



GLOBAL NAVIGATOR SCHOLARSHIPS

THE GLOBAL NAVIGATOR SCHOLARSHIP SEEKS TO OPEN A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITY FOR QUALIFIED, PASSIONATE, AND AMBITIOUS U.S. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.

WHAT IS A GLOBAL NAVIGATOR SCHOLARSHIP?

The Global Navigator Scholarships (GNS), available only through CIEE, can cover between 10 and 100% of the tuition for a CIEE High School Summer Abroad program. If you're eager to learn how to navigate a new language, connect with people from a different culture, and impact global issues, this is good news!

Scholarships are awarded based on **Academic Merit + Financial Need** (academic factors like GPA, teacher recommendation, essay question responses, etc. plus financial documentation). Not eligible for need-based scholarships or do your parents not want to share tax information? No problem! **Academic Merit Only** scholarships are available which can cover up to 10% of the program tuition. [Click here to find out which type of scholarship you should apply for.](#)

HOW DO YOU APPLY?

There are two steps required to apply for a Global Navigator Scholarship.

1. **Complete the program application.** Pick your first-choice program and apply now! Make sure you complete all the tasks and press the green "SUBMIT" button.
2. **Complete a scholarship application.** Once you've started your program application, press the "Start a Scholarship Application" button to the right of your to-do list. This will open another tab with tasks to complete. Again, be sure to complete all tasks and press the green "SUBMIT" button.

What's required for the scholarship application, you ask?

- Short answer and essay questions, completed and submitted electronically
- [Teacher recommendation](#), completed and submitted electronically
- (**Academic Merit + Financial Need** applications only) A copy of your parent/guardian(s)'s most recent 1040 U.S. Individual Income Tax Return form, uploaded and submitted electronically. You'll need to enter line 6d (exemptions) and line 37 (adjusted gross income) as well as an estimate of how much your family can realistically contribute to the program tuition – so loop your parent/guardian(s) in on this one! [What do I do if my parent/guardian\(s\) didn't fill out a 1040 form?](#)

WHAT IS THE DEADLINE TO APPLY?

Mark the date! The early application deadline is **December 1, 2016**, 11:59 PM EST.

What's the advantage of applying early?

- Get a better chance of receiving a scholarship!
- Get a better chance of getting a spot on your first choice program!

If you've missed the early application deadline, you have until **February 15, 2017**, 11:59 PM EST. Scholarship applications will not be reviewed if completed after this time.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR A GLOBAL NAVIGATOR SCHOLARSHIP?

U.S. high school students graduating in 2018, 2019, or 2020 (current freshmen, sophomores, and juniors) are eligible to apply. Students must currently be U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent residents.

Qualified applicants will reflect a readiness to work hard, a curiosity about themselves and how they fit into the world, and an eagerness to learn how to navigate a new language, connect with people from a different culture, and impact global issues. The Global Navigator Scholarship is a unique award and these limited scholarships are open to applicants from around the country. The awards are highly selective.

Scholarships may be applied to **only one** program session, so take a look at your school calendar, decide which session works better for you, and only apply for Session I or Session II. (Only select "Session I/Session II" if you're interested in participating in both session I and session II).

Students who received a Global Navigator Scholarship and travelled on a CIEE program in summer 2015 or 2016 are not eligible to apply for another Academic Merit + Financial Need scholarship. They can, however, apply for an Academic Merit Only scholarship and are eligible for a 10% CIEE alumni discount.

WHEN WILL I FIND OUT IF I RECEIVED AN AWARD?

If you apply by the early application deadline of December 1, 2016:

Scholarship notifications and acceptances to the program are sent out on **December 22, 2016**.

Applicants who are awarded scholarships will have until **January 9, 2017** to accept or decline their award.

If you apply by the final deadline of February 15, 2017:

Scholarship notifications are sent out on **March 6, 2017**.

Applicants who are awarded scholarships will have until **March 16, 2017** to accept or decline their award.

If you are applying for an Academic Merit Only award and you have decided you want to go on a program, regardless of whether or not you receive a scholarship award, you may [contact us](#) to have your acceptance be fast-tracked and reserve your spot on program. Programs do fill as deadlines approach.

WHAT DOES THE GLOBAL NAVIGATOR SCHOLARSHIP COVER?

Global Navigator Scholarships cover from 10-100% of the program tuition for a CIEE High School Summer Abroad program. Tuition includes:

- Self-paced, online orientation course
- Pre- and post-tests for language proficiency (*Language & Culture programs*)
- Arrival orientation
- Housing and three meals a day
- Classes
- Cultural activities
- Meet-ups with local teens
- Day trips and excursions while on-site

- [iNext](#) Insurance
- 24/7 Support from your CIEE program leaders, in-country staff members, and Support staff based in Portland, Maine
- In-country transportation
- Local cell phone (*most programs*)

The Global Navigator Scholarship does NOT cover:

- [Airfare](#)
- Passport fees (*if you need to renew or apply for a new passport*)
- Visa fees (*only applicable for CIEE programs in China, Dominican Republic, or Ghana*)
- Additional food outside of the provided meals
- Overweight baggage fees
- Personal spending money
- Immunization and vaccines (*if applicable*)

ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

1. Is there a fee to apply for the scholarship?

No, there is not an additional fee when applying for the scholarship. However, there is a non-refundable \$25 application fee for the program, which must be submitted by the deadline with the program application.

2. What is a 1040 tax form and why does CIEE require it?



A 1040 U.S. Individual Income Tax Return form is the income tax return filed annually by employed citizens and residents of the United States. The 1040 form is a required part of the GNS application as it allows CIEE to evaluate financial need. We take into account the salary(s) of the parent/guardian(s) and the number of dependents they are supporting. Please visit <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f1040.pdf> to see a copy of the form. We pay particular attention to lines 6d (exemptions) and 37 (adjusted gross income).

3. My parent/guardian(s) didn't fill out a 1040 form this year. What should I submit for the financial information section?

If your parent/guardian(s) didn't fill in their 1040 for 2015, you can submit the most recent one they've completed (2014, for example). If your parent/guardian(s) are not required by the IRS to complete a 1040 form, you will need to provide documentation indicating the number of people in your household and the income (SSI, salaries, etc.) your household earns. If this applies to you, please confirm with us that your documentation is sufficient in advance of the deadline by sending to hsabroad@ciee.org.

4. I applied for a scholarship last year but didn't receive one. May I apply again?

Yes, we encourage you to apply again for a Global Navigator Scholarship if you still meet the [eligibility requirements](#)!

5. Am I eligible to apply again if I was awarded a Global Navigator Scholarship last year but declined it before the accept/decline deadline?

Yes, if you still meet the [eligibility requirements](#) you may apply for a scholarship for summer 2017.

6. I received a scholarship in 2015 or 2016 and participated or cancelled after the accept/decline deadline. May I apply again?

You are not eligible for an Academic Merit + Financial Need award, but you are eligible to apply for an Academic Merit Only award. If you are an alum of a CIEE program you are also eligible for a 10% discount off of the program tuition!

7. Am I committed to the program when I apply?

No, you are not committed to the program until you formally accept the scholarship offer and confirm your participation on the program. Applying for a scholarship is non-binding. You will have around ten days after you receive notice of your award to confirm your decision with CIEE, which will allow you time to assess with your family whether you can participate. Basically, it can't hurt to apply!

8. If I receive a partial scholarship, how do I pay for the remaining balance?

If you choose to accept the partial scholarship, you will owe CIEE a \$1,000 deposit at the time of confirmation (or the balance of the program if the remaining balance after the award is applied is less than \$1,000), and the remaining balance by the payment deadline of April 15, 2016.

It's important to keep in mind there are additional costs involved in studying abroad, such as airfare, passport, and visa fees that are not covered by tuition and therefore are not covered by the scholarship.

9. Which is more important – merit or financial need?

Both are considered equally when awarding scholarships. If you do not have financial need but are a qualified candidate, you can apply for an Academic Merit Only award, which can cover up to 10% of program tuition.

10. Is there a minimum GPA requirement to apply?

No, there is not a minimum GPA requirement.

11. Who can I ask to write my teacher recommendation?

Your teacher recommendation can be written by any teacher who has had you in class for at least one year and is not related to you. It does not necessarily need to be the language/subject teacher related to the CIEE program for which you are applying. Instead, we want you to choose the teacher that knows you the best and is able to write a thorough and accurate recommendation. For example, if your first choice program is [French Language & Culture in Toulouse, France](#) you don't have to pick your French teacher if your English teacher knows you better. If you are a freshman, or new to your school, pick a teacher that has you in class at least 3 times per week.

Remember it is your responsibility to check with your teacher and make sure they received the recommendation form from CIEE (sent by email) and that they complete the recommendation by the deadline.

PLEASE VISIT WWW.CIEE.ORG/HIGH-SCHOOL-SUMMER-ABROAD/SCHOLARSHIPS/ OR CONTACT CIEE AT HSABROAD@CIEE.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE GLOBAL NAVIGATOR SCHOLARSHIP.