

## Study Abroad/Away Scholarship Service Requirement

## As a scholarship recipient, you are required to participate in a study abroad/away related service activity or project during or after your experience which will be tracked by the Study Abroad & Away Office.

The goal of your service requirement is to share your experience and help promote Study Abroad & Away to other TU students. You have several options to fulfill your obligations. **Please choose one of the options below.** If you have questions about any of these options, please contact our office.

NOTE: Students who receive the *TU Institutional Diversity Study Abroad Scholarship* are asked to complete their service requirement in a way that provides outreach to underrepresented groups in study abroad. Please contact the Study Abroad & Away Office for more information and outreach ideas.

## **Service Requirement Options:**

- Takeover one of our social media accounts for a day (or more) OR submit 8 eye-catching photos for sharing on social media. Email them to <u>studyabroad@towson.edu</u> with captions. Send the highest resolution possible; TU student email may not support large attachments, so you may send through Gmail or another server.
- 2. Submit a post for our office blog.
  - a. Write your own story reflecting on a memory or your experience. Send the story (with photos) to <u>studyabroad@towson.edu</u> and we will review, make any edits as needed, and publish.
    - b. Answer a brief Q&A, questions included below. We will draft the post based on your answers.
      - i. Name, major, grad year, hometown, destination abroad, term abroad, program abroad.
      - ii. Provide 3-5 photos of your experience with captions. You're welcome to include photos that you're in, or landscapes of the places you've been. Bonus points if you capture a photo that is academic in nature (i.e. classroom setting, research project, intern placement, a picture of you studying).
      - iii. How did you choose your location for study abroad?
      - iv. Did your experiences abroad met your expectations? Exceeded them?
      - v. Talk about your favorite spot in your home away from home. Where? Why?
      - vi. You could hardly believe your eyes when you saw ... What? Why?
      - vii. What challenged you while you were abroad? Why?
      - viii. What would you say to students worried / concerned / afraid of studying abroad?
  - b. Create a brief (1-2 minute) and engaging video to illustrate your experience. The video may be shared on social media.
- 3. Volunteer for a Study Abroad & Away campus event. These include but are not limited to the Study Abroad & Away Fair, TU Open House events, information sessions, advising events, tabling, etc. We may put a call out via email for volunteers, but you are welcome to reach out with an idea on how you can help.
- 4. Participate in a student panel during a pre-departure orientation, International Education Week session, or at a Career Services event.
- 5. Get permission from one of your professors to give a classroom presentation on your experience. We'll need to see an email from the professor to confirm.
- 6. Contact a student group or organization to give a presentation on your experience. We'll need to see an email from a member of the executive board of the group to confirm.
- 7. Submit an article to The Towerlight about your experience.
- 8. Do your own thing! New and creative ideas are welcomed and encouraged. Have an interest in doing something not listed above? Email <a href="mailto:studyabroad@towson.edu">studyabroad@towson.edu</a> for approval of additional service requirement activities!