# UMass Boston Study Abroad Financial Aid Guide



# Contact Details

Financial Aid: finaidstudyabroad@umb.edu

Bursars Office: Bursar@umb.edu

Office of Global Programs: studyabroad@umb.edu

Your financial aid awards may be revised once the Acceptance Letter, the Prior Approval form and the Consortium Agreement have been sent in. See below for a list of which awards are eligible for each type of Study Abroad program.

#### Semester/ Year-Long Programs: UMass Boston Exchange Programs

Details: For Reciprocal Exchange Programs, UMass Boston exchange students pay their tuition and curriculum fee to UMass Boston, not to the host university.

Financial Award Name	Eligibility
Federal Work Study	Ineligible
John & Abigail Adams Tuition Credit	Eligible
Need Based & Other Tuition Credits	Eligible
UMass Boston Merit Scholarships	Eligible
UMass Grant	Eligible
Mass Grant & Mass Cash Grant	Eligible
Federal Pell Grant	Eligible
Federal SEOG Grant	Eligible
Federal Direct Sub/ Unsub Loans	Eligible

#### Semester/ Year-Long Programs: UMass Boston Direct Study Programs

**Details:** Specific third-party study abroad companies/organizations/ universities (providers). Students do not pay UMass Boston tuition, and instead are charged tuition & fees by the program/university abroad.

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Federal Work Study	Ineligible
John & Abigail Adams Tuition Credit	Ineligible
Need Based & Other Tuition Credits	Ineligible
UMass Boston Merit Scholarships	Ineligible
UMass Grant	Eligible
Mass Grant & Mass Cash Grant	Eligible
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## Additional Financing Options for Exchange & Direct Study Programs

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Federal Direct Parent Plus Loan	Eligible, Subject to Approved Credit Check
Private Loans	Eligible, Subject to Approved Credit Check

## Important Information

✓ Financial aid won't be disbursed until after your enrollment verification has been confirmed by the Host Institution and signed. This will occur AFTER you are abroad. You will need to cover your study abroad expenses out of pocket until that time.

 $\checkmark$  The financial aid office can issue a letter for you stating estimated financial aid for the upcoming semester abroad. This may be submitted to your program to see if they are able to wait for payment of your tuition/fees until your aid has been dispersed.

 $\checkmark$  Once your enrollment has been confirmed and the UMass Boston add/drop period has passed, your financial aid will be disbursed.

 $\checkmark$  The Bursar's Office requires an invoice from students in a Direct Study Abroad program before they will release the funds.

✓ Make arrangements with the Bursar's office for the disbursement of your check(s) - or enroll in <u>Direct deposit</u>. Direct Deposit is highly recommended to expedite receiving your financial aid while abroad.

# **Required Documents**

If you wish to use financial aid for your study abroad program, you must provide the following documents to the Financial Aid Office: <u>finaidstudyabroad@umb.edu</u>

Before Departure			
Documents	Details	Time	
Acceptance Letter Copy	An email or pdf acceptance letter to your study abroad program abroad, issued by your program or host university abroad	as soon as you receive it	
Request for Prior Approval Form	A completed and signed request for prior approval form, signed by admissions and the study abroad coordinator	financial aid will be copied on all completed prior approval forms. Every course on your enrollment verification MUST be approved on a prior approval form.	
Consortium Agreement Form	The consortium agreement page #1 is filled out by the student. The budget page #2 is filled out by host university/ program provider for all direct study programs, or by the Office of Global Programs for exchange programs	Once you are accepted, you can request your program provider (direct) to fill out page 2 or the Office of Global Programs (exchange) to provide the budget sheet to the Office of Global Programs via email to studyabroad@umb.edu	
Study Abroad Invoice	The Bursar's Office requires an invoice from students in a Direct Study Abroad program before they will release the funds.	Once accepted for direct study programs request an invoice for your program. Send invoice to finaidstudyabroad@umb.edu	
While Abroad			
Enrollment Verification	signed by your university/ program advisor AFTER you arrive on the program abroad.	Send the signed form to studyabroad@umb.edu & finaidstudyabroad@umb.edu	