

Study Abroad Scholarships for High School Students www.studyabroadscholarships.org

LONG-TERM EXCHANGEs...

usually last one academic year, during which you attend school and live with families in your host country. To gain a greater understanding of the culture, you will live with at least two host families during your stay. To ensure your safety, the host Rotary club carefully screens and selects all host families. Additionally, the local host Rotary club pays you a monthly stipend and assigns a dedicated counselor to help you get the most out of your exchange.

ELIGIBILITY

Rotary Youth Exchange programs are open to students ages 15-18 ½ prior to departure. To qualify, applicants should be above-average students who have demonstrated leadership in their community. Candidates should also possess qualities such as flexibility and a willingness to try new things that will enable them to fully experience life in another country and become excellent cultural ambassadors. All applicants must be sponsored by a local Rotary club and complete a written application and in-person interview.



PROGRAM COST

The program is completely administered by Rotary club members, keeping program expenses low. Costs vary depending on the district and country where the exchange occurs, so contact your local club or district for specific information. Typically, students and their parents or guardians are expected to cover the following expenses:

- Round-trip airfare
- Travel insurance that includes medical, accident, and illness coverage and meets the requirements of host clubs and districts
- Travel documents (passports and visas)
- Spending money, ancillary travel, and tours
- Language camp or cultural orientation
- Emergency fund for unexpected expenses

Scholarship covers room, board, tuition, and a monthly stipend – valued over \$24,000.

HOW TO APPLY

Rotary Youth Exchanges are administered locally and all applicants must be sponsored by a local Rotary club and district. Rotary clubs exist in most countries and geographical areas, and Youth Exchanges take place in nearly all of them. Each Rotary district has their own application process. Visit www.studyabroadscholarships.org and use the "Contact Us" form to be connected to a knowledgeable Rotarian in your geographical area.

WHAT IS ROTARY?

Rotary is a global network of over 35,000 clubs that bring together business, professional, and community leaders who provide humanitarian service to build goodwill and peace around the world. Dedicated Rotarians coordinate about 9,000 student exchanges per year and do not discriminate based on race, gender, sexual orientation or identity, religion, or socioeconomic status. For more information about Rotary, visit Rotary International at www.rotary.org.

STATEMENT OF CONDUCT FOR WORKING WITH YOUTH

Rotary International strives to create and maintain a safe environment for all youth who participate in Rotary activities. To the best of their ability, Rotarians, Rotarians' spouses and partners, and other volunteers must safeguard the children and young people they come into contact with and protect them from physical, sexual, and emotional abuse.