



Financial Aid for Off-Campus Programs 2025-26

There are several Whitworth Donor-Sponsored Scholarships designated for students traveling abroad through Off-Campus Faculty-Led Programs. Listed below are the various scholarships available, along with information on the Whitworth OCP Travel Grants. Both of these resources are awarded through the **Online Off-Campus Programs Scholarship and Grant Application** located at the following URL:

<https://www.whitworth.edu/cms/academics/off-campus-programs/grants-and-scholarships>.

IMPORTANT

- The OCP scholarship application **opens on April 13th and closes May 4th**. Award notifications will be sent in early June 2025. The scholarship amounts vary but most start at \$200.

To be considered for these scholarships, **students must also complete the 2025/26 Donor-Sponsored Scholarship Application found here:** <https://webforms.whitworth.edu/financial-aid/scholarship-application-returning/section1.aspx>

- The Donor-Sponsored Scholarship application only needs to be completed one time for the 2025/26 academic year. The priority deadline is 2/15/25 but it can and must still be completed after that date. If you have already submitted it, you will not be able to access the application again.
- Most of the scholarships require students to demonstrate financial need per the FAFSA/WASFA. To be considered for any of the need-based scholarships, you must **submit the 2025/26 FAFSA or WASFA by April 6, 2025** (make sure the FAFSA/WASFA is fully completed and accepted).

In addition, students may also be eligible for various **loan programs** to assist in study abroad expenses. Contact the Whitworth Financial Aid Office at 509.777.4340 or finaid@whitworth.edu or your specific financial aid counselor to inquire.

Ruth Baird Travel Scholarship (amount varies)

The Ruth Baird Travel Scholarship was established in 2007 by the Baird family in honor and memory of their mother, Mrs. Ruth Elizabeth Blaine Baird. Ruth Baird loved to travel and instilled that love of travel in her children. This scholarship is to enable a philosophy student without significant previous travel experience to participate in a Whitworth study tour.

Eligibility: Philosophy major or minor, Junior or Senior at time of travel, 3.5 cumulative GPA, and financial need as determined by the financial aid office.

Global Whitworth Study Abroad Scholarships for Underrepresented Students (multiple scholarships - amount varies)

This scholarship was established to assist underrepresented students who desire the experience of studying in other countries and cultures, but have not had the opportunity due to lack of financial resources. The scholarship will be used to cover a portion of the expected cost of traveling abroad.

Eligibility: Awarded to students participating in faculty led **international** travel trips. Students must have financial need as determined by the financial aid office and have on time payments and responsiveness to OCP (cooperation and communication). GPA and answers to specific questions on the online Off-campus Programs Scholarship and Grant application will be considered in awarding this scholarship.

Whitworth University Academic Travel Scholarship (\$500 awards)

This scholarship was established to assist students who desire the experience of studying in other countries and cultures. The scholarship will be used to cover a portion of the expected cost of **traveling abroad**.

Eligibility: Awarded to students participating in semester long programs and Education major programs. Students must have financial need as determined by the financial aid office, and have on time payments and responsiveness to OCP (cooperation and communication). GPA a secondary factor. For students who have not already had a study abroad experience.

Howard Stien Biology & Science Study Endowment (amount varies)

To provide scholarship assistance to Whitworth students participating in science study tours.

Eligibility: Must be a science major (biology, chemistry, physics – not health science) and partake in a science study trip. Must have financial need demonstrated as determined by the financial aid office.

Mary Jane Maxwell Foundation Scholarship (2 awards)

This foundation was established in '98 to help further the mission of Whitworth by enabling students to develop a global vision as they prepare to make a difference in their world. This scholarship is to provide funds for students majoring in history or political science to participate in Whitworth study programs.

Eligibility: Must be a history or political science major with financial need. If none apply then open to other applicants going on a program with faculty from those departments. GPA 3.0 or higher. History and Political Science departments choose recipients.

Pierrette Christianne Lovrien French Study Tour Scholarship (amount varies)

Pierrette Gustafson set up this scholarship, to benefit students planning to study abroad in France in a Whitworth Faculty-led trip. Must have a 2.75 GPA or higher. Financial need is considered, but not a requirement. Applicants should have a strong personal commitment to exploring cultural diversities including language, history, art and lifestyle.

Dr. Chip & Cheryl Kimball Scholarship for Experiential Learning (amount varies)

Dr. Chip and Cheryl (Hicks) Kimball, both class of '88 established this endowed scholarship in gratitude for their Whitworth education and for the Whitworth education of their two daughters. In addition, Cheryl's father, Dr. David Hicks, served as a Professor of Biology from 1967 to 1996.

Eligibility: Supports travel costs over and above tuition for matriculated full-time undergraduate students participating in and approved credit earning off-campus **international** study program. Financial need as determined by the financial aid office required.

Alice K. Yoder Travel Scholarships (amount varies)

Established from a gift given from the Alice K. Yoder Estate to assist students from economically disadvantaged situations to be able to participate in Jan Term or semester-long programs that internationalize a student's academic studies and expand their cross-cultural engagement and personal growth. Must be traveling **internationally!** Preference given to ministry/missions/service-oriented semester long or Jan-Term international experiences.

Whitworth OCP Travel Grants (multiple \$300, \$500 or \$1000 depending on cost of program)

Whitworth grant funds set aside to assist students traveling in faculty-led programs.

Eligibility: Must have financial need as determined by the financial aid office, have attended Whitworth for at least a year before the tour departure (MIT students are exempt from this requirement), have not been a previous recipient of an OCP Travel Grant, and cannot be a participant in any tuition remission program. Grants range from \$300 - \$1000.

James Ratcliffe Global Awareness Travel Scholarship (amount varies)

In honor of "Jay" James Ratcliffe and his love for study abroad, this scholarship was established to support students participating in Whitworth faculty-led off-campus study programs.

Eligibility: Must have financial need, be in good academic standing, and be participating in either a semester-long or Jan Term off-campus study program.

B. Arminta Willis Scholarship

Established in 2023 by B. Arminta Willis, a talented pianist and artist, to support students participating in Whitworth study-abroad programs, particularly those which are led by faculty from the art or music departments.

Eligibility: Must have financial need, be in good academic standing, and be participating in study abroad programs led by faculty from the Whitworth art or music departments.

Jan Term Scholarship for Travel (amount varies)

This scholarship was established to enable students to be able to participate in Whitworth study abroad Jan-Term programs. Must have financial need and be in good academic standing.