

# **SEE-Beyond AWARDS**

## **Summer Educational Experiences – Learning Beyond Campus**

### **2019 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 7 –10 weeks.**

Experiences of shorter duration may be considered with proper justification, but please note that this is a competitive award and proposals are evaluated with regard to the substance and rigor of the proposed experience. 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. We also encourage recipients to work with their nominating department or program to highlight their experience to other majors, minors, and the community as appropriate.

**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 **no later than noon on Friday, 22 March. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL LATE PROPOSALS BE ACCEPTED!** Departments and programs forward the top proposals to the second-round of competition. Students will be notified no later than **12 April** of their status.

**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/Sponsor 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 22 March, the application will still be considered. Should your proposal be selected for funding, you will have until Friday, 12 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

*Note that individual departments and programs may have additional criteria for selection; please consult with the Chair or Program Director with specific questions.*

# SEE-Beyond Award

## 2019 APPLICATION FORM

All applications must be submitted to the appropriate  
Department Chairperson or Program Director by noon on Friday, 22 March.

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Major(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Minor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

*If you are a double major/minor, please note that you can only submit this proposal to one department or program for SEE-Beyond consideration.*

Please indicate the department or program (including HPAC or MDOCS) that you are applying to for SEE-Beyond:

\_\_\_\_\_

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 (please remember that the criteria is 7-10 weeks):

\_\_\_\_\_

Estimated number of hours per week: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate whether you receive financial aid:  Yes  No

Are you being paid for this experience?  Yes  No If yes, how much? \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note that we are unlikely to fund a paid experience unless the amount is nominal.*

Are you applying to any other awards, stipends, grants or loans?  Yes  No

If yes, which? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received a SEE-Beyond award in the past?  Yes  No