

SEE-Beyond AWARDS

Summer Educational Experiences – Learning Beyond Campus

APPLICATION PROCESS

Award Competition: SEE-Beyond Awards invite students to explore new techniques, technologies, or modes of inquiry or expression; to apply their academic-year learning to real-world challenges; and to clarify the interrelationship between their educational and post-baccalaureate goals. Awards may be used to support:

- field or laboratory research in an area of the student's choice, with the permission of the host institution and research sponsor;
- internships with clearly defined learning goals that complement the student's academic plan;
- artistic residencies, workshops, apprenticeships, or productions.

This list is not exhaustive nor is it meant to be prescriptive. Unless otherwise stated by the chairperson or director of your department or program, *any experience that puts your classroom learning into practice or that deepens your knowledge or understanding of the discipline may be supported.* We ask that you think meaningfully and creatively about the type of experience that you pursue. The SEE-Beyond web page provides past award examples as well as additional resources in some departments and programs.

Awardees will receive a **\$4,000** stipend for a significant summer experience of 6 –10 weeks. Experiences of shorter duration will be considered with proper justification. Funds may be used at the student's discretion to cover participation fees or tuition, travel expenses, and summer room and board. SEE-Beyond Awards may be used to access opportunities anywhere in the world, except in countries with State Department travel warnings or advisories. SEE-Beyond Awards may not be used to fund job shadowing opportunities, work experience of little academic value, or summer student-faculty research at Skidmore. Students receiving a SEE-Beyond Award agree to reflect on learning outcomes by way of a final written report.

Eligibility: Students must be enrolled full-time and be in good academic, social, and financial standing with the College. International students should check with Student Academic Services before applying to identify any requirements they need to meet to qualify for this award. *These awards cannot be combined with other funded experiential learning opportunities at Skidmore.*

Application Process: Complete applications must be submitted to the appropriate Department Chairperson or Program Director by **5PM on Friday, 29 March.**

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL LATE PROPOSALS BE ACCEPTED!

Please submit:

1. Complete **Application Form.**

2. Application Essay- Attach a brief essay (2-3 pages; typed) describing the relevance of the experience to your educational goals. Describe your preparation for the experience and how the experience will enhance your liberal arts education. You must also provide a specific description of the activities and responsibilities associated with the experience. This application process is competitive, and your essay will be judged on the quality and clarity of the writing. No vague or poorly written proposals will be accepted.

3. Supervisor's Statement: An on-site supervisor or sponsor must confirm your acceptance into the program, organization, or institution and indicate his or her support for the learning goals you describe. If final acceptance has not been obtained prior to 29 March, the application will still be considered. Should your proposal be selected for funding, you will have until Friday, 19 April to confirm acceptance.

Selection Criteria:

1. Quality of the Application Essay
2. Substance and rigor of the experience
3. Consistency of the experience with the student's academic goals and degree of preparation

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APPLICATION FORM

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Student's Name: _____ Class Year: _____

Major(s): _____ Minor(s): _____

Are you an International Student (Please check one): ☐ Yes ☐ No

Cell Phone: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Faculty Advisor: _____ Dept/Prgm: _____

Most Recent GPA: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

Descriptive Title of Experience: _____

On-Site Supervisor (name and title): _____

Name of Organization or Institution: _____

Address of Organization or Institution: _____

Phone: _____ FAX: _____ E-Mail: _____

Dates of involvement in the experience: Begin: ____/____/____ Conclude: ____/____/____

Total number of weeks for the experience: _____

Estimated number of hours per week: _____

Please indicate whether you receive financial aid: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you applying to any other awards, stipends, grants or loans? _____

Have you submitted this same proposal to another department/program? _____

Have you submitted a different proposal (for SEE-Beyond) to another department/program? _____

Have you received a SEE-Beyond award in the past? _____