

Policy for Awarding Scholarship for Language Intensive Programs

Eligible Applicants:

1. Students who enroll in and successfully complete language intensive programs during the semester and who participate in the abroad program during the intersession or summer.
2. The students must file for financial aid and demonstrate financial need as determined by the Federal Government and Bard College.
3. The students must be financially cleared by the Student Accounts Office before the award will be applied to their accounts.
4. The students must be in good academic standing to qualify for a scholarship.

Awarding the Scholarship:

1. The Financial Aid Office, in consultation with the Controller's Office and the Dean of the College, would first determine the cost of the program: typically, tuition, living expenses, transportation, and administrative fees.
2. The maximum award will amount to 60% of the costs. An award schedule will be established for awards based on the Family Contribution, as calculated by the federal processor and Bard College. Only students currently receiving scholarship from Bard during the academic year will be considered for these awards.
3. The program director should forward to the Financial Aid Office a list of the students who are interested in participating in the intersession or summer portion of the program.
4. The students will receive written notification of the scholarship amount that must be signed and returned to indicate acceptance of the award. These notices will be sent out in the middle of the semester prior to the abroad portion of the language program.
5. When the Student Accounts Office has notified the Financial Aid Office that the student is financially cleared, and the charges for the program are on the student's account, then the Financial Aid Office will disburse the aid to the student's account.

Policy:

1. A student must file the financial aid forms and demonstrate financial need as reflected above, must successfully complete the regular semester's intensive program, and must be financially cleared to be eligible for the language intensive award.
2. No student receiving a merit based award (i.e. Excellence and Equal Cost Scholarship, Distinguished Scientist Scholarship, Levy Economics Scholarship or Presidential Scholarship), without filing for financial aid and demonstrating need, will be considered for a language intensive award.
3. If the student does not incur the typical costs for the program upon which the initial award was based, the award will be adjusted in accord with incurred costs.
4. No student will be offered financial aid for the intersession or summer component, if s/he did not participate in the semester's intensive language program.
5. No student will be offered the scholarship if they will graduate prior to the intersession or summer portion of the intensive.
6. Students may appeal for reconsideration of the scholarship offer by providing a written notice of appeal to the Financial Aid Office.