

# International Education Grants

*Supporting international education activities of Honors students*



University Honors Program International Study Grants

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## Honors Program

### **GOAL:**

To provide Honors students with funding to help them successfully complete an international program of study. We have two categories of funding, one for those Honors students with demonstrated financial need ("Director's Grants") and a second for all Honors students ("Program Grants").

### **FUNDING:**

We know that an international education experience requires a substantial financial commitment, with many of these expenses incurred early on in the application process. Although you may request funding for a variety of items, preference will be given to requests that demonstrate a need for these up-front costs. Such costs include application fees and the costs associated with obtaining a passport and/or a visa.

To receive an international study grant, you must be enrolled for course credit in an NAU-approved international study program.

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

To participate in this program, you must be a full time undergraduate student in good standing in the NAU Honors Program during the term(s) you receive funding. For summer international study you must be enrolled to return to NAU as an undergraduate student in the fall. We will not award funds to support international study after you have graduated from NAU. We expect you to be enrolled for course credit during your international study experience. For the Director's grants, you must also have demonstrated financial need as determined by the Office of Financial Aid.

### **HOW TO APPLY:**

You must submit a proposal that contains the following five elements:

1. A completed cover sheet (available at [nau.edu/honors](http://nau.edu/honors) under the "Forms Center" in Current Student Resources).
2. A clear, concise, and convincing narrative that explains:
  - a. your intended program of study, including location, and potential courses;
  - b. how you have prepared for this experience;
  - c. why you decided on this particular program;

- d. how this international experience will benefit you educationally;
  - e. how you propose to use the funds; and
  - f. how the grant will help you successfully complete your program of study.
3. Documentation that you have
    - a. applied for an NAU-approved international program of study and
    - b. received preliminary approval for all courses, if any, you intend to use to fulfill any Honors Program requirement.
  4. If you are applying for a Director's grant, please indicate so on your proposal.

### **SUBMISSION:**

You must hand deliver your application to the Honors Office by November 1 for a Spring semester funding request. For a Fall semester, academic year, or summer funding, you must submit your funding request by April 1. You can find application materials at [nau.edu/honors](http://nau.edu/honors) under the "Forms Center" in Current Student Resources".

### **REVIEW PROCESS AND CRITERIA:**

We will first screen your proposal to make sure it contains all the items listed above. If it does not, we will not consider your proposal any further. After this screening, each proposal will receive an in-depth review by members of the Honors Program staff and faculty. We will evaluate your proposal in term of how well you have addressed all the required elements in your narrative. We have no "typical" amount of funding per student in mind because each program of study has different funding needs and you should develop a budget accordingly. However, initial anticipated amounts will most likely not exceed \$200.

### **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:**

You must submit a short report (2-3 pages) that evaluates your actual experience compared to what you thought would happen as described in your proposal.

You must also complete an oral presentation about your international study experience to an audience of Honors students. Such a presentation might include discussing your work in an Honors class (or classes) or at a seminar or at the Honors Symposium—or some combination of these venues.

In addition, you must be willing to have your report posted onto the Honors web site for others to view.