

- I. Purpose of the Scholarship: This scholarship is developed to support enhanced study abroad exchange experiences for students from US universities to study or intern abroad in France. This scholarship will support up to 4 continuing Coastal Carolina University students to study or intern abroad in Spring 2017 or Summer 2017 programs in France. Pursuant to the terms of the Generation Study Abroad Program to enhance the diversity of students studying abroad, this scholarship is available to students who are at least one of the following: (1) students who are veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces; (2) students who have excessive financial need; (3) students who are first-generation college students (those for who no parents have completed a four-year university degree); (4) minority students; or (5) students completing approved internships in France. The scholarship may only be used to participate in a University sponsored study abroad experience in Spring 2017 or Summer 2017 in France, and preference is given to participating at one of CCU's partner universities in a semester-long study abroad program in Spring 2017.
- **II.** Criteria for the Financial Award: To qualify for the award, the recipient must meet each of the following conditions:
 - 1. Be a new or continuing Coastal Carolina University undergraduate student with a GPA of 2.75 or higher;
 - 2. Be a U.S. citizen at the time of the award;
 - 3. Be able to provide supporting evidence that demonstrates that the recipient meets at least one of the following criteria:
 - a. First-generation college student (no parents have a four-year college degree or higher in educational attainment);
 - b. Be a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces;
 - c. Be a student with high financial need as defined by the CCU Office of Financial Aid;
 - d. Be a minority student;
 - e. Recipient has completed an application for an internship in France through a CCU-approved partner during the targeted time period.
 - 4. Commit to <u>both</u> of the following post-return from the study abroad experience in France:
 - a. You agree to submit a reflective report (at least five pages long of text) upon your return no later than one month after your return from the program in which you report on your study abroad experience in France (including photographs to support your report) by addressing each of the following three points in your reflective report:
 - 1. What activities on the program most helped you to better understand yourself and your role in the world as a global citizen?
 - 2. How did this study abroad experience enhance your understanding of the academic major you are pursuing?
 - 3. What did you learn about France and what more do you want to know or do as a result of this experience?
 - b. You agree to make a public presentation in a venue organized through Coastal Carolina University about your learning experience through the study abroad experience within 6 months of your return from the program.
 - 5. Submit an application with a typed essay (no longer than 1,200 words) addressing each of the following:
 - a. Recipient's desired international study experience in France;
 - b. How an international study experience will enrich the recipient's academic program and personal/professional development; and
 - c. Identify efforts in which the recipient has engaged in activities to increase global awareness.
 - 6. Have completed the application process for a CCU-approved study abroad program in France for the targeted time period.

The recommendation for these scholarships will come from the Associate Provost for Global Initiatives with a representative from the Office of International Programs. This team will review the essay, and evidence of membership in one of the targeted groups in making its evaluations. The University Scholarship Committee will make the final award based on this recommendation. Recipients who do not fulfill the commitment noted in Part II.4. will have a charge equal to the amount of the scholarship placed on their student account.

III. Directions for Completion: Please provide this completed form as a cover sheet attached to your essay noted in Section II(4) above to the Office of International Programs, Lib Jackson Student Union, Room A-109, no later than the deadline as noted above.

Last Name:		First Name:		CCU Email:		
CCU Student ID:	Address:		City:		State:	Zip:

With my signature below, I certify that I intend to participate in the ________study abroad program offered through Coastal Carolina University. I understand that I will be responsible for all other costs associated with the experience, aside from those provided in this financial award, and I understand that this financial award may only be used to participate in the study abroad program for which it is awarded. I approve the review of my records at CCU in support of this application, including the sharing of all materials necessary with the members of the scholarship review committee.

(Signature)

(Date)