Application for Martha and Joseph Forgiano Fund for International Travel
Summer 2016 Study Abroad Participants

Scholarships at SUNY Oneonta are managed through the College at Oneonta Foundation and made possible through gifts and grants from alumni, faculty, staff and community members who share a commitment to SUNY Oneonta and its students.

Deadline for Completed Application:  Friday, April 1

Submit completed application in person to: Office of International Education, 103 Alumni Hall

Award:  Award amounts will vary depending on the quality of the application, length of study, and student need with the average award being approximately $1,000

Eligibility Requirements:
- Must have applied for a study abroad program for the summer 2016 term by the scholarship application deadline
- Must be an undergraduate student and have completed at least one full semester at SUNY Oneonta with a cumulative GPA of 2.5

Criteria:
The Scholarship Committee shall consider the following qualities of the applicant, as evidenced by application materials:
- Academic excellence and articulated academic, personal and professional goals for study abroad program
- Unique or extraordinary circumstances (including financial) surrounding the pursuit of study abroad experience
- Financial need as expressed within the student’s application essay
- Strong faculty recommendation
- Student’s interest in and articulated ability and concrete plan to share his or her study abroad experience with other students upon returning to SUNY Oneonta after completion of program. Students who will graduate immediately upon their completion of study abroad programs should still indicate how they plan to share their study abroad experiences with other students.

Disqualifiers:
- Applicant must have no financial hold on student account at the time of the application or disbursement of award
- Providing false or exaggerated information on scholarship application; plagiarizing or not completing application independently
- Failure to participate in or withdrawal from a study abroad program, or falling below 12 credit hours/semester

Any of the above will result in revocation or reimbursement by the student of the disbursed scholarship award to SUNY Oneonta.

Completed Applications Must Include:
- Application Form (attached)
- Essay – Must be submitted using a word processor, single spaced, Times New Roman, and should be approximately one page. The essay must include the following points:
  - Describe the reasons and your motivation for why you chose your country of study as well as your specific program.
  - Describe any challenges/unique concerns (financial or other), if any, you have faced in your decision to study abroad.
  - What impact will your study abroad program and receiving a scholarship have on your academic, personal, and professional goals?
  - Clearly and concisely articulate your motivation and plan for sharing your study abroad experience with other students upon returning to SUNY Oneonta after completing your study abroad program. Describe exactly what you will do, when, how, with the support of which orgs, depts., offices, other students, etc...
- 2 Recommendation Letters From Professors (Could Include Your Academic Advisor) in Sealed Envelopes. Please submit with application or ask your professors to send letters of recommendation to 103 Alumni Hall by scholarship deadline: April 1.

All application materials must be submitted in person by the deadline; no late submissions and no substitutions of application forms allowed.

No application materials will be accepted via e-mail from applicants or faculty.

Review of Applications:  Week of April 4, 2016
Notification of Awards:  By Monday, April 11, 2016
Disbursements:  Date to be determined by Financial Aid for summer term

Applicants: Keep this page for your records. Do not submit with application.
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Use Black or Blue Pen Only – No Pencil. Print Clearly.

A Number: __________________

Applicant’s Name: ____________________________ Email: ______________________

Local Address: _______________________________ Major: ______________________

Minor: ______________  Cumulative GPA: ___________ Expected Graduation Date (Month and Year): ________________

List the study abroad program(s) you have applied to for the summer 2016 term (or those you have been accepted to, if applicable):

Program 1: Country: __________ Overseas Institution: __________ Administering Campus: __________

Program 2: Country: __________ Overseas Institution: __________ Administering Campus: __________

Have you studied abroad in the past? ☐ Yes (Indicate term abroad and location) ___________________ ☐ No

List any scholarships you have received through SUNY Oneonta or other external organizations:

Scholarships: Title: __________________________ Spring ’16 Semester: $______ Academic Year ’15 – ’16 $______

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List clubs/organizations, or volunteering on or off campus for which you are actively involved (and leadership positions held, if applicable):

I have read, understood, and agree to the application terms and conditions. I verify that all information submitted in this application is true, correct, and honestly presented. I also authorize the Scholarship Committee to obtain and review my final grade transcript at the close of the semester and check my student account to ensure no financial encumbrances to the College of any kind exist.

Print Name __________________________ Signature __________________________ Date __________________________

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