

Deadline: **Monday, February 16, 2026 at 5PM (CST)**

Hard copy applications to Visual Art Main Office (#300 Chalmers Hall), or submit online application and email additional materials to visualartadmin@ku.edu

STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

Guidelines and Procedures

Every year, the Department of Visual Art awards Study Abroad Scholarships to outstanding current undergraduate and/or graduate students through a competitive review process. Only students seeking a degree in the Department of Visual Art (MFA, MA, BFA, BA, Minor) are eligible to apply for these scholarships.

There are two different types of Study Abroad Scholarship opportunities that students can apply for: 1) Semester-long Study Abroad in Fall or Spring, and 2) Summer Study Abroad. Those students applying for the semester-long Study Abroad Scholarship must intend to enroll in Study Abroad Program in **Fall 2026 or Spring 2027**, to study for a semester at the one of the institutions listed below. Those students applying for Summer Study Abroad Scholarship must intend to study abroad by enrolling in a Summer Study Abroad course offered by the Visual Art Department. **This year it is Summer 2026 Visual Art in Japan:** <https://studyabroad.ku.edu/visual-art-japan>

Opportunities for FA26/SP27 Semester Study Abroad:

Hongik University (Seoul, Korea) - <https://studyabroad.ku.edu/hongik-university-seoul-south-korea>

Kookmin University (Seoul, Korea) - <https://studyabroad.ku.edu/kookmin-university-seoul-south-korea>

All applications will be reviewed by the Department of Visual Art Study Abroad Scholarship Review Committee. The scholarships are awarded on the merit of the applicant's academic record, creative work, and statement of purpose. Visual Art Department Summer Study Abroad Courses can vary each semester. Please check current course offering for the most up-to-date opportunities.

ELIGIBILITY

Must be a student in good standing in the Department of Visual Art. For students intending to apply for the semester-long Study Abroad Scholarship, they must enroll in Study Abroad Program for the next academic year to study at one of the above four foreign institutions. For students applying for the Summer Study Abroad Scholarship, they must enroll in a Summer Study Abroad course that is offered by the Visual Art Department. Must have a 3.0 minimum KU overall GPA.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Submit an application that includes the following:

- Completed application form (available online: <https://forms.office.com/r/SCh5dkqMJN>)
- A copy of your DPR (Degree Progress Report). Please only include the "Check List" section of your DPR.
- One letter of recommendation from a Visual Art department faculty. Faculty may submit their letter directly to the office by the due date. (***letter is required only for semester-long study abroad***)
- A statement of purpose, which should be double-spaced and not to exceed 2 pages. Please address the following: Why do you want to study at this program? What interests you about this program? What experiences do you have living abroad or in places where you have been unfamiliar? Have you ever studied, lived, or traveled abroad? Have you ever traveled by yourself? What makes you a good candidate for a study abroad scholarship? What will make you a good ambassador for KU? How do you think your presence might benefit the study abroad program? What are your expectations? What do you think you will gain from the study abroad experience?

Department of Visual Art
STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP
Guidelines and Procedures

No other additional materials will be considered. Application materials will not be returned to the applicant. A letter of scholarship notification will be sent out to the applicant individually to the address provided via the application form.