowitz (benowitzj@etown.edu) and Jennifer Behmer (behmerj@etown.edu) to notify them that your application is ready to be certified.

2019-20 Gilman Scholarship Highlights:

- Since the program's inception in 2001, 26% of all applicants have been awarded a Gilman scholarship
- In 2019-20, Gilman Scholars studied or interned in 106 countries around the world
- 57% of Gilman Scholars were first-generation college students
- 56% of Gilman Scholars studied a language while abroad
- 80% of Gilman Scholars acquired job-related skills
- 29% of Gilman Scholars were STEM majors

Recent Etown Highlights:

- In the past four years (2017 - 2021), 43% of Etown's eligible, submitted applicants have been awarded a Gilman Scholarship. Majority of these recipients worked with the Study Abroad Advisor and/or Director of Prestigious Scholarships on their essays, prior to submission.