



*The Rhode Island College  
World Connection Scholarship*

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**APPLICATION FORM**  
**2024-2025 Study Abroad**

The RIC World Connection Scholarship is a merit-based award offered through the RIC Study Abroad program in collaboration with the Office of Student Financial Aid.

To be eligible for the RIC World Connection Scholarship, you must:

- ◆ Be an American citizen or a Permanent Resident of the United States,
- ◆ Be enrolled at Rhode Island College,
- ◆ Have a minimum G.P.A. of 2.5,
- ◆ Have completed a minimum of three semesters at Rhode Island College (one semester minimum for transfer students),
- ◆ Be in good standing with RIC,
- ◆ Register to an approved study abroad degree-seeking program that has at least half-time equivalent enrollment.

**Applications for Fall 2024 Study Abroad are due by April 15, 2024.**  
**Applications for Spring 2025 Study Abroad are due by November 15, 2024.**



Applications must include all required material and be emailed to [StudyAbroad@ric.edu](mailto:StudyAbroad@ric.edu). Any incomplete or late applications will be automatically disqualified.

*Funds will only be disbursed if travel and study abroad programs in the host country are authorized by the US Department of State.*



### Personal Information

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Student ID: 

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Date of application: \_\_\_\_\_ Date received: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First M.I.

Home Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*No./Street*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
*City/Town State Zip Code*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
*Telephone Number (Home) RIC E-Mail Address*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
*Telephone number (Cell) Private E-mail Address*

Major | Minor | Concentration of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit hours completed: \_\_\_\_\_ G.P.A.: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents'/Guardians' Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parents'/Guardians' Home Address/es: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Parents'/Guardians' Phone Number/s: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Authorization

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- I grant permission to the Study Abroad Office to obtain a copy of my Transcript.
- I grant permission to the Study Abroad Office to check my Financial Aid applications and records.
- I grant permission to the Study Abroad Office to obtain a copy of my Academic Integrity record.
- I grant permission to the Study Abroad Office to consult with the Dean of Students about my Disciplinary record.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## Application Requirements

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Your application must include:

### 1. AN ESSAY

This essay must be a two-page typed document (between 500 and 600 words). Clearly label your essay with your full name on each page.

*Guidelines for the essay:*

- Introduce yourself. Include your personal history and studies at RIC as well as any other institutions you have attended if you are a Transfer Student. Specify if you are part of an underrepresented community (i.e. minorities and/or LGBTQ+ individuals), a first-generation college student and/or if there are any personal, familial or specific circumstances regarding your financial position.
- Explain the way your experience abroad will fit into your academic and career goals by giving details about the country and the program you chose. Mention why you have come to these decisions, including why you became interested in studying abroad in the first place.
- What challenges do you think you will face when traveling abroad? Provide examples of how you plan to overcome them.

### 2. TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Two letters of Recommendation from Rhode Island College faculty members are required and must be emailed to [studyabroad@ric.edu](mailto:studyabroad@ric.edu).

### 3. THE DESTINATION AND DATES OF YOUR STUDY ABROAD & LENGTH OF STUDY

_____	_____	_____
Destination (City, Country)	Program Name	Institution
_____	_____	_____
Date Of Departure	Length of Study	Return Date



4. ESTIMATED BUDGET

Complete the table below with the estimated expenses for your travels abroad. Give as much documentation as possible to support this budget. Consult and seek aid from the Study Abroad Office and the Office of Student Financial Aid at Rhode Island College.

*Estimated Budget*

Expense Description	Study Abroad Program
<b>A. Program Fees</b>	
Tuition or Program cost	
Extra program/service fees (if not included above)	
Program application fees (if not included above)	
<b>B. Housing &amp; Meals</b>	
Housing (if not included in program fee above)	
Meals (if not included in program fee above)	
Other food or housing costs	
<b>C. Travel Documents</b>	
Passport	
Visa or Immigration documents	
International Student ID Card (ISIC)	
Health & travel insurance (if not included in program fee)	
Immunizations (if needed)	
Other	
<b>D. Transportation</b>	
Airfare (if not included in program fee)	
Ground transportation to program site (if not included)	
Daily transportation from housing to school (if not included)	
Transportation for program excursions (if not included)	
Other	
<b>E. Textbooks &amp; Academic supplies</b>	
Textbooks & Academic supplies	
Other	
<b>F. Personal Expenses</b>	
Laundry	
Phone	
Entertainment / Leisure activities	
Medical, prescription, dental, wellness costs	
Emergency funds / contingency funds	
Excursions (not included in the program)	
Other	
<b>TOTAL of Estimated Expenses</b>	



<b>G. Financial Aid, Scholarships, Funding Sources</b>	
Federal Financial Aid (Pell Grant, Student Loans, etc.)	
Other Scholarships	
Other Grants and Loans	
Family Contribution	
Personal Savings	
Other	
<b>SUB TOTAL of Estimated Sources of Funding</b>	
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED from World Connection Scholarship</b>	
<b>TOTAL of estimated income (funding + amount requested):</b>	

For the application to be considered, it must include:  
The essay, two letters of recommendation, and the budget.

*The undersigned acknowledges that the application is complete:*

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*Applicant Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*