The APUE and OSA Research Study Abroad Program Scholarship provides financial support for undergraduate MSU students to participate in approved accredited study abroad programs that have an undergraduate research component. Applicants must be MSU undergraduate students with a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher at the time of application and have applied for a research study abroad program as described below. Students who do not meet the minimum GPA will not be considered. Applicants must also be undergraduates at the time of the study abroad program.

The study abroad program in which they participate:

- Must be credit granting and on the list of approved undergraduate research study abroad programs: studyabroad.isp.msu.edu/financing/scholarships/research.html
- Must include a research component, defined as including scholarly, creative, and artistic activities that lead to new knowledge, improve problem solving capabilities, offer original or historical theory and interpretation, and/or produce art or creative performances.
- Students participating in independent study projects must submit a letter or recommendation from their research mentor outlining, in detail, the research experience, purpose of the project, and any products the student will submit upon their return. Independent studies will be approved on a case by case basis. *Letters of recommendation must be submitted by the application deadline

Financial need is not a factor in awarding this scholarship.

To be considered, submit your application and essay to the MSU Office of Study Abroad by the following application deadlines:

- Friday, October 14, 2016, for fall 2016 or academic year 2016-17 programs
- Wednesday, March 1, 2017, for summer & fall 2017 programs

Scholarships of $500 will be awarded to recipients chosen by a scholarship review committee. Winners will be announced by Friday, March 31, 2017, for summer, fall and academic year programs.

If you have questions about the application process or award, contact Lori Thomas, MSU Office of Study Abroad, 517-432-4347 or thoma657@msu.edu.

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Undergraduate Research Study Abroad Program Scholarship Application

Your completed application must include:

- this completed form;
- a double-spaced one- to two-page essay (no more than 600 words) in which you address the following questions:
  - Describe the undergraduate research component available on your study abroad program.
  - What specifically will you be doing (i.e., what is your role) in the research or creative experience?
  - What competencies or skills do you hope to gain by engaging in the research or creative experience?
  - Describe any final products produced for the research component (e.g., in country presentation, presentation in U.S., poster, written report).
  - How will your participation in the research program help you reach your personal, academic and professional goals?
  - **Note:** If you do not have specific details about the research you will engage in, please describe the types of projects that are usually available on the program and which ones you are hoping to pursue.

Complete and return this form to the Office of Study Abroad by the appropriate **deadline:** Friday, October 14, 2016, for fall 2016 or academic year 2016-17 programs, Wednesday, March 1, 2017, for summer & fall 2017 programs

Name: _______________________________ E-mail: _______________________________

PID: ____________________________ Major: _______________________________

Class standing (soph/jr/sr) at the time of the program: _______________________________

Current overall GPA at the time of application*: _______________________________

* If you have less than one year of full-time study at MSU, please name your previous school or institution and GPA: _______________________________________________________________________

Name of study abroad program: _______________________________________________________________________

Semester and dates of program: _______________________________________________________________________

City and country location of program: _______________________________________________________________________

Return this completed scholarship form and your one-page essay to:

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