

Discover Programs Enrichment Scholarship Guidelines

The Discover Programs Enrichment Scholarship has been established to assist those Murray State University degree-seeking students who have applied for participation in one of the MSU summer Discover Programs: Discover China or Discover Korea.

Eligibility

- Must be fully enrolled, degree-seeking MSU students. Students participating in MSU- sponsored programs as “visiting” or “non-degree seeking” are not eligible
- Must have submitted an application to either the Discover China or Discover Korea summer program to be considered for the scholarship
- Must have studied at MSU for at least one semester and have a minimum gpa of 2.5.
- Must demonstrate financial need
- Students who are participating in university study abroad for the first time will be given priority over repeat participants.

Procedures

- A copy of the application and any required addenda must be presented to the Scholarship Committee by the indicated deadline.
- Following the Committee’s decision, student recipients will receive a formal notification letter from the Institute for International Studies.
- Students MUST reply in an acceptance email or letter to formally accept the scholarship before it will be applied to their program costs.
- Scholarships will be applied directly to the Discover Programs account. Recipients will receive a reduction in billing to their MSU account.

Application Guidelines

Applicants are responsible for providing the Scholarship Committee with **all** information required by the Committee. This includes:

- Complete application form, found online at www.murraystate.edu/studyabroad**
- Financial Statement found online and any additional financial information that would assist the committee in establishing need;**
- An essay that discusses the following: why you wish to study abroad, what impact study abroad will have on your academic and career goals, any prior experience you may have in travel or study abroad, how this scholarship will impact your ability to study on your chosen program.**

Information provided by the student is kept confidential. The Committee’s decision is final.

Awards

The award is a waiver of your study abroad program costs. Among the criteria for the amounts awarded are: the number of applicants, the apparent financial need in each case, the thoroughness of the application, and the essay discussion of the desire to study abroad. Awards will not be given to recipients in cash amounts.

Awards will be given to recipients who are accepted into either the Discover China or Discover Korea program. If an award recipient withdraws from the study abroad program, the award will NOT be applied to cover costs incurred by the student for the program, but instead will be withdrawn. Any costs incurred by the program on the student’s behalf will be billed back to the student.

ALL application materials MUST be in the Study Abroad Office by the deadline to be considered.