

First Abroad Planning Scholarship

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is the eligibility criteria for the First Abroad Planning Scholarship?

Your first semester at UT will be Fall 2021. You were admitted to UT from high school (not a transfer student). Neither of your parents has received a 4-year college degree. You haven't studied abroad before with a UT program. You are not a Hutchison Scholar.

Am I eligible if I have dual credit from high school?

You are still eligible for this scholarship. First Abroad scholars will discuss dual credit with their advisor during their advising appointments.

Is there a GPA requirement for this scholarship?

There is no minimum GPA requirement to be eligible for the scholarship. However, you must be in good academic standing to go abroad.

How do I know if I am considered a first-generation college student? I have a sibling in college, am I still a first-generation student?

You are a first-generation student if neither parent has received a 4-year degree, regardless of whether you have siblings in college.

Why aren't I eligible if I have been abroad before?

Our goal is to increase access to education abroad to all students and maintain equitable practices. The scholarship is open to first-time participants so that we are able to maximize access to education abroad.

Are there any restrictions on what types of programs this scholarship can be used for?

The First Abroad Scholarship can be used toward any [UT approved education abroad program](#) including Texas Global sponsored internship. The scholarship cannot be used on abroad programs that are less than 3 weeks.

What other scholarships or resources are available for first-generation students?

UT awards over \$1.2 million dollars in scholarship money a year to students. In addition, UT students do well in scholarship competitions like the [Benjamin A. Gilman Scholarship Program](#). Visit the [Get Funding](#) section of our website to learn more.