

# Financial Aid & Scholarships For Global Seminars

Everything you need to know before you apply



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# Things to Consider



What kinds of federal grants and loans were you offered / accepted in the 25-26 academic year?



What personal contributions are available for your program abroad?



What is the cost breakdown of your program abroad?



Are you willing to take out Federal loans?



How much will your GS mandatory fees be (your bill)?  
(GS Program Fees + UC Summer Tuition/Fees)



How much of your Global Seminar out of pocket expenses will you actually need?

# Global Seminars Refresher

## What is it?

- Summer session global experiences led by a UCSD professor. Students enroll in a package of two courses for a total of 8 UCSD quarter units and 15-28 students per class. Approximately 27 Programs (varies every year)

## When?

- Summer only

## Budget?

- Budgets include almost everything including program fees, UCSD summer tuition and fees, housing, airfare, etc.. Personal expenses are not included

## Financial Aid?

- Summer Pell Grant (if pell eligible during prior AY & within lifetime eligibility limits) - amount will depend on summer units
- If Pell eligible & CA Resident, supplemental UCSD Summer Grant is available for approximately \$2,000 for eligible students with financial need and a minimum of 6 units (Subject to annual review of available funding).
- Unused Federal Loans from the academic year will be offered (if eligible)

## Billing?

- Administered by UCSD. Student makes payments and receives disbursements through UCSD

# Global Seminars Budgets



## **Bucket 1: UCSD Summer Session Tuition & Fees**

~ \$2,500. For the most up to date information, please visit the [UCSD Summer Session Website](#).



## **Bucket 2: Global Seminar Fees / Program Cost**

~5k - 8k. [Housing, Classroom Rentals, Excursions, On-site staff, Administration, Insurance, etc.](#)



## **Bucket 3: Outside Costs**

~ 3k - 4k. Plane tickets, Food, Passport, VISA, Books/Supplies, etc.

**Bucket 1 + Bucket 2 = Your Mandatory Fees (your GS bill)**

# GS Budget Example

*Revelle in London*

*Summer Session 2*

**Total Estimated Program Budget = ~\$13,294**

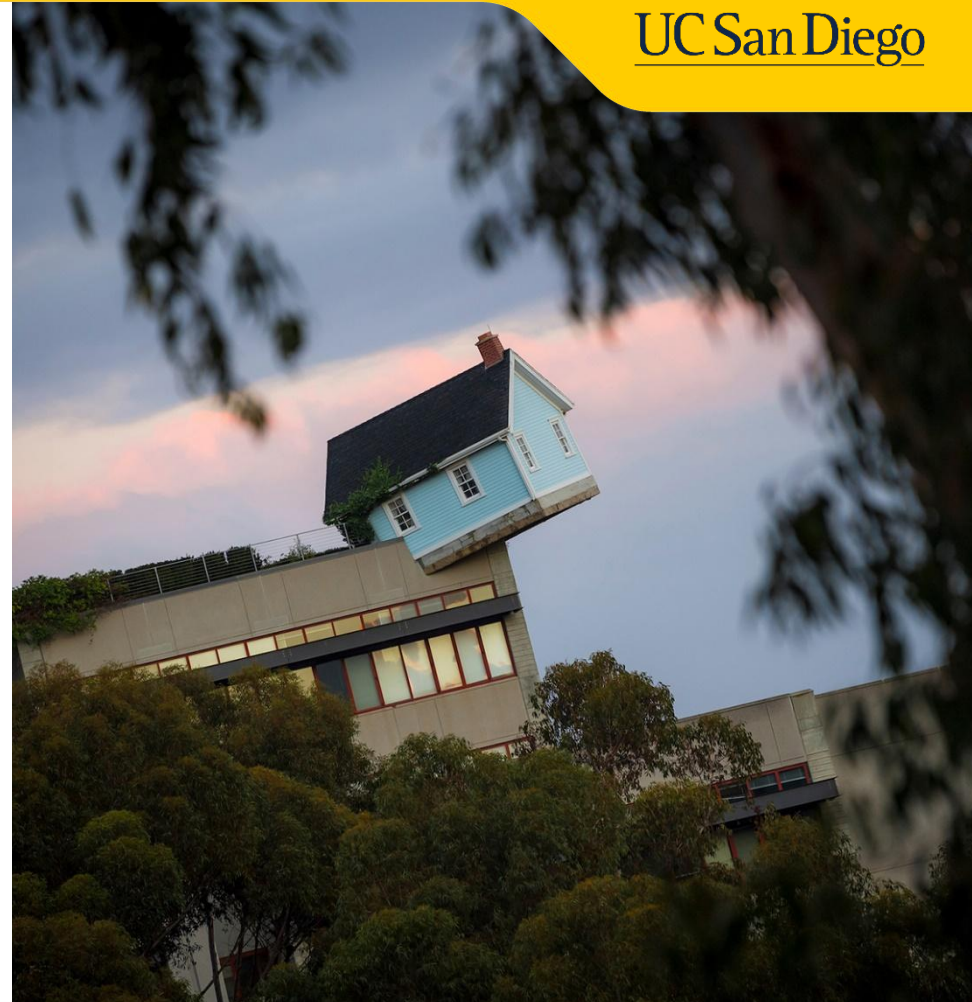
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- Bucket 2: [GS Program Fees](#) = ~\$7,430
- Bucket 3: Outside Costs = ~\$3,343

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### Full Budget Calculator

Estimated Tuition:	UCSD: \$2,521	Bucket 1
Fixed Costs:		
Program Fee:	\$6,929.63	Bucket 2
Administrative Fee:	\$500	
Estimated Out-of-Pocket Expenses:		Bucket 3
Airfare:	\$ 2300	
Meals:	\$ 600	
Passport + Photos:	\$ 180	
Textbooks:	\$ 100	
Health Screening:	\$ 50	
Visa for US citizens:	\$ 13	
Incidentals (SIM card, fan, etc.):	\$ 100	
<b>Total Estimate:</b>	<b>\$13,293.63</b>	
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# Your Aid Offer

## Gift Aid

- **Pell Grant** - Federal Grant
- **Cal Grant** - State Grant
- **UCSD Grant** - University Grant
- **Middle Class Scholarship** - State Grant
- **Scholarships**
- **Cal Vet Fee Waiver** - Veterans Benefit

## Loans

- **Subsidized Loan** - Federal
  - No Interest in school if/when enrolled in at least half-time
- **Unsubsidized Loan** - Federal
- **University Loan**
- **Parent PLUS Loan** - Federal (Dependent Students)
  - Credit check is required
  - If parent is denied, student can request additional Unsubsidized Loan
- **Private / Alternative Loan** - (Independent Students)

*\*\*Only highlighted aid can be used for Summer Global Seminars\*\**



# Summer Financial Aid & Scholarships Basics

## What is available?

- **Summer Pell Grant** - For students who have received Pell Grant during prior academic year and have not exceeded their lifetime eligibility. Amount will depend on summer units and FAFSA Student Aid Index (SAI)
- **Supplemental UCSD Summer Grant** - Offered to Pell eligible students who are CA residents with financial need and a minimum of 6 units
  - Summer 2026 eligibility and amount is anticipated to be published by April 2026: <https://fas.ucsd.edu/summer-session/index.html>
- **Unused Federal Loans (Subsidized & Unsubsidized)**- From the current academic year will be re offered
- **Scholarships**
- **Cal Vet Fee Waiver** - If eligible, will cover the UC Tuition/Fees portion of the GS program (Bucket 1)

## Billing:

- Administered by UCSD. Students make payments and receive disbursements through UCSD.

## Non-Residents:

- No non-resident fees for summer!

# Summer Packaging Examples

# Packaging Example 1

## Global Seminar - Multilingual and Multicultural Spain

### UCSD Summer Session 1

**Program Budget = \$11,991**

- Total Due to UCSD = \$8,551
- Total Other Costs = \$3,440

**2025-2026 FAFSA Student Aid Index (SAI) = \$0**

- Third Year, Dependent Student
- California Resident
- Pell Recipient during 25-26 AY | \$7,395 per Year, \$2,465 per UCSD quarter
  - Has not exceeded Lifetime Pell Eligibility
- Did not take out loans during the 25-26 AY
  - \$5,500 Subsidized Loan Summer Eligibility
  - \$2,000 Unsubsidized Loan Summer Eligibility

Cost of Attendance	\$	11,991
Tuition and Fees (Due to UCSD)	\$	8,551
Out of Pocket Expenses	\$	3,440
<b>Gift Aid (Does not need to be repaid)</b>		
Summer Pell Grant	\$	1,652
UCSD Summer Grant		
<small>*Subject to annual review of available funding</small>	\$	2,000
Scholarships	\$	-
Other	\$	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,652</b>
<b>Loan Options (Interest and repayment terms vary)</b>		
<b>Total Estimated Direct Student Loans</b>		
	\$	7,500
<small>*Total Estimated Parent PLUS Loan / *Alternative Loan / Personal Resources</small>	\$	839
<small>*Credit Based</small>		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,339</b>
<b>Total Offered Aid</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>11,991</b>

*\*\*Budget reflects summer 2025 prices.  
Amounts used is based on summer 2025 allocation.  
Official eligibility/amount will be available in April 2026\*\**

# Packaging Example 2

## Global Seminar - Jazz in Paris

### UCSD Summer Session 2

**Program Budget = \$12,093**

- Total Due to UCSD = \$8,478
- Total Other Costs = \$3,615

**2025-2026 FAFSA Student Aid Index (SAI) = \$4,328**

- Second Year, Dependent Student
- California Resident
- Pell Recipient during 25-26 AY | \$3,065 per Year, \$1,022 per UCSD quarter
  - Has not exceeded Lifetime Pell Eligibility
- Did take out loans during the 25-26 AY
  - Has taken out \$3,500 / \$4,500 in Subsidized Loan
  - Has \$2,000 of Unused Unsubsidized Loan

Cost of Attendance	\$	12,093
Tuition and Fees (Due to UCSD)	\$	8,478
Out of Pocket Expenses	\$	3,615
Gift Aid (Does not need to be repaid)		
Summer Pell Grant	\$	685
UCSD Summer Grant		
*Subject to annual review of available funding	\$	2,000
Scholarships	\$	-
Other	\$	-
Total	\$	2,685
Loan Options (Interest and repayment terms vary)		
Total Estimated Direct Student Loans		
	\$	3,000
*Total Estimated Parent PLUS Loan / *Alternative Loan / Personal Resources	\$	6,408
*Credit Based		
Total	\$	9,408
Total Offered Aid	\$	12,093

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Official eligibility/amount will be available in April 2026\*\**

# Packaging Example 3

## Global Seminar - Sea Turtles and Tropical Ecology in Costa Rica

### UCSD Summer Session 1

**Program Budget = \$12,182**

- Total Due to UCSD = \$9,222
- Total Other Costs = \$2,960

**2025-2026 FAFSA Student Aid Index (SAI) = \$18,122**

- Third Year, Dependent Student
- California Resident
- NOT a Pell Recipient during 25-26 AY
- Did take out loans during the 25-26 AY
  - Has taken out \$4,500 / \$5,500 in Subsidized Loan
  - Has taken out \$1,000 / \$2,000 in Unsubsidized Loan

Cost of Attendance	\$	12,182
Tuition and Fees (Due to UCSD)	\$	9,222
Out of Pocket Expenses	\$	2,960
<b>Gift Aid (Does not need to be repaid)</b>		
Summer Pell Grant	\$	-
UCSD Summer Grant		
*Subject to annual review of available funding	\$	-
Scholarships	\$	-
Other	\$	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Loan Options (Interest and repayment terms vary)</b>		
Total Estimated Direct Student Loans	\$	2,000
*Total Estimated Parent PLUS Loan / *Alternative Loan / Personal Resources	\$	10,182
*Credit Based		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,182</b>
<b>Total Offered Aid</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,182</b>

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# Packaging Example 4

## Global Seminar - Revelle in Santiago

### UCSD Summer Session 2

**Program Budget = \$10,168**

- Total Due to UCSD = \$6,708
- Total Other Costs = \$3,460

**2025-2026 FAFSA Student Aid Index (SAI) = \$2,047**

- Third Year, Dependent Student
- **Non-California Resident**
- Pell Recipient during 25-26 AY | \$5,350 per Year, \$1,783 per UCSD quarter
  - Has not exceeded Lifetime Pell Eligibility
- Did take out loans during the 25-26 AY
  - Has taken out \$5,500 / \$5,500 in Subsidized Loan
  - Has taken out \$2,000 / \$2,000 in Unsubsidized Loan

Cost of Attendance	\$	10,168
Tuition and Fees (Due to UCSD)	\$	6,708
Out of Pocket Expenses	\$	3,460
<b>Gift Aid (Does not need to be repaid)</b>		
Summer Pell Grant	\$	1,195
UCSD Summer Grant		
<small>*Subject to annual review of available funding</small>	\$	-
Scholarships	\$	-
Other	\$	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,195</b>
<b>Loan Options (Interest and repayment terms vary)</b>		
Total Estimated Direct Student Loans	\$	-
<small>*Total Estimated Parent PLUS Loan / *Alternative Loan / Personal Resources</small>	\$	8,973
<small>*Credit Based</small>		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,973</b>
<b>Total Offered Aid</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>10,168</b>

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# Financial Aid Scenarios

## High Need Case Scenario

- Low FAFSA Student Aid Index (SAI)
- Pell Grant Recipient
- Has unused loans in prior academic year
- Eligible for UCSD Summer Grant
- Awarded Scholarships

### Award:

- Summer Pell Grant, UCSD Summer Grant, Scholarships & Loans

## No Need Case Scenario

- High FAFSA Student Aid Index (SAI)
- Not a Pell Grant Recipient
- Has used most loans in prior academic year
- Ineligible for UCSD Summer Grant
- No Scholarships Awarded

### Award:

- Loans only



# Global Seminars Timeline

## Student Process

1. Submit your GS application before the March 1st deadline
2. Apply to study abroad scholarships (most summer deadlines are in February/March)
3. If accepted to the program, submit a ticket via SNOW to request an appointment for a FA estimate
4. Enroll in your GS courses (GS team will send instructions when time comes)

## Financial Aid Process

5. ~6-8 weeks before program start date; FA office will receive official list of GS participants to package
6. ~4 weeks before program start date; FA office will begin packaging GS students to reflect program COA
7. If due for refund, disbursements will be according to the [UCSD summer session disbursement dates](#)
8. Enjoy your time Abroad!! Reach out for any FA questions while abroad

# Summer GS Payment Deadlines & Disbursements

## Summer Session 1 GS Programs

- **Payment Deadline:** ~ late June
- **Disbursement:** Aid will be credited beginning approximately ~10 days before the first day of instruction

## Summer Session 2 GS Programs

- **Payment Deadline:** ~ late July - early August
- **Disbursement:** Aid will be credited beginning approximately ~10 days before the first day of instruction

## Special Session GS Programs (Sixth College Internships in Dublin)

- **Payment Deadline:** ~ late June (same as SS1)
- **Disbursement:** Aid will be credited approximately ~2 days before official Special Session GS Start Date

*\*For the most up to date information on UCSD Summer Session Payment Deadlines & Disbursements, please visit [Summer Session Fee Payment Deadlines](#) & [Summer Session Disbursements](#).*

# Global Seminar + Other UCSD Summer Session

If planning to enroll in a Global Seminar session + another UCSD Summer Session, your aid will be credited in halves ( $\frac{1}{2}$ )

**Global Seminar Summer 2026 Program:** Revelle in Madrid

**UCSD Summer Session:** UCSD Summer Session 1

**Student decides to enroll in UCSD Summer Session 2 courses to take upon return from Global Seminar Summer Session 1 program**

**Units:** The total number of summer units will increase (8 GS units + SS2 units)

- If Pell eligible, student can potentially receive more in Pell Grant since enrollment intensity will increase from 8 GS units.

**Payment Deadlines:**

- GS Summer Session 1: ~ Due late June
- UCSD Summer Session 2: ~ Due late July - early August

**Disbursements:**

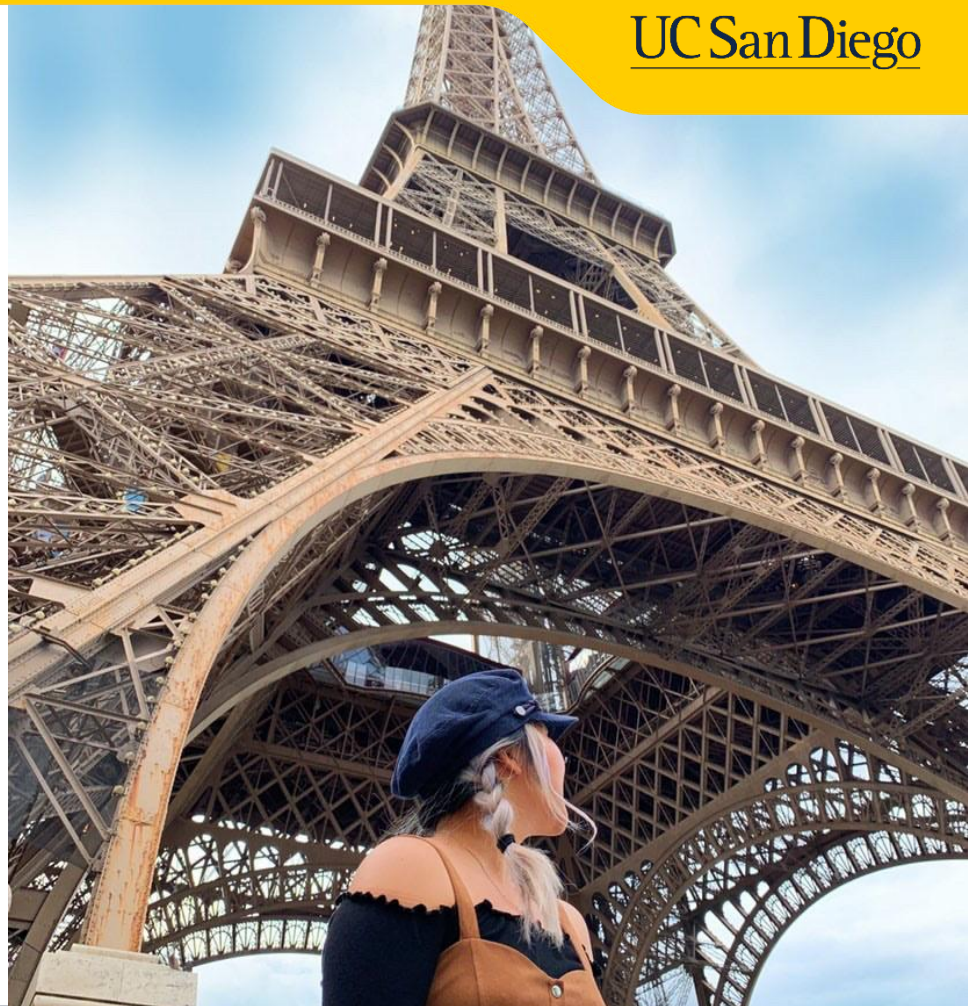
- Half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of your summer aid will be credited approximately ~10 days before the first day of Summer Session 1 GS instruction.
- Other half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) will be credited approximately ~10 days before the first day of Summer Session 2 UCSD instruction.

# **Study Abroad Scholarships**

# Study Abroad Scholarships At UCSD

Over \$1,000,000 in Study Abroad Scholarships were awarded to UCSD students in 2024-2025 academic year!

[studyabroad.ucsd.edu/scholarships](https://studyabroad.ucsd.edu/scholarships)



# UCSD Study Abroad Scholarships

Scholarship	Amount	GPA	Financial Need	Eligibility Requirements	Deadline
<b>Study Abroad Scholarship Application</b> Complete this <u>one</u> application to be considered for the UCSD scholarships below. Apply at: <a href="http://studyabroad.ucsd.edu/scholarships">studyabroad.ucsd.edu/scholarships</a>					
Chancellor's Study Abroad Scholarship	\$5,000	2.0	Yes	Students facing financial or other obstacles to study abroad; participating in Global Seminars, Global Exchange, UCEAP, or other UC campus programs	Early Decision Deadline: February 9, 2024 Final Decision Deadline: March 1, 2024
Chancellor's Study Abroad Scholarship: Black Academic Excellence Initiative	\$5,000	2.0	Yes	Students with demonstrated alignment and involvement with the Black Academic Excellence Initiative; facing financial or other obstacles to study abroad; participating in Global Seminars, Global Exchange, UCEAP, or other UC campus programs	
Chancellor's Study Abroad Scholarship: Latin/Chican/x Academic Excellence Initiative	\$5,000	2.0	Yes	Students with demonstrated alignment and involvement with the Latin/Chican/x Academic Excellence Initiative; facing financial or other obstacles to study abroad; participating in Global Seminars, Global Exchange, UCEAP, or other UC campus programs	
UCSD College Study Abroad Scholarships	Information varies, check with your College for details.				
So Family Scholarship	\$1,500	3.0	Yes	Study in China, Hong Kong, or Taiwan	
Ernest Mort Scholarship	\$1,500	3.0	Yes	Revelle Student	
Fliesbach International Scholarship	\$1,500	3.0	Yes	Major in Visual Arts, Theatre, Music, Dance or Anthropology	
Kameron M. Kordestani Scholarship for the Social Sciences	\$2,000	3.3	Yes	Major in Social Sciences & participating in a UCEAP program during the academic year (summer excluded)	
Janice and Steve Chaffin Study Abroad Scholarship	\$2,500	3.0	Yes	Preuss School graduate going on a UCEAP or Global Seminar; preference to Hispanic students	
UCSD Alumni UK EAP Scholarship	Varies	Varies		Study in the UK through a UCEAP program during the academic year (summer excluded)	
Betty J. Beyster Study Abroad Scholarship	\$5,000	3.0	Yes	Undergraduate students (US citizens) majoring in engineering or physics.	
Friends of the International Center Scholarship	\$1,500	3.3	Yes	Students must return to UCSD for at least one quarter after studying abroad	
UC San Diego Passport Office Study Abroad Scholarship	\$1,000	2.5	Yes	Open to UC San Diego students (US citizens) on all study abroad programs	

## One and Done!

- 1 application gets you considered for multiple scholarships

## Application opens:

- ~ December 2025

## Deadline:

- ~ February/March 2026  
(Summer 2026 & Fall 2026 Programs)

## Link to apply:

- <http://studyabroad.ucsd.edu/scholarships>

\*Image is based on 2024 scholarship data. Updated flyer will be available in November 2025\*



# Chancellor's Study Abroad Scholarship

The Chancellor's Study Abroad Scholarship will fund up to 50 UC San Diego students annually with awards of up to \$5,000!

Available to all students participating on any UC San Diego program (UCEAP, Global Seminars, Global Exchange) for any length (summer, quarter, semester or year).

Application will open in ~ December 2025 on the [Study Abroad UC San Diego Scholarships Website](#)





# Kathleen W. Denno GS Scholarship

## Eligibility:

- Must have demonstrated financial need
- 2.0 minimum GPA
- Must demonstrate high academic achievement and leadership
- Must be returning to campus after program completion.

**Amount:** Up to \$3,000 (~ Approximately 10 awards annually)

**Where to Apply:** [UCSD Study Abroad Scholarship Application](#)

**Application will open in ~ December 2025**

# Gilman Scholarship

**Purpose:** Sponsored by the US Dept. Of State, undergraduate scholarship program for US citizens of limited financial means to enable them to study abroad and prepare them to thrive in the global economy.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$5,000 (~\$3,000 for Summer Programs)

**Number of Awards:** 2,800+ nationally (Approx. 30-40 UCSD recipients annually)

**Eligibility:**

- Demonstrated Financial Need
- Must be a Pell Grant recipient at time of application or during study abroad
- U.S. Citizen

**Where to apply:** Gilman Website - <https://www.gilmanscholarship.org/>

**Application deadline:**

- **March 5, 2026** (Summer 2026 - Spring 2027 programs)



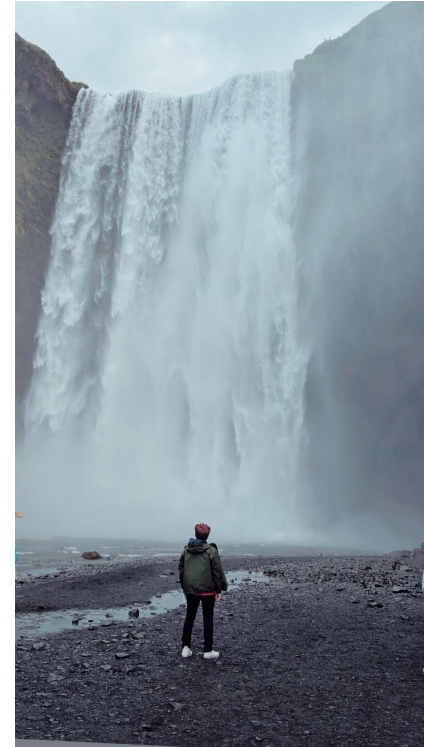
# Reminders / GS Withdrawal Deadline

## Reminders:

- There is no separate application for Summer Financial Aid.  
For summer 2026 programs, we will be using your current 2025-2026 FAFSA we have on file.
- Ensure your financial aid account is up to date with no outstanding documents needed.
- Apply to your GS courses! GS team will send instructions once summer enrollment is open.
- Apply for Study Abroad Scholarships beginning in December!!!

## **GS WITHDRAWAL DEADLINE: MARCH 1, 2026**

- **Withdrawing after March 1st can result in owing the GS Program Fee (2K - 7k).**



# Next Steps

1. Complete/submit your GS application by the March 1st deadline. Application opens on November 1st
2. Review your [Global Seminars Budget](#)
3. Review your most recent Financial Aid Offer to see what summer aid you may be eligible for.
4. Review this presentation and additional information on the [Financial Aid Study Abroad Website](#).
5. Meet with our Financial Aid Study Abroad Advisor via zoom beginning January to receive an official Financial Aid Estimate for your program abroad. To request an appointment, please Submit a SNOW ticket to Study Abroad Financial Aid.

## Financial Aid Study Abroad Advising Services:

- **Weekly Virtual Drop In Advising:** Fridays 10 am - 11:15 am via the [Study Abroad Office Virtual Advising Center \(VAC\)](#).
- **Appointments:** Available by request via SNOW ticket!

# Who to contact?

<p><b>UCSD Financial Aid &amp; Scholarships, Study Abroad</b></p> <p>Submit your question through the following link:  <a href="#">UC San Diego Services &amp; Support Portal</a>  <i>On the ticket form, select Ask a Question or Make a Request &gt; Financial Aid + Scholarships (FAS) &gt; Study Abroad Offers.</i></p>	<p>Questions about Financial Aid &amp; Scholarships for study abroad</p>
<p><b>UCSD Student Financial Solutions (SFS)</b>  <a href="#">*Link to SFS Contact Info*</a></p>	<p>Questions about billing, refunds, and disbursements</p>
<p><b>UCSD Global Seminars Team</b>  <a href="#">Study Abroad Office Virtual Advising Center (VAC)</a></p>	<p>Questions about program, application process, budgets, etc.</p>

## UCSD Study Abroad Office

- **Submit a question via the Study Abroad Virtual Advising Center (VAC):** <https://studyabroad.ucsd.edu/about/contact-us.html>
- **Study Abroad Website:** [Studyabroad.ucsd.edu](https://studyabroad.ucsd.edu)
- **Advising Services:** <https://studyabroad.ucsd.edu/students/advising-services/index.html>
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**Questions?**



**Thank you!**