

By the End of October:

- Contact WOU Study Abroad and make an appointment to talk with them about the application process
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- Contact financial aid and make an appointment to discuss funding options for study abroad
- Explore options for scholarships. There are many currently available now for next summer. Don't wait to look! Many of the application deadlines for these programs are fast approaching. Look for scholarships associated with study abroad, science, STEM, or other programs that you might qualify for (ie Women in STEM, underrepresented minority scholarships, financial need scholarships, etc). Be sure to explore all the available scholarships offered through WOU! Check your eligibility through the WOU Portal System. (<http://www.wou.edu/finaid/scholarships/>)

By the End of November:

- Submit your program application to the WOU Study Abroad Office

During Winter and Spring Terms:

- Obtain or renew your passport if you do not have one that has an expiration date of Feb, 2018 or later (By the end of Winter Term!)
- Attend travel preparation meetings as scheduled
- Participate in fundraising opportunities
- Schedule a physical with your doctor and obtain any needed vaccinations/medicines (by April, 2020)

Potential Scholarship Sites:

1. ACS Chemistry Scholars Program (URM-specific; Chemistry; Freshmen-Junior Status)

<https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/funding-and-awards/scholarships/acsscholars/apply.html>

2. URM Scholarship opportunities:

<http://sites.ed.gov/whhbcu/2013/11/21/scholarship-opportunities-for-minority-students/>

3. Multiple Study Abroad Scholarships Website:

<https://www.gooverseas.com/blog/65-study-abroad-grants-and-scholarships>

4. NAFSA Study Abroad Scholarships Website (Multiple opportunities here)

[http://www.nafsa.org/About Us/About International Education/For Students/U S Study Abroad Scholarships and Grants List/](http://www.nafsa.org/About_Us/About_International_Education/For_Students/U_S_Study_Abroad_Scholarships_and_Grants_List/)

5. Multiple study abroad scholarship opportunities

<http://www.goabroad.com/articles/scholarships-abroad/45-scholarships-for-study-abroad-around-the-world>

6. Multiple opportunities for STEM

<http://www.fastweb.com/college-scholarships/articles/stem-field-scholarships-and-internships>