

ROTARY AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2013-2014 FOR STUDY ABROAD

The purpose of the Ambassadorial Scholarships program is to further international understanding and friendly relations among people of different countries while pursuing a program of study at an institution of higher education. The program sponsors scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students as well as for qualified professionals pursuing vocational studies. While abroad, scholars serve as ambassadors of goodwill to the people of the host country and give presentations about their homelands to Rotary clubs and other groups. Upon returning home, scholars share with Rotarians and others the experiences that led to greater understanding of their host countries.

Beginning in December 2011, scholarship applications will be available for study abroad during the 2013-2014 academic year. District 6080, situated in central and southern Missouri, welcomes scholarship applications for 2013-2014. Prospective scholars may apply through a local Rotary club near their home or through a club in the community where they are attending a college or university or where they hold employment.

Ambassadorial Scholarships are awarded for one academic year of study abroad in a specific academic field. Applicants are strongly encouraged to support the program objectives of Rotary by choosing a study field that will help address the six humanitarian focus areas:

- 1) Peace and conflict prevention and/or resolution
- 2) Disease prevention and treatment
- 3) Water and sanitation
- 4) Maternal and child health
- 5) Basic education and literacy
- 6) Economic and community development

Because this scholarship is limited to one academic year of study, recipients may not be able to complete the requirements for degrees, certificates, or diplomas during the study period. Rotary scholarships cannot be combined with another study-abroad program, or used for unsupervised research, medical internship or residency, or for employment on a full-time basis in the host country. Applicants must be able to show a strong correlation between their personal educational objectives and Rotary's goals to obtain scholarship funding.

The program provides for a flat grant in the amount of **\$25,000** to pay for tuition, fees, room and board, educational supplies, and round-trip transportation to/from the study site. Scholars whose field of study relates directly to one or more of the six focus areas above may qualify for a larger grant if approved by the Rotary Foundation. Scholars must account for all expenditures and must provide funding to cover all costs that exceed the amount provided by Rotary. Application forms and additional information may be obtained for the 2013-2014 year of study at <http://www.rotary6080.org>, and then by clicking on Educational Programs, then Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships.

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