The Julie Taymor ’74 Student Support Fund for Arts and Culture Abroad

Students studying fine or performing arts and culture outside of the U.S. in a credit-bearing semester or year-long program may apply for awards of up to $2,500 to support costs associated with the semester or year abroad. Preference will be given to students studying in a non-Western context. In special circumstances, awards will be considered for summer projects. The application is available here.

The following is information about eligibility and the application procedure:

- The award is open to Oberlin students who have been approved for study abroad Academic Leave of Absence or Enrolled-Not-in-Residence status on a program that features a fine or performing arts curriculum or intensive experience (such as an internship, research project, or performance). In special cases, students may apply for funds to support summer arts-based opportunities.
- Preference is given to students studying in non-Western locations outside the U.S.
- Preference is given to students with demonstrated financial need.
- The award will fund costs related to the artistic endeavor that are not part of the regular tuition (i.e., studio fees, special equipment, research, or private instruction costs, airfare, personal expenses as estimated by the program, visa fees, etc.)

Applicant Criteria

- Students applying for support from this fund are strongly encouraged to consider Oberlin Affiliated Programs as appropriate. The list of such programs is available at studyaway.oberlin.edu or in the Study Away Library in Peters 205.
- Applicants will be asked to submit a detailed budget to be included as part of the award application.
- Applicants are not necessarily expected to be majoring in a fine or performing arts area; however, the arts experience must be a significant component of the abroad semester or year.
- Students applying for semester or year-long programs must be eligible to receive credit for the arts coursework taken on the abroad program from the appropriate Oberlin department.
- Students applying to the fund to participate in a program in a Travel Warning country must have approval, in advance, under the Oberlin College Travel Warning policy.
- Students must submit a written report following the semester.

Application Procedure

- Applicants must complete and submit the online application and budget form by April 15 for fall programs or special summer projects, or by October 15 for spring programs.
- Students interested in applying for funding for winter term projects must apply through the winter term individual project grant application by late October.
- For further information, please contact Ellen Sayles, Associate Dean, Director of Programs for International Study at ellen.sayles@oberlin.edu.