

Wisconsin Grants for Study Abroad SUMMER 2009 AND FALL 2009

The Wisconsin study abroad grant provides funding for qualifying UWM students to help defray the cost of study abroad. Funding is contingent upon state budget legislation, so may not be available if the program is not funded. The amount of funding awarded per student differs from year to year based on the number of qualified applicants. Students participating in semester- and year-long programs receive more than students participating in short-term summer, UWinterIM, and spring break or studio programs. The maximum possible award is \$2,000, with an average award of approximately \$1,000. Because it is a need-based program, meeting application requirements for the grant does not guarantee an award.

To qualify for a Wisconsin study abroad grant you must:

- be a Wisconsin resident;
- be enrolled in a bachelor's degree program (this must be your first bachelor's degree); and
- participate in a UWM-sponsored study abroad program.

Applicant eligibility is determined by the Office of Overseas Programs and Partnerships. UWM's Department of Financial Aid, Student Employment, & Military Education Benefits evaluates applicants' financial need and makes the actual grant awards.

Summer 2009 Applicants

IMPORTANT NOTES: *You must be enrolled full time (12+ credits) during the Spring 2009 semester to qualify for a summer study abroad grant (Academic Opportunity Center students must be enrolled for 9+ credits during the spring 2009 term). WI Grant money is disbursed in conjunction with the first class you take in the summer session; the first class taken does not have to be the study abroad program.*

- By **March 2**, complete, sign, and file the **2008-2009** Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form available on-line (<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>) and in the Financial Aid office (Mellencamp Hall 162).
- By **March 13**, complete and return the attached Wisconsin Study Abroad Grant application to the Office of Overseas Programs and Partnerships (Pearse Hall 166).
- By **April 17**, register for at least 6 total credits in the summer session. This does not mean that you must register for 6 study abroad credits, just 6 total credits in summer. The Overseas Programs Office registers you for the study abroad credits and cannot do so if there is a hold on your account.
- By **May 8, 2009**, for students with all application requirements fulfilled, preliminary notification of award eligibility for summer programs will be sent via e-mail by Thomas Danner, OPP Assistant Director. Check your PAWS account for award amount.

Fall 2009 Applicants

- By **March 13**, complete and return the attached Wisconsin Study Abroad Grant application to the Office of Overseas Programs and Partnerships (Pearse Hall 166).
- By **April 30**, complete, sign, and file the **2009-2010** Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form available on-line (<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>) and in the Financial Aid office (Mellencamp Hall 162).
- By **June 29**, register for at least 12 Fall term credits. The Overseas Programs Office registers you for the study abroad credits and cannot do so if there is a hold on your account.
- By **July 17, 2009**, for students with all application requirements fulfilled, preliminary notification of award eligibility for fall programs will be sent via e-mail by Thomas Danner, OPP Assistant Director. Check your PAWS account for award amount.

Wisconsin Grants for Study Abroad Application for Summer 2009 and Fall 2009

Due date: March 13, 2009

Return to Overseas Programs and Partnerships, Pearse Hall, room 166

Please **PRINT CLEARLY** and complete the following:

Name: _____ ID#: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

UWM Study Abroad Program: _____

_____ Summer 2009

_____ Fall 2009

Please read before signing: I have followed the application checklist and have read about and understand the application process. I will have *submitted* my SIGNED federal FAFSA application by the March 2, 2009 deadline for summer or April 30, 2009 deadline for fall.

Student Signature _____ Date: _____

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Verification of eligibility by the Overseas Programs and Partnerships office

Full-time spring: Yes No # of credits: _____

Admitted to SA program Yes No Undergraduate Yes No

Signature _____ Date _____

Residency and need determination to be completed by the Financial Aid Office:

Empl ID# _____ Registration Confirmation Yes No

First Bachelors? Yes No

WI Resident Yes No

Need _____ Awarded _____

Dependent Yes No

Year _____

Initials _____

Date _____