

introduction

For many students, a study abroad experience is only possible with financial assistance. Each year CIEE awards scholarships and grants to students who plan to study overseas. Please read the eligibility criteria and the application procedures for each scholarship carefully.

Competition for the CIEE scholarships and grants is keen and the quality of the materials submitted is very important. The scholarship application procedure is entirely independent from the CIEE program application.

Students should discuss all financial aid planning with their campus financial aid and study abroad advisor. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that their scholarship application is complete.

how do i apply?

A complete scholarship application contains the following items and must be submitted together:

- * A complete scholarship application and financial aid administrator form
- * A 500-word, typed scholarship essay that includes:
 - The CIEE program, location, and term(s) for which you are applying
 - The names of every CIEE scholarship for which you are applying
 - Your objectives for your time overseas with CIEE
 - Details of your financial need and how the scholarship will assist you in meeting your individual goals
 - Describe any extenuating circumstances that may be relevant in the consideration of your scholarship application
- * Applicants should also review the eligibility requirements for each award as there may be additional factors specific to the award to include in your essay. Failure to include these additional requirements in your statement could jeopardize your scholarship application.

Scholarship applicants must also have a complete program application on file with CIEE by the scholarship deadlines in order to be considered. Students need only to submit one application, even if they are applying for more than one scholarship; however, only one scholarship will be awarded.

deadlines

Complete scholarship applications for Winter, Spring, and Calendar Year programs must be received in the Portland, Maine office no later than the preceding November 1.

Complete scholarship applications for Summer, Fall, and Academic Year programs must be received in the Portland, Maine office no later than the preceding April 1.

Late or incomplete scholarship applications will not be considered. Scholarship deadlines are independent of program deadlines and will not be extended.

return requirement

Upon returning from abroad, all CIEE scholarship or grant recipients must submit a one-page typed essay describing how the program allowed them to interact with the host culture, how the program enhanced their language skills and understanding of cultural and social issues, and how the program activities related to their future academic and/or career goals. Students are encouraged to be creative in their presentation of this report. Please note that this mandatory essay and all other materials submitted for this report become the property of CIEE and may be used in print and/or electronic publications. Please send to: mystory@ciee.org.

Students who are awarded the U.S. Dept. of Education Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad Scholarship for programs in China have additional return requirements as noted in the scholarship description.

selection

In addition to the scholarship form and essay, applications are reviewed based upon the information provided in the program application, including the personal statement, academic information, transcripts, and evaluations. Financial need and academic excellence are strongly considered.

notification of award status

Students selected for awards will be notified of their status by e-mail approximately four weeks after the application deadline. A list of awardees will be posted on www.ciee.org at this time as well.

the ping foundation

From 1993–2004 Dr. Charles Ping served as the Chairman of the CIEE Board of Directors. To honor Dr. Ping's service to CIEE, the organization established a permanent endowment in his name: The Ping Foundation. The Foundation aims to serve the CIEE mission through three activities; advocacy for international educational exchange; research designed to advance the field of international educational exchange; and funding of scholarship programs.

The John E. Bowman, Robert B. Bailey, CIEE-International Study Programs, and the Jennifer Ritzmann Scholarships are funded by the Ping Foundation.

john e. bowman travel grant

The Bowman Travel Grants were established in memory of John E. Bowman, Executive Director of CIEE from 1952 to 1979. These awards provide assistance to students participating in CIEE study abroad programs in non-traditional locations and are intended to help defray the cost of travel.

eligibility

Applicants must fulfill all of the following criteria:

- * The applicant must attend a CIEE Member or CIEE Academic Consortium member institution. For lists of CIEE Member or CIEE Academic Consortium member institutions, please visit our website at www.ciee.org.
- * The applicant must plan to study at a CIEE Study Center in a non-traditional destination. Regions currently eligible include: Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, and Latin America

awards

Beginning in spring 2009, all awards will be made in the amount of \$1,000 and are issued directly to the student, after all other program fees have been paid, to help defray the cost of travel.

For students whose school is billed for all fees, the award will be released within six weeks of award notification.

robert b. bailey scholarship

The Robert B. Bailey Scholarship is intended to promote the participation in CIEE programs of individuals or members of groups that have traditionally been underrepresented in study abroad, especially ethnic minority students.

These awards are named in honor of Robert B. Bailey III, former member of the CIEE Board of Directors and Professor of Sociology and Director of Study Abroad at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

eligibility

Available to CIEE Study Center applicants only. The applicant must be self-identified as belonging to an underrepresented group.

In your Scholarship Essay, please answer the following additional questions:

* Please specify the group to which you belong and which you believe is underrepresented in study abroad. How does your membership in that underrepresented group factor into your choice of program/destination?

* As a member of an underrepresented group, how do you plan to integrate this international experience into future academic, community, professional, and extracurricular activities?

awards

Beginning in spring 2009, award amounts are \$1,500 for semester or yearlong programs and \$500 for summer programs. The award is applied toward the applicant's CIEE program fee.

CIEE-international study programs (CIEE-ISP) scholarships

In an effort to make study abroad opportunities available to the widest possible audience, CIEE offers scholarships each year to students who demonstrate both academic excellence and financial need.

eligibility

Available to CIEE Study Center applicants from CIEE Member or CIEE Academic Consortium Member institutions only. For a list of member institutions, please visit our website at www.ciee.org.

awards

Beginning in spring 2009, award amounts are \$2,000 for semester or yearlong programs, and \$1,000 for summer programs. The award is applied toward the applicant's CIEE program fee.

Jennifer Ritzmann Scholarship

The Jennifer Ritzmann Scholarship is named in honor of Jennifer Ritzmann, former participant of the CIEE Study Center in Monteverde, Costa Rica.

This \$1,000 scholarship is available to students applying to the Monteverde, Costa Rica semester program ONLY. Interested applicants should submit a creative scholarship essay. Please go to www.ciee.org for examples of essays from past winners and more information about this award.

U.S. Department of Education, International Education Program Service—Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad (GPA) Project: Advanced Chinese Language Training Programs for CIEE Study Centers for Chinese Studies

Please note: This award is based on funding from the U.S. Department of Education. Should this grant fail to be renewed for the academic year 2009–2010, a notice will be placed on our website at www.ciee.org.

The mission of the U.S. Department of Education, International Education Programs Service (IEPS) is to meet the national needs for expertise and competence in foreign languages and area or international studies. IEPS administers 14 international education programs. These programs are complementary in nature and designed to benefit a variety of audiences through training programs, research, start-up or enhancement projects, and fellowships. Under the Fulbright-Hays Act, IEPS administers four overseas programs that provide a variety of grants to individuals and institutions of higher education for projects in foreign languages and area studies.

The CIEE scholarship program was created with funding from the U.S. Department of Education Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad to provide scholarship funding to qualified CIEE program participants that intend to continue advanced studies in the Chinese language and pursue a career in academia or public affairs following their semester or year with CIEE in China or Taiwan. Participants of advanced language programs offered by the CIEE Study Centers at Peking University (Beijing), East China Normal University (Shanghai), Nanjing University (Nanjing), and National Chengchi University (Taipei) are encouraged to apply for these awards.

eligibility

Available to CIEE Study Center applicants for the programs in Beijing, Shanghai, Nanjing, and Taipei only. In addition, applicants must:

- * Be a U.S. citizen or U.S. permanent resident. Proof of this status is required as part of the application for this scholarship (copy of a U.S. passport, birth certificate, or green card).
- * Be a junior, senior, or graduate student enrolled in an institution of higher learning who plans to pursue advanced study or a career related to China in the areas of academia or public affairs.
- * Have completed two years, or the equivalent, of college-level Mandarin Chinese language training by the beginning of the program. Equivalency may be based on a language professor's evaluation or a language proficiency exam score.
- * Demonstrate high merit.
- * Demonstrate financial need.

selection

Applicants are reviewed based upon the information provided in the scholarship application, scholarship essay and Scholarship Application and Financial Information form, financial need, academic achievement, and Study Program Application.

- * As part of the Scholarship Essay, students should also explain how this scholarship will assist in the pursuit of advanced study or a career related to China in the areas of academia or public affairs.

* In addition to the CIEE Return Requirement for all CIEE scholarship awardees outlined above, awardees of the GPA grant will be contacted via email, during the semester or year abroad, with further information about submitting a report and evaluation of the program using the International Resource Information System (IRIS) from the U.S. Department of Education. This report is mandatory as part of being given this award, and the report and general evaluation of the grant program must be submitted within one month of the end date of the study abroad program.

awards

Awards vary in amount and are applied directly to the applicant's CIEE program fee. Past scholarship awards have ranged from \$1,000–\$8,000 for one term.

Peter Wollitzer Scholarships for Study in Asia

The Wollitzer Scholarships were established by the Ping Foundation in 2006 in memory of Peter Wollitzer, Regional Director at the university-wide office of the University of California Education Abroad Program. Peter had a long affiliation with CIEE and was a strong proponent of CIEE Study Centers around the world. He most recently was a member of the CIEE Academic Consortium Board. These awards provide assistance to students from CIEE Academic Consortium Board Member institutions who are participating in CIEE study abroad programs in Asia.

eligibility

Applicants must fulfill the following criteria:

- * The applicant must participate in a CIEE Study Center program in Asia. These include: Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- * The applicant must attend a CIEE Academic Consortium Board Member institution. Please view the website at www.ciee.org/study/scholarships.aspx for a current list of institutions.

awards

One award is made each semester in the amount of \$2,000 and two awards of \$500 each are made for summer programs. The awards are applied to the applicant's CIEE program fee.

Completed applications should be sent to:

CIEE
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
300 Fore Street
Portland, ME 04101

If you'd prefer to fax your scholarship application, please fax to 207.221.1456



CIEE scholarship application and financial aid administrator form

Please print your responses in dark ink.

for the applicant to complete: only submit this form if you are applying for CIEE scholarships

instructions

Complete this section and submit this form to a Financial Aid Administrator from the college or university you currently attend. Please also provide the administrator with a description of the scholarship(s) for which you are applying, including eligibility, selection criteria, and a copy of the itemized program fees and estimated expenses as outlined by your study abroad office or as posted on www.ciee.org. Instruct the administrator to return this form to you at least a week before you plan to submit your completed application. Submit this completed form with your scholarship essay to the CIEE Portland, Maine office.

Applicant's Name: (please print)

First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

E-mail Address (required) _____ Home School (required) _____

Indicate term(s), year, and program for which you are applying (Note: for "term," please indicate the U.S. semester you wish to study abroad)

First Term Fall Spring Summer-session(s) if applicable _____ Winter

Term starting in 2009 2010

First Program Choice: _____ Second Program Choice: _____

Second Term Fall Spring Summer-session(s) if applicable _____ Winter

Term starting in 2009 2010

First Program Choice: _____ Second Program Choice: _____

Approximate Program Cost (CIEE Fees plus Estimated Additional Costs as listed on the CIEE website): \$ _____

Scholarships: Application for (Please check; you may apply for more than one scholarship if eligible. You will only be considered for scholarships you indicate below):

- John E. Bowman Travel Grant
- CIEE-International Study Programs (CIEE-ISP) Scholarship
- Jennifer Ritzmann Scholarship
- Robert B. Bailey Scholarship
- U.S. Department of Education Scholarship for Programs in China
- Peter Wollitzer Scholarship

By signing below, I give permission for my financial aid information to be released to the CIEE Scholarship Review Committee.

Applicant's signature: _____

for the financial aid administrator to complete

Information about CIEE

CIEE is a non-profit, non-governmental organization dedicated to helping people gain understanding, acquire knowledge, and develop skills for living in a globally independent and culturally diverse world. Founded in 1947, CIEE has developed a wide variety of programs and services primarily for students and teachers at secondary through university levels. Today, with a staff of professionals working in over 40 countries, CIEE has become one of the world's leading operators of international exchange programs and related services.

The individual named above is applying for a CIEE-administered scholarship for a study abroad program. Each year CIEE awards scholarships and grants to students who plan to study overseas. Students are encouraged to discuss all financial aid planning with their campus financial aid administrator and study abroad advisor. Please be advised that if awarded, the student's study abroad advisor will be copied on the notification e-mail. All CIEE scholarships (except the John E. Bowman Travel Grant) are awarded as program fee reductions, not award checks to students. Institutional awards should not be reduced if a student is granted a CIEE scholarship. In the event of an overaward, loans should be reduced before institutional funds are reduced.

Instructions

Discuss the CIEE Application with the applicant if necessary. Using the information provided by the student along with the most recent Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), Student Aid Report (SAR), and/or the CSS/Financial Aid Profile needs analysis report you have on file for the student, please complete the following questionnaire. If the student does not have a current FAFSA, SAR, or CSS/Profile on file, please use your best judgment in assessing the student's financial need.

Please return a copy of the completed questionnaire to the student. The student is required to remit this form along with all other application materials. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation. If you have any questions about CIEE scholarships, please contact CIEE at billing@ciee.org or 1.800.40.STUDY. You can also learn more about CIEE at www.ciee.org.

questionnaire to be completed by a financial aid administrator:

1. Did the student receive financial aid in the past academic year? Yes No Student's Name _____

2. How did the student finance his/her educational costs over the past year? Please be as specific as possible and include information from last year's FAFSA, SAR, or CSS/Profile if available.

3. Will the student be eligible to receive financial aid from your institution for his/her CIEE program through:

1. Scholarships Yes No 3. State Aid Yes No
 2. Institutional Aid Yes No 4. Federal Aid Yes No

4. How will your student be charged for participation on this CIEE program?

- CIEE Program Fee only either by your institution or by CIEE directly CIEE Program Fee plus Home School Administrative Fee
 Home School Tuition and Fees only Home School Tuition and Housing only Home School Tuition plus CIEE room/board or other partial program fee
 Other _____

5. Based on question #4, what is the estimated **direct** cost that will be billed to the student (**by your institution**) for participation on this CIEE program? \$ _____
 (Please do not include estimated overseas expenses nor any fees to be billed to the student by CIEE directly. If the student is not billed for any fees through your institution, please answer with 0.)

6. Please describe how the student will pay for the cost of this CIEE program. Please be as specific as possible. Estimates based on previous year's allocations, if noted as such, may also be listed if appropriate. Please do not list any scholarships the student has not yet been awarded.

Loans (please specify): _____ _____	Scholarships (please specify): _____ _____
Total Loan Amt. per term/semester \$ _____	Total Scholarship Amt. per term/semester \$ _____
Grants (please specify): _____ _____	Other Sources (please specify): _____ _____
Total Grant Amt. per term/semester \$ _____	Total Amt. of Other Aid per term/semester \$ _____

Expected Family Contribution (based on the FAFSA or other needs analysis):* 2008–2009 \$ _____ 2009–2010 if available \$ _____

*The EFC is required. If the applicant did not submit a FAFSA or other needs analysis for 08–09 or 09–10, write "NA" and be sure to complete number 7 below.

7. Based upon your assessment of the student's financial situation, please use the space below to provide any additional information that would be useful to the scholarship review committee in evaluating the student's scholarship request.

Please sign below and return this form to the applicant. The student is required to submit this form together with all other scholarship application materials.

Signature _____ Date _____

Mr. Ms. Dr. Prof. Other Name (please print) _____
First Middle Last

Title _____ Department _____

Institution _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip/Postal Code _____ Country _____

Office Phone _____ Fax Number _____

E-mail _____